

City of Kindred

"Where Kindness is a Way of Life"



Kindred Tree Board Awarded Grant

The City of Kindred was awarded a \$10,000.00 grant from the North Dakota Forest Service (NDFS) to assist with tree removal expenses.

Earlier this year, the Kindred Tree Board took an inventory and assessed the condition of boulevard and city right-of-way (ROW) trees. Trees that were identified as poor condition/needing attention were marked with an orange "X". That inventory was the first step in developing a maintenance plan.

The next step was securing the aforementioned grant to assist with tree removal and maintenance expenses at no cost to residents. Carr's Tree Service will begin work in the community after July 15 and will be finished before Kindred Days.

Those property owners with boulevard or ROW trees that are slated for removal will be directly notified via letter from the city.

Maintenance will include the removal of trees and stumps ground out. The site will be prepared for replanting within 1-2 years.

Carr's may also be able to schedule other jobs in the community at the same time to provide some cost savings to property owners. If you have a tree on your private property you'd like to inquire about, you can contact Carr's General Foreman Quincey Circo (ISA Certified Arborist) directly via phone at (cell) 218-770-9791, (office) 218-367-3355, or email at qcirco@carrstreeservice.com.



CITY CALENDAR

July 4	Independence Day - CITY HALL CLOSED
July 5	7:00 PM City Council Meeting
July 10	12:00 PM Kindred Senior Citizens
July 10	6:30 PM P&Z Meeting
July 10	7:00 PM Kindred Library Trustees
July 11	5:30 PM Renaissance Zone
July 12	6:30 PM Kindred Park Board
July 15	CITY UTILITY BILLS DUE
July 24	Public Information Meeting for Newport Ridge Project 2024-1
July 26	12:30 PM Blood Drive @ City Hall
Aug. 2	7:00 PM City Council Meeting
Aug. 8	5:30 PM Renaissance Zone
Aug. 9	6:30 PM Kindred Park Board
Aug. 11-13	KINDRED COMMUNITY DAYS
Aug. 14	12:00 PM Kindred Senior Citizens
Aug. 14	6:30 PM P&Z Meeting
Aug. 14	7:00 PM Kindred Library Trustees
Aug. 15	CITY UTILITY BILLS DUE

Schedule changes and detailed information will be posted on KindredND.com. For more community events, visit the [Community Calendar](#).

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 -  701-428-3115
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- For Councilmember email addresses, go to KindredND.com/council-staff-committees

KINDRED DAYS! AUGUST 11-13

The all-volunteer, hard-working Kindred Community Club has put together another great line-up of events! Events kick off on Friday with RDO's Day of Play, the 19th Annual Greg Jerlow Scholarship Golf Classic, 3v3 Basketball, Fireman's Dinner, and an Outdoor Movie in the Park!

The fun continues on Saturday with a FULL DAY of FUN! Start your morning with a 5k or Fly-In Pancake Breakfast...or better yet, do both! The afternoon continues with food, vendors, parade, petting zoo, car show, axe throwing, foam party, beer tasting, tractor pull, and more! End the day with live music!

There's too much to list here, so be sure to visit KindredDays.com for the full list of events and details. Be on the lookout for the event mailer coming to your mailbox soon!

Cass County Sheriff's Office

Cass County Sheriff's Office in addition to your local fire, law enforcement, and emergency services are hosting a community "Night to Unite" event on Thursday, August 3 from 5-8 p.m. This FREE event is open to everyone! Burgers/hot dogs, beans, beverages, chips, and freezes will be served. Come enjoy a fun, free night with the community!



EVERYONE BUCKLED



ND's law to save lives

NORTH DAKOTA LAW AS OF AUG. 1, 2023

- Enforcement changes from secondary to primary.
- All front seat and back seat occupants must be buckled up regardless of age.
- Children younger than eight years of age are required to ride in a child restraint (car seat or booster seat).

