



Fall/Winter 2014

CITY INSIGHTS

MOORHEAD MINNESOTA

Greater Moorhead Days September 4-13



Koo Koo Kanga Roo Show

When: Thursday, September 4 at 7 pm

Where: Moorhead Center Mall

Details: A must see show for both kids and adults. The show is centered on acting silly, dancing as hard as you can, and having fun! Enjoy dinner specials at Godfather's Pizza before the show.

M|State Greater Moorhead Days Parade

When: Friday, September 5 at 6 pm

Where: Parade starts at M|State and heads north on 20th St. to 8th Ave.

Roots on the Red Music Festival

When: Saturday, September 6 and Sunday, September 7 from 11 am-10 pm

Where: Bluestem Amphitheater

Details: A family friendly celebration. Full details and tickets available at www.rootsonthered.com.

Help celebrate our town with Greater Moorhead Days! Join us for a week packed with fun and exciting events for all!



Miss Moorhead Pageant

When: Saturday, September 6 at 7 pm

Where: Location TBA

Details: See the crowning of Miss Moorhead, Miss Moorhead Outstanding Teen, and Moorhead Princesses during this scholarship pageant. Tickets are \$15 and available at the door.

Medallion Hunt

When: Begins Monday, September 8

Details: All medallions will be hidden within city limits. Follow the clues for fantastic prizes, including a \$1,000 gift card to Hornbacher's! Clue boards will be located at the Moorhead Library, the Moorhead Hornbacher's, the Hjemkomst Center, and Moorhead Center Mall.

Kids Fest

When: Monday, September 8 from 5:30-7:30 pm

Where: Gooseberry Park

Details: Join us for kid friendly fun with a Penny and Pals performance, face painting, inflatable games, pony rides, a clown, balloon animals, and more!

Wings & Wheels Fly-In and Car Show

When: Saturday, September 13 from 8 am-2 pm

Where: Moorhead Municipal Airport (Exit 6 on I94)

Details: Pancake breakfast from 8 am – noon. Aircraft displays, youth airplane rides, sky dive jump at noon, RC Flyers demo, and the Fargo Custom Car Show. For more information, call **218.287.1400**.

CITY OFFICIALS

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218.299.5307

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MATBUS

Try MATBUS Week



We invite everyone to Try MATBUS this week!

October 20-25

- Half-fare rides all week (75 cents/adults, 40 cents/youth, senior citizens and persons with disabilities.)
- Drawing to win MATBUS t-shirts
- Tuesday, October 21—Free popcorn and refreshments at the Ground Transportation Center (502 NP Avenue, Fargo)
- Tuesday, October 21—FARE-FREE DAY for fixed routes to all passengers

New technology gets you there!

Never miss a trip with MATBUSMobile.com - the Fargo-Moorhead metro's live bus tracker! This tool, accessible from your web browser, will show you the exact position of your bus in real time. Select the route you need, along with your specific bus stop, to see what time the vehicle will arrive. In bad weather, you can stay inside until you know the bus is nearby - no more standing out in the cold for any longer than you need to! www.MATBUSMobile.com helps get riders in the F-M metro where they need to go. Try it out today!



iGoEco Challenge with Liddy's Lessons

When: September 8-November 2

Learn a lesson from your new friend Liddy, and Go Eco. Give up your car for a more eco-friendly mode of transportation for at least a trip once every two weeks. It's all about carpooling, MATBUSing, walking, biking, skateboarding or rollerblading.

