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## Annual Egg Hunt

It is that time of year again...time for the Annual Egg Hunt. Every year, on the weekend prior to Easter, Elko New Market Community children come together at the Eagle View Elementary School to hunt for Easter Eggs. The Community and Civic Events Committee would like to invite all children to attend this event and share the fun with their family and friends.

When: Saturday, March 24, 2018  
 Time: 10:00 a.m.  
 Where: Eagle View Elementary School  
 256 Nevada Avenue  
 Who: Children up to 5th Grade  
 Cost: \$3/Pre-registered Children  
 \$5/Child Day of the Egg Hunt

Fun for the whole family, bring your cameras to capture the excitement and take pictures with our special guest, the EASTER BUNNY.

Sunshine, snow or rain, come ready for fun and games! (Remember to dress appropriate for the weather.)

Children attending the Egg Hunt must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. In

addition, a Food Allergy Disclaimer (included on the registration form) must be signed by a parent or guardian for a child to attend the Egg Hunt.

Registration forms for the 2018 event are inserted into this newsletter and available on the city website at [www.ci.enm.mn.us](http://www.ci.enm.mn.us) as well as at City Hall.

As in past years, this is a wristband event. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to pre-register their children. The pre-registration deadline is Friday, March 16th. Wristbands will be mailed to the participants on Monday, March 19th.



## Low Per Capita Spending Plus Quality Municipal Services Equals Value for Taxpayers

Based on the most recent comparative data from the Office of the State Auditor, Elko New Market is among the most frugal cities in the state based on per capita taxes and spending. Elko New Market ranked in the bottom sixth of the state (ranked 183 of 229 cities) in expenditures and bottom third of the state (ranked 160 of 229 cities) in total taxes on a per capita basis. The Office of the State Auditor's 2016 City Financial Data and Comparison Information published in December reports and ranks revenues and expenditures on a per capita basis for reporting cities over 2,500 in population.

"Long-term financial planning to provide public services without undue burden on the tax payers of the City and value based policy decisions, along with recruiting and retaining high quality City staff all contribute to the quality and value of our municipal services", said Tom Terry, City Administrator. In the most recent Community Survey (2015), Elko New Market ranked in the top 10 percent for quality and value of city services among metro area cities.



## Point of Impact Teen Driving Program—Free Presentation

Traffic crashes are the leading killer of Minnesota teens. The Elko New Market Police Department and the Elko New Market Chamber of Commerce hope to minimize these tragedies in our community by hosting the Point of Impact teen driving program for parents and their teens.

The program, developed by the Minnesota Department of Public Safety (DPS) Office of Traffic Safety, will be presented by Elko New Market Police Chief Steve Mortenson.

When: Thursday, April 5, 2018

Where: Elko New Market Library

110 J. Roberts Way, Elko New Market

Time: Event is from 6:45-8:00 p.m.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

### Pizza and beverages will be provided

This program is sponsored by Automotive Engenuity, Bodywerks Auto Repair, Tim Sadusky Agency (Farmers Insurance) and Marek's Towing.

There is no charge to attend, but registration is required for food planning. Register online at <https://enmchamber.org/events/#!/event/2018/4/5/point-of-impact-free-teen-driving-program>.

For more information, please call City Offices at (952)461-2777.



## Don't Get Scammed by Fake IRS Calls!

### A REMINDER FROM YOUR ELKO NEW MARKET POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Even though scammers call year round, scam calls regarding the IRS pick up this time of year because of tax time.

By following and sharing the tips below, you and your family members will be less likely to become a victim of the IRS SCAM!

1. The IRS will never call to demand immediate payment, nor will the IRS call about taxes you owe without first mailing you a bill. If you get a live or pre-recorded call claiming to be from the IRS and demanding payment right away, hang up. If you know you owe taxes or think you might owe, you can call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040 to explore your options.
2. The IRS will never ask to be paid by prepaid debit card, gift card, iTunes card or by wire transfer.
3. The IRS will never threaten to send local police or other law-enforcement groups to arrest you or have a warrant put out for your arrest.
4. Don't trust your caller ID. Scammers can make caller ID look like anyone is calling: the IRS, a business or government office... even your own phone number. If they tell you to pay money for any reason, or ask for your financial account numbers, hang up. If you think the caller might be legitimate, call back to a number you know is genuine – not the number the caller gave you.
5. Hang up on robocalls. If you pick up the phone and hear a recorded sales pitch, hang up and report it to the FTC. These calls are illegal.
6. Talk to someone. Before you give up money or information, talk to someone you trust. Scammers want you to make decisions in a hurry. Slow down, check out the story, search online – or just tell a friend.



## 2018 Annual Events & CCEC Sponsored Events

Kicking off the year, the first annual event of the year is the Egg Hunt, which takes place on Saturday, March 24th. See front page article on the 2018 Annual Egg Hunt. This event is sponsored by the Elko New Market Community & Civic Events Committee (CCEC).

