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2019 Halloween Party

When:	Saturday, October 26th
Where:	Eagle View Elementary 25600 Nevada Avenue
Whom:	Children up to 5th Grade
Times	Session 1 - 10:00 to 11:00 am. Session 2 - 11:00 am to Noon
Cost	Pre-registered: \$3/Child At Door: \$5/Child

It is that time of year again... the 2019 Annual Halloween Party is fast approaching! The Halloween Party is being held at Eagle View Elementary School on Saturday, October 26, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Registration forms are available on the City website at www.ci.enm.mn.us/events as well as included in this newsletter. There is still time to pre-register your child(ren) as the **deadline to pre-register is Friday, October 18, 2019.**



This is a wristband event. If pre-registered via mail or the drop box, the wristbands will be mailed out on Monday, October 21, 2019.

If you are a local business and would like to register to sponsor a game, please contact Deputy Clerk Lynda Jirak at ljirak@ci.enm.mn.us or call City Offices at (952) 461-2777.

Contact City Offices at (952)461-2777 for more information or questions.



Sponsored by the Elko New Market Community & Civic Events Committee

Fire Safety Open House

The Elko New Market Fire Department is hosting their Annual Open House to celebrate Fire Safety Month.

Date: Sunday, October 27, 2019
Time: 3:00—6:00 p.m.
Where: Fire Hall—601 Main Street
Elko New Market, MN 55054

Join the Fire Department in the following activities:

- Tour the Fire Trucks and Fire Station
- Kitchen Fire Safety Live Demo
- Vehicle Extrication Demo
- Smoke House Demo
- Car Seat Checks



- Pulled Pork Sandwiches and Hot Dogs
- And More!!!...



Schedule your car seat check by emailing Scott County Deputy Lueck at alueck@co.scott.mn.us. Appointments last approximately 30-45 minutes and walk-ins will be taken based on availability.





Left Lane Law

It's enough to drive a driver crazy: There you are on the freeway, going the speed limit on bone-dry roads with plenty of light, and the person in front of you is going slower than the flow of traffic. You'd love to pass them in the left lane, but it's not an option, because there's another driver camped out there, blocking you from passing. What's a driver to do?

The requirement to move over and allow vehicles to pass in the left lane has been law in Minnesota for many years. Effective August 1, 2019, the current language of the law was modernized to account for today's traffic. In a nutshell, it says that whenever practicable, drivers need to move out of the left lane so that other vehicles can pass. In other words, if you need to pass someone, do so in the left lane – but then get back in the right lane as soon as you're clear.

A very important side note: Nothing in this (or any) Minnesota state law says drivers are allowed to speed. So when the car ahead of you is going the posted speed limit, there's no need to pass them.

Similarly, if the driver in front of you is going as fast as the conditions allow, don't pass them. Remember that ice, snow, fog, rain, darkness

and other environmental conditions can make it necessary to drive below the speed limit. The goal is to get where you're going alive and unharmed.

Keeping the left lane clear has other benefits, too: It will help reduce everyone's stress on the road by increasing efficiency, and it can ward off road rage effectively. Traffic also works best when everyone is going about the same speed.

So what do you do when someone is staying in the left lane, preventing you from passing (or engaging in other negligent driving behavior)? Get to a safe place and call 911. The 911 operator will want a description of the vehicle, its license number, and the location where you last saw it. Violating the left-lane law comes with the same \$50 fine in place prior to August 1st.

Ultimately, keeping the left lane clear for those who are passing will make the road safer and life easier for all drivers, yourself included. So next time you're driving down a highway or interstate with four or more lanes, remember to stay in the right lane and go the speed limit.

<https://dps.mn.gov/blog/Pages/20190725-left-lane-law.aspx>

Hand's-Free Minnesota Law

What you can do under the new law?

The new law allows a driver to use their cell phone to make calls, text, listen to music/podcasts and get directions, but only by voice commands or single-touch activation without holding the phone.

What you can't do with your phone under the new law?

You may not hold your phone in your hand. Also, a driver may not use their phone at any time for video calling, video live-streaming, Snapchat, gaming, looking at video/photos stored on the phone, using non-navigation apps, reading texts and scrolling or typing on the phone.

What are the penalties?

The first ticket is \$50 plus court fees. The second and later tickets are \$275 plus court fees.

List of options to go hands-free...