- First 250 people to sign up get a MATBUS glass premium water bottle
- Gifts valued at over \$500 each
- Grand Prize - 50" flat-screen TV donated by Gate City Bank

To register, go to www.iGoEcoChallenge.com

Other MATBUS Events

- **Sep 1, Labor Day:** No Bus Service
- **Sep 8-Nov 2:** MATBUS iGoEco-Challenge
- **Oct 20-25:** Try MATBUS Week (Half fare rides all week on fixed route and free rides on Tuesday!)
- **Nov 11, Veterans Day:** No Bus Service
- **Nov 25:** Holiday Lights Parade
- **Nov 27, Thanksgiving Day:** No Bus Service
- **Nov 28-29 and every Sat in Dec:** Half-Fare Days on MATBUS
- **Dec 24, Christmas Eve:** All MATBUS Routes ending early
- **Dec 25, Christmas Day:** No Bus Service

CodeRED

CodeRED emergency/non-emergency calls to the residents of Cass and Clay Counties will now come from local phone numbers.

CodeRED emergency: **701.364.CODE (2633)**

CodeRED non-emergency: **701.364.1277**

CodeRED weather will remain the same, **800.566.9780**

Residents are encouraged to enter these phone numbers into their mobile phones with easy to recognize IDs, such as "CodeRED emergency" and "CodeRED non-emergency," so they appear prominently when a call arrives.



Looking For More Energy-saving Answers?

"Bright Ideas!" is a FREE e-newsletter brought to you by your community-owned electric and water utility—Moorhead Public Service. You'll get energy-saving tips and tools to help you choose appliances and equipment as well as great information about energy efficiency and the Bright Energy Solutions® appliance rebate program. Go to www.MPSUtility.com and click on "Sign Up for Bright Ideas!"

You can also receive energy-saving tips, news, and updates at www.facebook.com/MPSUtility.



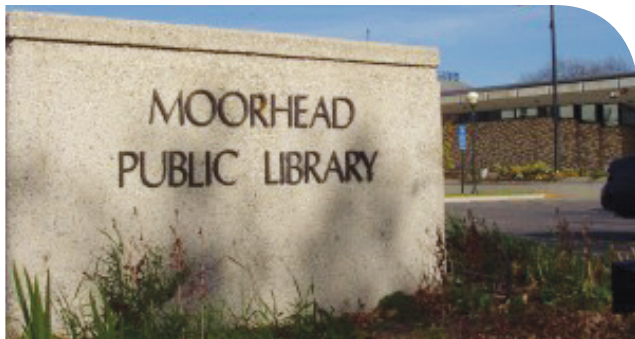
VISIT THE LIBRARY TODAY!

Our Collection

The Lake Agassiz Regional Library (LARL) is a progressive regional library system. In addition to our print books, DVDs, magazines and music CDs, LARL offers eBooks and eAudiobooks through a subscription service called OverDrive, or the "Lake Agassiz Digital Library." Looking for eMagazines? Try Zinio, a subscription service offering digital access to popular magazines covering pop culture, cooking, science, news topics, and much more. These resources are compatible with many mobile devices and are available anywhere with an internet connection.

Our Activities

Whether you're looking for information or entertainment, the Moorhead branch of the Lake Agassiz Regional Library has lots to offer! Come read the morning paper, use a public computer, or simply sit and enjoy a free cup of coffee. Our knowledgeable and friendly staff host a myriad of free programs and events for all ages and backgrounds including basic computer classes, craft skillshares, book clubs, storytimes, concerts, and movie screenings. For more information, check out our online event calendar at www.larl.org/events today!



Contact Information

For more information, call **218.233.7594** or visit www.larl.org

Moorhead Public Library – Megan Krueger, Moorhead Library Director at kruegerm@larl.org

Lake Agassiz Regional Library – Liz Lynch, Regional Library Director at lynchl@larl.org

KIDS DEFEAT COPS IN SHOOTOUT

For the eighth straight year, Moorhead area youth took to the ice to play area law enforcement in a friendly exhibition hockey game. It took a tense five round shootout, but in the end, for the eighth straight year, the Kids earned an 8-7 victory.

This annual event features Moorhead Peewee's, Bantams, U-12 girls and U-14 girls versus Moorhead area law enforcement in an event designed to encourage positive interaction between police and youth in the community. While the game is fun and there is plenty of joking going around, this year took on a more competitive edge and the game was back and forth the whole time.