The next annual event of the year is the City Wide Garage Sale. This year's garage sales will be held May 17th-19th. Online registrations will become available prior to the event. Locations

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## 2018 Annual Events & CCEC Sponsored Events

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and maps are provided online and available at local establishments one week prior to the sales. You never know when and where you will find that special treasure you didn't know you were looking for!

The Annual Spring Clean-up will be held on Saturday, June 9th where City Residents and New Market Township residents can dispose of those unused, unneeded or broken things that have been laying around the house collecting dust. Garbage haulers will be picking up lawn waste on June 9th with all bags placed on curb by 7:00 am. Any questions, please call your garbage hauler.

Fire Rescue Days is next on the docket. It is the most exciting and action packed annual event that is sponsored by the CCEC! Watch the city website at [www.ci.enm.mn.us](http://www.ci.enm.mn.us) for a list of all of the events, which always includes a Thursday Family Fun Night event, the Community Parade,

Fire Rescue Dance, Silent Auction, 1K & 5K Runs, and much more. The fun all begins on Thursday, June 21st and continues through Sunday, June 24th.

During the "Dog Days" of summer, neighbors will gather together and host block parties for the Annual Night to Unite event on August 7th. Making an appearance at the block parties include local Police Officers, Firefighters, Paramedics, Elected City Officials and members of City Staff. Fun for all!

Last but not least is the annual Halloween Party, hosted by the CCEC, which will be held on Saturday, October 27th. Parents and children are encouraged to dress up for the Halloween Party and participate in games and receive prizes and treats.

Throughout the year are other special events and Community Education events. Watch the City Website at [www.ci.enm.mn.us](http://www.ci.enm.mn.us) for details of all upcoming events. There is something for everyone...



## Simple Stormwater Practices YOU Can Do at Home

Do employ these simple practices during winter weather to prevent 'Stormwater Pollution' --

(Stormwater Pollution is a major cause of water pollution in our urban and suburban waterways.)

### TIPS:

- ~ **Shovel snow first** to remove it from paved surfaces, like driveways and sidewalks, before applying snow melt and deicing products.
- ~ **Pile shoveled snow downslope** of paved surfaces to help prevent icy and slippery conditions on pavement as snow melts and refreezes.
- ~ **Shovel snow onto lawn** and vegetated areas where melting snow can soak into the ground.
- ~ **Limit the use of deicing chemicals and products** on sidewalks and driveways since they can readily flow into storm drains and streams as ice melts. When deicing products that contain salt and other constituents, dissolve, they seep into ground water and flow into streams where they can impair water quality, diminish soil fertility, damage plants, and

harm aquatic life.

- ~ **Use environmentally-friendly alternatives**, such as clean clay cat litter or sand to avoid the need for products that can have damaging impacts and be harmful to the environment.
- ~ **Sweep up after snowmelt** -- Sweep and dispose of residual sand, grit, and litter to help prevent accumulation in streets and roadside ditches; clogged storm drains and culverts; and sediment pollution in streams.
- ~ **Keep gutters and drainage pathways clear** and free of debris to prevent snowmelt from backing up and forming ice in places where you want runoff to flow freely.
- ~ **Direct, or route, snowmelt runoff into nearby gardens** and vegetated areas before applying salt and deicing products.
- ~ **Temperature Matters**—Common deicers don't melt snow and ice well when its very cold, so should not be applied. Instead, use a small amount of sand for traction. The temperature listed on the bag may not be the lowest temperature at which the product will melt snow or ice effectively.



Melting temperatures are generally as follows:

- ⇒ Sodium Chloride, 15°F
- ⇒ Magnesium Chloride, 5°F
- ⇒ Calcium Chloride, -20°F

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Residents should be aware that all dogs residing within Elko New Market city limits must be licensed with the City. Please clean up after your pet. In addition, frequent or continual barking is prohibited. Questions? Call (952) 461-2777

### March 2018 Calendar

8	City Council Work Session	6:30 pm
	City Council Business Meeting	7:30 pm
13	Parks Commission	4:00 pm
22	City Council Work Session	6:30 pm
	City Council Business Meeting	7:30 pm
27	Planning Commission	7:00 pm

### 2018 Community Events

Egg Hunt	March 24
Point of Impact	April 5
City Wide Garage Sale	May 17-19
Spring Clean-up	June 9
Fire Rescue Days	June 21-24
Night to Unite	August 7

### April 2018 Calendar

10	Parks Commission	4:00 pm
12	City Council Work Session	6:30 pm
	City Council Business Meeting	7:30 pm
24	Planning Commission	7:00 pm
26	Economic Development Authority	6:30 pm
	City Council Business Meeting	7:30 pm

Watch upcoming newsletters and the City website at [www.ci.enm.mn.us](http://www.ci.enm.mn.us) for more community events as they are scheduled.

*Starting February 27, 2018, regularly scheduled monthly Planning Commission Meetings are being moved to the last Tuesday of the month.*

*(All meetings are subject to change.)*

