

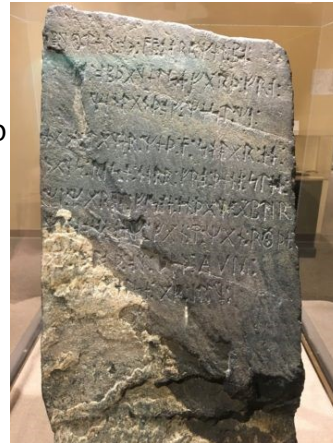
The Kensington Rune Stone

In 1898 when the ten year old son of Olof Ohman, who was farming two and half miles northeast of Kensington, found strange markings on a slab of rock that had just been pried out of the ground. The son, Edward, called his father's attention to the stone.

The father, who had been clearing trees and rocks from a level space on top of a hill 40 feet above the surrounding low land, saved the stone, and later showed it to prominent citizens in Kensington. No one was able to completely decipher the stone, until nine years later when Hjalmer R. Holand, a University of Wisconsin graduate student with a major in history, heard of the stone on a trip to Kensington.

Mr. Holand translated the stone and found it to read:

8 Goths and 22 Norwegians on exploration journey from Vinland over the west. We camp by 2 skerries one day-journey from this stone. We were and fished one day. After we came home, 10 men red with blood and tortured. Hail Virgin Mary, save from evil. Have 10 men by the sea to look after our ship, 14 day -journeys from this island year 1362.



The translation of this stone sparked an international search to find out if it could possibly be genuine. The Minnesota Historical society appointed five scholars to investigate, and after a year and half of work reported the stone genuine.

The Kensington Runestone is 31 inches high, 16 inches wide, six inches thick and weighs 202 pounds and can be viewed at Rune Stone Museum

Updates/Changes

Our goal is to provide accurate and up to date information. Information can change quickly so if you see something that should be added or if you find information that is out of date or inaccurate, please let us know.



Welcome to Kensington! "Home of the Runestone"
Listed is information and resources that will be helpful to you. If you have questions or concerns, contact the City Clerk for assistance.

Kensington City Hall:	Kensington Community Center 19 Central Avenue North PO Box 156 Kensington, MN 56343
Farwell-Kensington Sanitary District Office:	Kensington Community Center 19 Central Avenue North PO Box 70 Kensington, MN 56343
Office Hours:	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Monday - Friday
Phone:	(320) 965-2500
E-Mail:	ktown@runestone.net
Website:	www.kensingtonmn.com

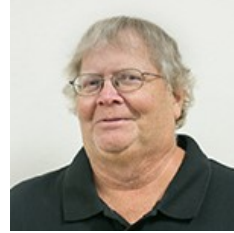
City of Kensington Elected & Appointed Officials



JIM SCHECKER
Mayor



JENNIFER KANGAS
City Clerk



PRYCE SCORE
Treasurer



JOHN GRAN
Councilmember



EMMY MAHEUX
Councilmember



BROCK GREEN
Councilmember



JOE MILES
Councilmember

The Kensington City Council meets the 1st Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Kensington Community Center.

Farwell-Kensington Sanitary District Elected & Appointed Officials



PRYCE SCORE
Board Chairman



JENNIFER KANGAS
Secretary/Treasurer



TODD EYSTAD
Kensington Board



RANDY NESSMAN
Kensington Board



KARIN ANDERSON
Farwell Board



LARRY HUSFELDT
Farwell Board



DENNIS DALAGER
Water Operator
People Service, Inc.



MIKE MOEN
Water Operator
People Service, Inc.

The Farwell Kensington Sanitary District (FKSD) board meets the 1st Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Kensington Community Center.

The History of Kensington

The land where Kensington is located was owned by Peter and Anna Greta Johnson, who had purchased it from early homesteader, Nils Ristburg, in Solem Township, Douglas County in 1882. The Johnson farm changed quickly in August, 1886 when Peter sold a strip of land running diagonally through his farm to the Minneapolis and Pacific Railway Company for a rail line to be built. Then on November 4, 1886 Johnson sold a portion of the farm to William D. Washburn for the surveying and platting of a village when a railroad station was located here. The plot was recorded in 1887. Washburn sold the original platted townsite to the Pacific Land Company with lots ready to sell for businesses and residential houses to be built.

A railroad worker, Mr. Maxfield, saw a beautiful flower garden in the area which reminded him of the famous Kensington Gardens in England and suggested the village be named Kensington.

The lots in the new town were sold quickly and construction activity was brisk as additional settlers arrived to establish their businesses and homes. Those pioneering businessmen organized the village government, laid the ground work for a school house and church, and invested in other business enterprises.

Kensington celebrated its Centennial in 1990. Ten village residents compiled, wrote, and published "Kensington's First 100 Years". The book outlines the early settlement of the area, development of the area townships and village, contains descriptions of many of the businesses, and profiles many of the area families.

For more information visit the [Kensington Heritage Society](http://www.kensingtonheritagesociety.com) website.