In the last eight years, over 200 kids have participated in this event. Several people and organizations donated time, money and goods to this event. The list is too long to mention everyone, but their generosity is greatly appreciated. All proceeds from the silent auction and chuck-a-puck held during the game went to the Moorhead Police Explorer Post and the Moorhead Youth Hockey Association. Moorhead Public Service and Minnesota Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 8 were the sponsors of this event.

Next year's shootout will be held on January 25 5:30 pm at the Moorhead Sports Center. Admission is free!



FLOOD INFORMATION

Floodplain Website

The City's floodplain information webpages cover topics such as preparation and recovery, flood insurance, floodplain maps, floodplain permits, and flood mitigation projects.

Emergency Preparation

Being prepared for a flood will not only help keep your family safe, but also help minimize potential flood damage and accelerate recovery efforts. In addition to purchasing flood insurance, you can protect your family and safeguard your home and possessions by developing a family disaster plan and by understanding your flood insurance policy.

Family Disaster Plan

- Identify the types of hazardous that could affect your family.
- Locate a safe room or the safest area in your home for each hazard.
- Determine escape routes from your home and places to meet.
- Have an out-of-state friend as a family contact so all your family members have a single point of contact.
- Make a plan for what to do with your pets should you need to evacuate.
- Post emergency telephone numbers by your phones and make sure your children know how and when to call 911.
- Check your insurance coverage. Flood damage is not covered by homeowners insurance. Only flood insurance covers floods.
- Stock non-perishable emergency supplies and a Disaster Supply Kit.
- Take First Aid, CPR, and disaster preparation classes.

Additional Information

More detailed information regarding flood related issues are available at

- www.cityofmoorhead.com
- Moorhead Floodplain Information **218.299.5387**
- 2121 28th St N – Wastewater Treatment Facility
- www.floodsmart.gov

Property Information

Lenders, Insurance Agents, Realtors, and citizens can call **218.299.5387** and speak with the City's Floodplain Manager to obtain information on whether a property is or is not within the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA).

Interactive GIS mapping tools are also available on the City's website.

- FEMA FIRM (Flood Insurance Rate Map) effective April 17, 2012
- Flood Stage Information
- Aerial photos of the 1997 and 2009 flood events

The Engineering Department maintains FIRMs, Letters of Map Amendment, elevation certificates, and other flood related information.

Elevation Certificate

Elevation certificates are available for some properties within the City. If the City does not have an elevation certificate on file, the services of an engineering consultant will be needed.

Flood Insurance

Only flood insurance covers floods. Talk to your insurance agent to ensure that you have adequate coverage. There is a 30-day waiting period before flood insurance coverage becomes effective. Plan ahead, and don't wait until a flood is predicted before purchasing flood insurance.

What are Biosolids?

They are nutrient-rich organic materials resulting from the treatment of domestic sewage in a treatment facility. These residuals are recycled and applied as fertilizer to improve and maintain productive soils and stimulate plant growth. The Wastewater Treatment Facility is also working on new ways to reduce the volume of biosolids produced at the facility.

- 337 acres received biosolids
- 1.5 million gallons of applied biosolids
- Nutrients include nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, copper and zinc

219.299.5493 ext. 6120

Biosolids@cityofmoorhead.com

www.ci.moorhead.mn.us/departments/engineering/wastewater



When the snow flies

Winter will be here before we know it! For the safety and convenience of the many people using our city sidewalks each day, including school children, mail and newspaper carriers, walkers, and runners, please take a moment to familiarize yourself with the City's snow removal requirements:

- Sidewalks and driveway approaches must be cleared of snow and ice by 9 pm once the snow has stopped.
- Clear the entire sidewalk and the driveway approach of snow and ice.
- If you live on a corner, sidewalks must be cleared on both sides, including the crosswalk approaches.
- Do not shovel snow onto neighboring properties or into the street.
- Do not blow snow beyond your own yard.
- Make arrangements with a neighbor or a snow removal service to care for your property if you are going to be on vacation or are otherwise unable to shovel your sidewalk in a timely way.
- Help your neighbors with snow removal when they are out of town or when health issues become an obstacle.