1. Don't use your phone when you drive.
2. Use a single earphone that has a microphone. (Remember, using earphones in both ears is illegal.)
3. Pair your phone to your current vehicle.
4. Buy an auxiliary cable and connect your phone's earphone jack to your car's AUX jack.
5. If your car is older and doesn't have an AUX jack but does have a cassette player, you can buy an adapter that fits into the cassette player.
6. Buy a holder to clip your phone to the dash. You can use it in a voice-activated or single-touch mode.
7. Buy a Bluetooth speaker or earphone to pair with your phone.



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MINNESOTA LAW**
HandsFreeMN.org

Yard Waste Recycling

WHAT TO DO WITH ALL THOSE LEAVES?

- **Create a compost pile** in a corner of your yard. Maintained properly, a compost pile will produce nutrient rich compost for your yard or gardens next spring.
- **Arrange curbside pickup** with your waste hauler. Contact your hauler to schedule a single pickup or find out about weekly yard waste collection options.
- **Mulch them up** with a few passes of your lawn mower. This works well if leaves are less than a few inches deep. Bonus: As the mulched leaves decay, they will fertilize your lawn!
- **Drop them off** at a yard waste disposal facility. On Sundays in October from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m., Scott County residents can drop off yard waste free of charge at the SMSC Organics Recycling Facility in Shakopee. For details visit smscorf.com/free-yard-waste-recycling/.

What NOT to do:

- **Don't dump leaves into storm drains, ditches, ponds or other water bodies.** Decaying leaves spur the growth of algae and use up oxygen in the water, harming aquatic life.
- **Don't dispose of leaves in your garbage bin.** Minnesota state law prohibits placing leaves, branches, and other yard waste with your household garbage.



Compost Pile

FREE
YARD WASTE
RECYCLING

FOR SCOTT COUNTY RESIDENTS
(MUST SHOW ID)

at the SMSC Organics Recycling Facility, Shakopee

EVERY
SUNDAY in
OCTOBER

from 8 AM to 2 PM

Learn more at: smscorf.com/free-yard-waste-recycling/

Help Keep Our Waters Clean: Report Illicit Discharge

What is Illicit Discharge?

An illicit discharge is anything that enters a storm drain that is not stormwater (rain and snow melt). An illicit discharge is water pollution.

Why Does It Matter?

Anything entering a storm drain isn't sent for treatment but instead drains directly into waterbodies such as lakes and rivers.

Most Frequent Offenders

These should **NEVER** go down a storm drain.

- ⇒ Used Motor Oil
- ⇒ Pesticides and Fertilizers
- ⇒ Paints and Solvents
- ⇒ Grass Clippings and Other Yard Waste
- ⇒ Soapy Water from Pressure Washing
- ⇒ Dirt and Sediment

- ⇒ Septic Tank Effluent
- ⇒ Cash Wash Wastewater
- ⇒ Radiator Flushing Discharge
- ⇒ Commercial Cleaning Wastewater



Suspect an Illicit Discharge?
Report it!

Call 911
to report a major spill or
active illegal dumping

Call Non-Emergency
Police Dispatch at
(952)445-1411

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City's Facebook Page

The City of Elko New Market has a Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/City-of-Elko-New-Market-220828948350609/>.

Follow us on Facebook to learn more about city projects and current or upcoming events.



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

October 2019 Calendar

10	Workshop/City Council Meeting	6:00 pm
15	Parks Commission—Rescheduled	4:00 pm
24	Economic Development Authority Workshop/City Council Meeting	Cancelled 6:00 pm
29	Planning Commission	7:00 pm

November 2019 Calendar

12	Parks Commission	4:00 pm
21	Workshop/City Council Meeting	6:00 pm
26	Planning Commission	7:00 pm

December 2019 Calendar

5	Workshop/City Council Meeting	6:00 pm
10	Parks Commission	4:00 pm
17	Planning Commission—Rescheduled	7:00 pm
19	Workshop/City Council Meeting	6:00 pm

(All meetings are subject to change.)

2019 Community Events

Halloween Party October 26, 2019

2019 Upcoming City Offices Closings

Veteran's Day Holiday	November 11, 2019
Thanksgiving	November 28, 2019
Day After Thanksgiving	November 29, 2019
Christmas Eve	December 24, 2019
<i>(Offices Close at Noon)</i>	
Christmas Day	December 25, 2019
New Year's Eve	December 31, 2019
<i>(Offices Close at Noon)</i>	
New Year's Day	January 1, 2020

Watch upcoming newsletters and the City website at www.ci.enm.mn.us for more community events as they are scheduled.

