

# Kennedy Klips

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## Minnesota is Sixth in Overall Health per America's 2014 Health Rankings

**Minnesota drops from third in 2013, but still leads nation in lowest rate of cardiovascular deaths**

Minnesota places sixth among all 50 states for overall health according to the latest edition of America's Health Rankings, a national comparative health index sponsored by the United Health Foundation (UHF) in partnership with the American Public Health Association and Partnership for Prevention.

Minnesota dropped to sixth in 2014 after ranking third in both 2013 and 2012. However, the index shows Minnesota continues to lead the nation in the fewest cardiovascular deaths per 100,000 people, and ranks second in fewest days of poor physical health and second in fewest years lost due to premature death per 100,000 people. The state ranks fourth among all states for health insurance coverage, and for fewest days of poor mental health. Minnesota also earns praise for its low rates of diabetes and drug-related deaths. The full report, along with state-specific data, is available online at <http://www.americashealthrankings.org>.

The report highlights a number of ongoing challenges for Minnesota, including persistent disparities in health status among racial groups, a high percentage of adults engaging in binge drinking, and low per capita public health investment.

America's Health Rankings is the longest running comparative health index of states. It uses measures of behavior, community and environment, public and health policies, clinical care and health outcomes to describe the health and wellness of each state compared to all other states. The Rankings are updated each year to provide a perspective on change in health over the last 24 years.

Data from a number of sources including the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the American Medical Association, the U.S. Department of Education and the Census Bureau was used to compile the rankings. The report is reviewed and overseen by a Scientific Advisory Committee, with members from leading academic institutions, government agencies and the private sector.

Provided by Minnesota Department of Health  
*Protecting, Maintaining and Improving the Health of all Minnesotans*

## Calendar

**FREE Blood Pressure Tests**

**Foot Care \$10**

Thursday, February 5, 2015, 10:00 a.m.

At the Kennedy Community Center.

**Thirsty Thursdays**

Every Thursday, 5:00—7:30 p.m.

Fried Chicken

At the Kennedy Café...Take-out available.

**Fish Fry Friday**

February 6, 2015, 5:00—7:30 p.m.

Pan Fried *or* Deep Fried Walleye

Salad Bar, Bread and Choice of Potato

At the Kennedy Café...Take-out available.

**City Council Meeting**

Monday, February 9, 2015, 7 p.m.

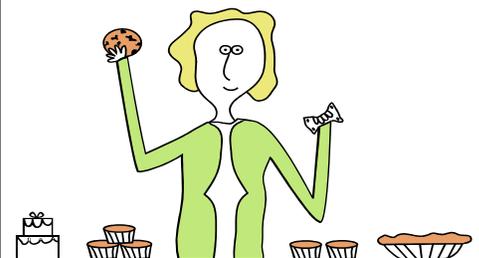
At the City Office.

Public is encouraged to attend.

**KENNEDY COMMUNITY CENTER  
SATURDAY BREAKFAST**

February 14, 2015, 7:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

(Café will be Closed)



## BAKE SALE

**Baking Brigade Bake Sale**

February 14, 2015

Saturday 7:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

At the Kennedy Community Center.

**PRESIDENTS DAY HOLIDAY**

Monday, February 16, 2015

City Office and Shop Closed.

**DELINQUENT WATER BILLS DUE**

Tuesday, February 17, 2015, 2 p.m.

At the City Office.

**WATER DISCONNECTION DAY**

For All Delinquent Accounts

Wednesday, February 18, 2015, 8 a.m.



*Join Us Valentine's Day  
for Dinner  
at the Kennedy Café!*

*Entrees To Be Announced*

*Sewing from 5:00-8:00 p.m. • 218-674-4500 for Details*

# City of Kennedy 2015 Fee Increases

At the January 2015 Kennedy City Council meeting, the council voted on and passed the fee schedule for the year 2015. As always, the council is committed to keeping all fees as low as possible while best positioning the city to meet its financial obligations.

Kennedy's water supplier, North Kittson Rural Water, put into effect a five percent (5%) rate increase in July 2014 and a three percent (3%) rate increase effective January 2015. Additionally, the city has new biannual payments on the \$26,000 loan from last summer's water project. These were some of the factors used to determine if fee increases were required.

The council voted to only increase two fees for the year 2015. The Water Connection Fee has been increased from \$20 to \$40. And, gallons of water used after the first 1000 have been increased from \$8.75/1000 to \$9.45/1000. These rate increases were effective January 15, 2015, and have been applied to this month's bill.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meatball Supper

**Saturday, March 7, 2015  
4:00 - 8:00 P.M.  
At the Kennedy Community Center**

Meatballs, mashed potatoes,  
candied carrots, fresh baked buns,  
salad, beverage and dessert.

Adults \$11.00 Children \$6.00

Take-out and delivery available.

All proceeds go to the Kennedy Community Center.

## Kennedy's Rink is Open for Business

The Kennedy outdoor ice rink is open and free to the public. The only rules are those of common courtesy and consideration. Please respect the property and leave the premises in good order. Contact the city shop if there is anything more we can do.

## Snow Day Reminder

**Please move all vehicles, trailers, etc. off of city streets** before, during, or following a snowfall, so the plow can do its job. Also, please remember to blow your snow into your yard and not onto City streets. The City thanks you for your cooperation.

## Interested in Meals on Wheels?

Call the city office at 218-674-4142.



## February

- 1<sup>st</sup> Gail Larson
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Mary Ann Petersburg
- 4<sup>th</sup> Jason Bowles  
Mary Lundberg
- 5<sup>th</sup> Steffen Snare
- 7<sup>th</sup> Greg Bogestad  
Jesse Stark  
Rod Stark
- 11<sup>th</sup> Patti Swanson
- 13<sup>th</sup> Milt Elhard
- 14<sup>th</sup> Trevor Deere
- 15<sup>th</sup> Kay Hultgren  
Cindy Gunnarson
- 16<sup>th</sup> Doug Turn
- 17<sup>th</sup> Isaac Gustafson
- 18<sup>th</sup> Crusita Ayala
- 19<sup>th</sup> Randy Knutson
- 20<sup>th</sup> Erin Fletcher Langen
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Jim Larson
- 27<sup>th</sup> Alexis Turn
- 28<sup>th</sup> Brent Thorsteinson  
J.P. Mortenson  
Ava Mortenson

## The Market Place

CALL CITY OFFICE AT 218-674-4142 FOR DETAILS

### FOR SALE

**SMALL METAL ADULT DESK** in good condition, only \$25.

**KENNEDY 125th T-SHIRTS** only \$10 each!

**HOT DISH HEAVEN** and **A SECOND HELPING** fictitious, humorous mysteries set in Kennedy and a fun read at \$16 each, or two for \$29.

**GREETING CARDS**, one-of-a-kind, handmade, Kennedy and occasion cards, \$6 each or 4 for \$20.

**KENNEDY YOUTH BASEBALL CAPS** and **KENNEDY COTTON SHOPPING BAGS**, were \$20/each, now only \$16/each or two for \$30.

**ANDERSON'S ORANGE GARBAGE BAGS** are available at the City Office during business hours. If you are unable to get to the office during business hours, or have a difficult time getting around, contact us at the number above and we will deliver the bags to you.

### FOR RENT

**BUS GARAGE STALLS** \$600/year. **COLD STORAGE ROOMS** rate dependent on size.

## Thank You!

### Kennedy Community Center Donors:

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Karen & Kelly Erickson