Inspectors will leave a notice at the property when sidewalks are not cleared in a timely way. The notice will have a compliance timeline. If the sidewalks are not cleared by the compliance date, the City will hire the snow removal and the property owner will be charged for all costs.

Plan for snow removal in advance to avoid these costs and keep sidewalks clear for the public.

WINTER SAFETY TIPS

CANDLE WITH CARE

December is the peak time of year for home candle fires.



- Blow out all candles when you leave the room or go to bed.
- Don't use candles in the bedroom where people may fall asleep.
- Keep candles at least 12 inches away from anything that can burn.
- Use candle holders that are sturdy and won't tip over easily and place on a stable, uncluttered surface.
- Light candles carefully. Keep your hair and any loose clothing away from the flame.
- Don't burn a candle all the way down — put it out before it gets too close to the holder or container.
- Never use a candle if oxygen is used in the home.
- Have flashlights and battery-powered lighting ready to use during a power outage; Never use candles.

Source: National Fire Protection Association

Heating Safety Tips

- Keep combustibles at least three feet away from heating equipment.
- Only use heating equipment approved by a recognized testing laboratory.
- Never use your oven for heating.
- Maintain heating equipment and chimneys by having them cleaned and inspected annually by a qualified professional.
- Turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- For fuel burning space heaters, always use the proper fuel.
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to prevent sparks from flying into the room and burn only dry, seasoned wood. Allow ashes to cool before disposing in a metal container, which is kept a safe distance from the home.
- For wood burning stoves, install chimney connectors and chimneys following manufacturer's instructions or have a professional do the installation.
- Make sure all fuel-burning equipment is vented to the outside to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning.
- Install and maintain carbon monoxide (CO) alarms to avoid the risk of CO poisoning.
- Test smoke alarms at least monthly.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Farmers Market

When: Tuesday nights through September 30 from 3-7 pm
Where: Moorhead Center Mall (northeast parking lot)

Haunted Mall

When: Friday, October 31 from 4-10 pm
Where: Moorhead Center Mall
Details: Join in on the fun trick or treating, exploring scary and not so scary spaces, activities, and more.

Tree Lighting

When: Friday, September 5 at 5 pm
Where: Memorial Park in the Log Cabin
Details: Listen to Moorhead High School Carolers, enjoy cookies and cider, and watch as Mayor Williams turns the lights on the official City of Moorhead holiday tree!

Sleigh Rides

When: December 27-30 from 1-4 pm
Where: Hjemkomst Center
Details: Enjoy a horse-drawn sleigh ride through Viking Ship Park. Cost is \$4 per rider and no advance tickets or reservations are needed.

Polar Party

When: Saturday, January 17 from 10-2 pm
Where: MB Johnson Park
Details: A variety of winter activities, sleigh rides, and fun. Admission is free. Winter fun for the whole family!



Celtic Festival

When: Saturday, March 14 from 10-4 pm
Where: Hjemkomst Center
Details: Celebrate the history, culture, and traditions of the Celtic Nations. Admission is free!

Moorhead Ice Show

When: March 20 or 21 at 7 pm or March 22 at 1 pm
Where: Moorhead Sports Center
Details: Skaters ranging from tots to advanced level skaters perform in our annual show. Tickets available at the door.

New Programs

The Fall/Winter brochure was mailed to all Moorhead residents the week of August 11. There are programs for youth, adults, seniors, and we've added new programs and events. If you need another copy, stop by the Moorhead Sports Center, City Hall, Moorhead Center Mall, Moorhead Library, or the Fargo-Moorhead Convention and Visitor's Bureau to pick one up.