Business Directory

Sewing Services:

Karen Eystad Sewing

(320) 760-7695
Kensington, MN 56343
Alterations and general sewing services.

Sign Printing & Design:

Signmax

(320)846-9000
14 Central Avenue North
Kensington MN 56343
We design, print & install signs, vinyl banners, banner stands, yard signs, flags, decals, window perf, vehicle wraps & more.

Skiing:

Andes Tower Hills

(320)965-2455
4505 Andes Road SW
Kensington MN 56343
Down hill, cross country skiing, snow boarding and tubing.

Snow Removal:

JMJ Custom Services

Jared Johnson

(320)760-0507
Kensington MN 56343
Custom snow removal, plow and broom

Spillman Gravel & Snow Removal

Rick Spillman

(320)965-2794
12 Douglas Street East
Kensington MN 56343
Snow plowing services

Tree Cutting:

Tip Top Tree Service

Jeremy Buss
(320) 815-6634
7410 County Road 1 SW.
Kensington MN 56343
Tree trimming, stump grinding, topping, lot clearing, and tree removal

Trucking:

Kensington-Cyrus Truck Service

Tim Eystad

(320) 965-2525
16 Rostedt Street
Kensington MN 56343
Livestock and LTL freight hauling

Farmers Elevator of Kensington, MN Inc.

(320) 965-2521
22 Railway Street
Kensington MN 56343
Over the road trucking service traveling to 48 States and Canada. Full truck service repair.

Kuseske Enterprises Inc.

Allen Kuseske

(320-491-8608)
11 Railway Street E.
Kensington MN 56343
Local grain & fertilizer hauling.

Hagen Trucking, LLC

Boe Hagen

(320) 815-2559
15 Runestone Drive, PO Box 185
Kensington, MN 56343
Local gravel and step deck hauling.

Water & Sewer Services:



Water and sanitary sewer services are provided by the Farwell Kensington Sanitary District (FKSD) to residents of the City of Kensington.

The Farwell-Kensington Sanitary District contracts with PeopleService, Inc. to provide operators that operate and maintain our water and sewer system.



All new accounts will be charged a \$ 100.00 new account fee.

Billing for Water, Sewer and Garbage is done monthly around the 17th of every month and is due the 10th of the following month. Accounts not paid by the 10th of every month will be subject to a late fee of 10% of the total past due balance.

Payments can be made at the Farwell-Kensington Sanitary District office or drop box located in the Kensington Community Center located at 19 Central Avenue North, Kensington, at the Kensington Bank, or by mail to Farwell-Kensington Sanitary District, PO Box 70, Kensington, MN 56343. Water is metered and is charged a \$35.00 flat rate plus \$5.75 per thousand gallons of water used. Sewer is charged based on family size. **It is your responsibility to report any changes in household size immediately to Jennifer at 320-965-2500.**

Delinquent account notices will be sent anytime an account becomes 60 days past due, if the account reaches 90 days delinquent the customer's water service will be disconnected until payment in full has been made. Any account that is disconnected for reason of non-payment will be charged an \$ 25.00 fee for a disconnect and a \$25.00 fee for reconnect. In order to reconnect water service the homeowner must to be present when the water is turned back on.

For questions regarding utility bills, or problems with your water or sewer services please contact the Farwell Kensington Sanitary District during regular office hours at (320) 965-2500.

The Farwell Kensington Sanitary District is an Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer

Garbage & Recycling Services:



Garbage and recycling services for the City of Kensington are provided by Engebretson & Sons Disposal. Garbage and recycling fees are included in your water & sewer bill.

GARBAGE: All households are provided with a 68 gallon refuse container, that is charcoal grey in color. Garbage pickup is every Tuesday morning at approx. 7 am. Additional refuse containers are available upon request for an additional fee.

Extra garbage tags can also be purchased from the Farwell Kensington Sanitary District office for a cost of \$3.00 per tag. A tag is valid for one 33-gallon can or bag and must be attached to the can or bag in order to be picked up.

RECYCLING: All household are provided with a 68 gallon recycling container that is navy blue with tan lid. No sorting is required; it all goes together in the same container. A list of approved items can be found attached to the top of the lid. Recycling pickup is the 2nd Wednesday of every month at approx. 7am. Additional recycling containers are available upon request for an additional fee.

Electric Service:



Electric services are provided by Otter Tail Power Company. For more information, contact Otter Tail Power directly at (800) 257-4044.



Cable, Telephone, & Internet

The main provider of cable, telephone and internet services in the City of Kensington is Runestone Telecom Association. For more information, please contact Runestone Telecom directly at 320-986-2013

Business Directory

Liquor & Spirits:

Kensington Bar

(320) 965- 2746

13 Central Avenue North

Kensington MN 56343

On/Off sale, weekly specials, and special events.

Library:

Kensington Community Library

Kensington Community Center

19 Central Avenue North

Kensington MN 56343

Free library located in the Kensington community center when the community center is open.

Lodging:

Kensington Old Town Hall Inn

Julie Smith (320) 815-3498

30 1/2 Central Ave N.