PRIMARY VS. SECONDARY LAW

- Primary law allows law enforcement to stop and issue a seat belt citation to someone for not wearing a seat belt.
- Secondary law allows law enforcement to issue a seat belt citation when a driver is pulled over for a different infraction.

Learn more about North Dakota's seat belt law at VisionZero.ND.gov.



The Right Way to Water Your Lawn

Written by Tom Kalb, Extension Horticulturist, North Dakota State University

Can you enjoy a green lawn in summer without an expensive water bill? Let's discuss how you can make every drop of water count.

To keep your lawn green and growing, it needs about 1 inch of water per week from you, rainfall, or a combination of both.

To measure how much is 1 inch of water, set a group of flat-bottomed cups at 5- to 10-foot intervals from the base of your sprinkler to the edge of its reach. Measure the time an inch of water takes to fall in the cups. Use this as your base time.

Water deeply.

Giving your lawn a big gulp of water is better than giving it a series of sips. Roots grow where the water is. If you water deeply, you will develop a deep root system. On the other hand, if you only sprinkle the surface of the soil, you will create a shallow root system.

If you have a clay soil, irrigate only once or twice a week. Sandy soils can't hold a full inch of water, so we will need to split the application to two or three times a week.

Split applications are also a good idea if you see water running off from the lawn (for example, on a sloped landscape). We want the water to be absorbed and not to run off.

Water in the early morning.

The grass plants will be active and will absorb the water they need. Any extra water will evaporate, keeping the grass blades dry and preventing diseases. Watering during the middle of the day is not recommended since much of the water you apply will evaporate before the plants absorb it. Watering in the evening is not recommended since the lawn will stay wet all night, leading to diseases.

Mow properly.

This makes a big difference. Mow tall and let the grass clippings fall. Tall turf naturally develops a deeper root system. The tall grass blades and the grass clippings will shade the soil, keeping it cooler and conserving moisture. The first lawns that turn yellow in a neighborhood are lawns that are cut short and where clippings are collected.

Monitor your automatic timer.

These "set it and forget it" systems are convenient, but they sometimes irrigate the

lawn when it's not needed. Only irrigate when the lawn is dry. Don't irrigate when it's raining or when rain is expected. Rain sensors and soil moisture sensors are available that prevent irrigation systems from running when rain is falling or when the soil is moist.

Improve your soil.

Adding organic matter can help. The next time you aerate the lawn, fill in the holes with some compost or peat moss. In clay soils, this organic matter will open the soil, helping water infiltrate rather than run off. In sandy soils, this organic matter will help the soil hold onto the water before it drains away.

Use the natural alternative.

You have the option of not watering your lawn at all. Your lawn will turn yellow gradually and go dormant. Going dormant under intense heat is natural for lawns. Lawns will turn green again in the fall when temperatures cool.

Whether you irrigate your lawn or not, you can have a healthy lawn without breaking your bank account. Irrigate only when needed and make every drop count.

Kindred Parks & Recreation

SOCCER

Soccer is coming to Kindred! The Parks & Rec team is excited to “kick off” the inaugural season this July. Games and practices will take place in Kindred every Tuesday and Thursday until the middle of August. Pre-K, Kindergarten and Grade 1, and Grades 2-4 will learn the fundamentals of the game. Our “goal” is to get the kids out enjoying physical activity, building friendships, and working together.

THANK YOU!

A big THANK YOU to Joel Alm for his donation to Kindred Parks & Rec. With his generosity, we were able to purchase additional goals to support even more teams playing soccer throughout the summer months.

5th/6th Grade Football

Registration for 5th/6th grade tackle football will be closing August 1st! Any enrolled Kindred student entering grades 5 or 6 this fall is eligible to play.



PARKS & REC'S 2023 SUMMER
BY THE NUMBERS

111 & COUNTING
Number of pool passes currently being used at the pool. 

62
8-12U softball players crushing the ball this season! 

52
Boys and girls playing T-Ball! 

131
Soccer players registered for our first ever season. 

WWW.KINDREDPARKS.ORG

Boards & Committees

Planning & Zoning

Thank you to the newest members of the Planning & Zoning Committee - Joel Ronningen and Trevor Zens.