Fall Golf Special

The days are getting shorter, but there is still lots of great golf weather left in the season! Beginning September 22, pay for 9 holes and play 18 at either Village Green or The Meadows. Valid on adult green fee rates only, no carts. The golf courses will be open through October 31. One course will remain open into November, weather permitting. Go to www.moorheadgolf.com for updates toward the end of the season.

CARBON MONOXIDE

Carbon monoxide is an odorless toxic gas that is impossible to see, taste or smell. It can kill you before you are aware it's there. Symptoms of CO poisoning include headache, dizziness, disorientation, nausea and fatigue.

What to do if my CO alarm goes off...

If no one is feeling ill:

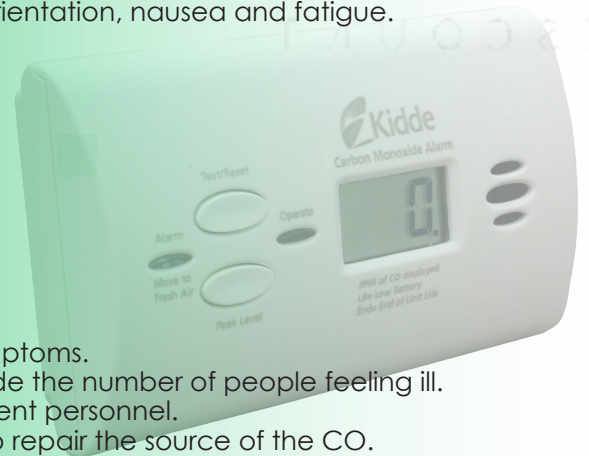
- Silence the alarm.
- Turn off all appliances and sources of combustion.
- Ventilate the house with fresh air.
- Call the Fire Department at **218.299.5432** or dial **911**.

If illness is a factor:

- Evacuate all occupants immediately.
- Determine how many occupants are ill and determine their symptoms.
- Call 911 and when relaying information to the dispatcher, include the number of people feeling ill.
- Do not re-enter the home without the approval of Fire Department personnel.
- The Fire Department will advise you if you need a professional to repair the source of the CO.

Protect Yourself and Your Family from CO Poisoning

- Install at least one carbon monoxide alarm with an audible warning signal near sleeping areas and bedrooms.
- Have a qualified professional check all fuel burning appliances, furnaces, venting and chimney systems at least once a year.
- Never use your range or oven to help heat your home and never use a charcoal grill or hibachi in your home or garage.
- Never keep a car running in a garage, even if the garage doors are open.



HISTORICAL & CULTURAL SOCIETY

Upcoming Events & Exhibits

Quilt National '13 August 16 - September 28

Quilt National is a biennial juried competition dedicated to the promotion of the contemporary art quilt. It is a showcase for new work produced in the two-year span prior to the exhibition. Its focus is to provide the viewer with a visual presentation of innovative trends in the medium of layered and stitched fabric.

Art Educators August 19 - October 20

FMVA is collaborating with The Arts Partnership to present this year's Art Educators' Exhibit.

German Culture Day September 27 10am - 7pm - Free and open to the public.

Celebrate German cultural heritage of past immigrants and of contemporary Germany with a combination of traditional music and dance, children's activities, and folk traditional crafts.

Pangea- Cultivate Our Cultures November 8, 10am-4pm

Celebrate our community's traditions and cultures with this local, multi-ethnic showcase of music dance, culinary arts and children's activities. Free and open to the public.

Doing Our Part: Clay County In WWII February 11 - December 31

When the United States went to war in WWII, all citizens pitched in to do their part to win the war; Clay County was no exception. This exhibit tells the stories of the men, women, and children of Clay County who were affected by the war and how it changed the fabric of everyday life. This exhibit will be on display for two years.

Open House Fire Department

The Moorhead Fire Department will wrap up Fire Prevention Week activities Sunday October 12 with an Open House at Station 1 (1120 1st Ave N) from 1-4 pm. Tour the station, meet our staff, enjoy refreshments and interactive demonstrations throughout the afternoon.

Senior Connections

Caregiver Conference

Tuesday, October 22, 2014 • Hjemkomst Center • 9:00 am-1:00 pm

Caregiving touches almost every family and we know that caring for a loved one can be challenging at times. This conference is to help participants receive hands-on advice for his or her caregiving challenge. Exhibitors will be on hand offering information and services relevant to the needs of both the caregiver and the person being cared for. Register by calling **218-299-5514** by October 17.

Citizens Police Academy



Provided by
The Moorhead Police Department

This is a ten-week program held Thursday evenings from 6-9 pm The Citizens Police Academy will help to dispel myths and lead to a greater understanding of what it is like to be a police officer in today's society. The class begins September 18.

- Crime scene investigation and evidence collection
- K9 demonstration
- DWI enforcement from recognition to arrest
- Narcotics investigation
- Internet crimes investigation techniques
- S.W.A.T.
- Traffic stops
- Crimes against children
- Officers in schools
- Citizen involvement with the MPD

"Absolutely a great program – I don't think there is enough public awareness of what the MPD does and contributes. I think many people would be surprised."
2013 Citizens Police Academy participant

Interested?

Complete an application online at www.cityofmoorhead.com and type in the search box "Citizens Police Academy." For more information call **218.299.5143**. Class size is limited, so please respond as soon as possible.

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

- 1 - Labor Day
City Hall Closed
- 23 - Autumn Begins
- 25 - Rosh Hashanah
- 27 - City Auction
218.299.5422

OCTOBER

- 12 - Fire Department
Open House
- 31 - Halloween

NOVEMBER

- 2 - Daylight Savings Time
- 11 - ends
Veterans Day
- 25 - *City Hall Closed*
- 27 - Holiday Lights Parade
Thanksgiving Day
City Hall Closed

DECEMBER

- 24 - Christmas Eve
City Hall Closed
- 25 - Christmas Day
City Hall Closed
- 31 - New Year's Eve

JANUARY

- 1 - New Year's Day
City Hall Closed
- 19 - Rev. Dr. Martin Luther
King Jr. Day
City Hall Closed
- 31 - Chinese New Year

FEBRUARY

- 2 - Groundhog Day
- 14 - Valentine's Day
- 16 - Presidents' Day
City Hall Closed

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RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER

Curbside Collection:

Garbage carts and recycling containers should be placed at the curb the night before or by 5 am on your collection day to ensure pickup. Garbage carts should be placed within 4 feet of the curb line, and at least 2 feet from any obstacle to include snow banks. Do not place garbage carts or bags on top of snow banks.

Refuse Bags:

If a household has more garbage than will fit within the automated cart, it must be placed in a City of Moorhead prepaid yellow refuse bag that is imprinted with the City of Moorhead logo. These bags are available at many local grocery and retail stores. The expense of purchasing the bags includes the cost of collection and disposal.

Storage of Garbage Carts:

Store your garbage carts in an enclosed building or out of view of the public right-of-way once collection has been completed.

Please note: In order to pick up two routes, we start post-holiday garbage collections very early, so please place garbage carts and recycling containers on your curb by 4 am on the day following the designated holiday to ensure pickup.



Holiday Collection Schedule Reminder:

There are 9 designated holidays when garbage is not collected:

- New Year's Day
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- President's Day
- Memorial Day
- July 4th (Independence Day)
- Labor Day
- Veterans Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

On these designated holidays, your garbage will be collected the day after your regular collection day. For example, when a holiday falls on a Monday, Monday and Tuesday routes will be collected on Tuesday and no other routes will be affected. Similarly, when an official holiday falls on a Friday, Friday routes will be collected the following Monday and no other routes will be affected. Exceptions: When a holiday falls on a Saturday, there will be no collection on the preceding Friday. When a holiday falls on a Sunday, there will be no collection on the following Monday.