Special Assessment Commission

There are still TWO vacancies on the Special Assessment Commission (SAC). The SAC consists of three members who are appointed by Kindred City Council in order to oversee the special assessment process as set out in North Dakota Century Code Section 40-23-01.

To qualify for appointment, members must be residents of the City of Kindred. Its obligation is to assess, as fair and equally as possible, the costs of various improvement projects within a defined assessment area determined by the City Council. In other words, the commission proportions the cost of projects by determining the amount of benefit to each property in a given improvement district. The commission meets on an as-needed basis when active projects are nearing or have reached final completion. Typically, each project will require 2-4 SAC meetings, for which each member will receive compensation.

If you are interested in serving on the SAC, please contact City Hall at 428-3115 or cityofkindred@msn.com.

CCR Report

The 2022 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report is now available. To view a copy of the report, visit

www.KindredND.com/ccr-report.



I-29 Ramp Closure

Industrial Builders, Inc. has advised that they are preparing to temporarily close South bound I-29 on and off ramps at Exit 50/CR 18 for approximately 3-4 weeks, starting June 26. The plan is to re-open the South bound ramps towards the end of July, at which time the North bound ramps would then be closed until sometime in October. Traffic control pre-warning signs will be provided as needed to direct the traveling public in all directions. The bridge at CR 18 would be open to traffic the entire time. These closures are needed to help insure the project is completed this year.

KINDRED EARNS 2022 GROWTH AWARD

The Arbor Day Foundation's Growth Award recognized the Kindred community for their hard work to continuously improve the community's urban forestry program.



KindredND.com



We are working on some additions to the city's website, **KindredND.com**. Coming soon - a "Project Page" will detail the upcoming projects in Kindred (for example the Dakota Street Sidewalk project and the Newport Ridge project) and provide links to pertinent documents. A "Special Assessment" page will provide a general understanding of what special assessment are and the city's process for special assessments.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Reading is a BLAST!

KPL's Summer Reading Program theme is "Reading is a Blast!" This is for all ages - kids, teens, and adults. The "Reading is a Blast" Challenge List is available at the Library and linked through the website or the Library's Facebook page. The Summer Reading program runs through July 31.

Kindred Story Walk

A Kite for Moon by Jane Yolen is the new story walk book that was recently installed. **A Kite for Moon** is a lyrical book about a little boy, the moon, and how he becomes an astronaut. Story Walk is a joint project between KPL and Kindred Parks & Recreation. June through September, participants are encouraged to follow posted signs for the route through the city to read individual pages from "A Kite for Moon".

Festival of Tables

Mark your calendars! Friends of the Kindred Public Library will be hosting their 2023 Festival of Tables fundraising event on August 8. Creatively decorated tables, donated purses with secret contents, volunteering at the event - all part of the fun experience to support the Library! There is still space for a couple of tables if you are interested. Email the Library at kindredpubliclibrary@gmail.com to learn more about the Festival or donating a purse.

Summer Theater Camp - "Willy Wonka Jr"

Thank you to all who signed up to participate in Summer Arts Safari musical performance of "Willy Wonka Jr". The Community Performance of "Will Wonka Jr" will be Friday, July 14 at 6:30 pm at the Davenport Community Center.

Summer Children's Storytime @ 10:00 a.m.

July 19: Discover native North Dakota animals; presented by Red River Zoo and Brad Schmidt
August 16: Explore the life of fur traders & trappers in ND with Darrell & Sue Kersting

Breakfast with a Book - Summer Session

July 12: *Eleanor Oliphant is completely fine* by Gail Honeyman
August 9: *Mrs. Lincoln's Sisters* by Jennifer Chiaverini

Kindred Days Open House at the Library

Special activities are coming to the Library during Kindred Days! Saturday, August 12 following the parade, make your way to the Library for some fun outdoor activities and family fun!



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