Kensington, MN 56343

Build in the 1930's this is a unique and original old town hall that sleeps 16 people. Features include 5 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, games, wheelchair lift, washer & dryer, internet, modern kitchen and jacuzzi tub. 3 night minimum stay.

Manufacturing:

Low Pros LLC

Eric Peery (320) 219-0675

16 Central Avenue North,

Kensington MN 56343

Assembling and manufacturing

Nutrition Services:

Senior Nutrition Services

Kari (320) 986-2058 (Home Delivery)

(320) 965-2410 -(K-Town Café)

Home delivery meals, or congregate dining at the K-town Café. Meals for seniors 60+ Monday-Friday 11:00 am - 1pm, suggested price per meal \$4.00.

Photography:

Amanda Becker Photography

Amanda Becker (320) 808-0468

8 Railway Street W.

Kensington MN 56343

Specializing in children & family photography

Plumbing:

BMZ Plumbing

Ben Jannette (320) 965-9100

16953 State Hwy 27 W.

Kensington, MN 56343

Commercial & Light Residential Plumbing

Rentals:

Executive Sanitation Inc.

Chase Johnson

(844) 726-4828

7505 County Rd 103 SW

Kensington MN 56343

Portable toilets, hand washing stations and luxury bathroom trailers for rent. We offer high quality rentals that are clean and well kept. Our prices are competitive and our service is friendly.

Salvage/Scrap Dealer:

Jensen Salvage

Allen Jensen (320)424-9693

19641 Hwy. 27 W

Kensington MN 56343

We buy cans!

Sewer Cleaning & Pipe

Inspection Services:

Johnson Jet-Line

Chase Johnson (320)965-2374

7505 County Road 103 SW

Kensington MN 56343

Sewer ceaning, CCTV pipe inspections, jetting-vacuum services, locating and tracing and CIPP spot repair.

Business Directory

Digital Media Services:

Memories Converted

Chad Simpson (320) 815-2282

38 Central Avenue North

Kensington MN 56343

Convert your precious slides, negatives, 8 & 16mm reel to reel film, 8mm or VHS videos to DVD.

Dining/Restaurants:

Kensington Café (320) 965-2410

15 Central Avenue North

Kensington MN 56343

Full menu, evening specials, catering & special events

Excavating Services:

Affordable Excavating

Dave Reque (320) 283-5700

15205 360th Avenue

Farwell MN 56327

See us for all your excavating needs.

Financial Institutions:

Kensington Bank

(320) 965-2419

11 Central Avenue North

Kensington MN 56343

Check out our great accounts and services.

Gas Stations:

Crossroads

Rick & Judi Andreasen

(320) 965-2746

11 Railway Street West

Kensington MN 56343

Gas, groceries, food on the go, bait, tackle & laundromat.

Gifts:

Carvers Edge (320) 304-2400

19701 State Hwy 27 W

Kensington, MN 56343

Unique and lasting hand carved gifts.

Groceries:

Crossroads

Rick & Judi Andreasen

(320) 965-2746

11 Railway Street West

Kensington MN 56343

Gas, groceries, food on the go, bait, tackle & laundromat.

Kensington Supermarket

Daryl Moe (320) 965-2746

20 Central Avenue North

Kensington MN 56343

Groceries and bakery items

Insurance:

Runestone Insurance

(320) 965-6254

26 Central Avenue North

Kensington MN 56343

See Agents: Todd Bright, & Josh Andreasen for all your insurance needs. We offer all lines of Insurance: Home, Auto, Farm, Business, Life, Medicare Supplements, Crop, Work Comp, Bonds, and Annuities.

Laundromat:

Crossroads

Rick & Judi Andreasen

(320) 965-2746

11 Railway Street West

Kensington MN 56343

Gas, groceries, food on the go, bait, tackle & laundromat

Lawn Care:

Eisel Lawn Care

Rebecca Eisel

(320) 760-3049

11 County Road 26 South

Farwell MN 56327

Lawn mowing and trimming

Emergency Services:

In an emergency, always dial 9-1-1

Kensington Fire Department

10 1/2 State Street, Kensington

Fire Chief, Todd Eystad

Non-emergency # (320) 760-2382

Kensington First Responders:

10 1/2 State Street, Kensington

EMR Coordinator, Rebecca Eisel

Non-emergency # (320) 760-3049

Kensington Fire & Rescue is a volunteer fire department that currently has 25 members. Business meetings are held in the fire hall the second Tuesday of every month and training meetings are the fourth Tuesday of every month.



Animal Control:

All dogs & cats 6 months and older residing within the City of Kensington must be licensed regardless of indoor/outdoor status. No more than 3 dogs are allowed per household. License are valid for one year and are \$10.00 each if purchased before July 1. Delinquent license cost \$30.00 each. Rabies & Distemper are required and shot records must be provided at the time of licensing. Licenses must be obtained from the City Clerk.



Lawn Mowing:

All grass clippings, leaves, etc. must be blown into the lawn and not in the street.

Parking Restrictions:

There is no parking allowed on City streets from 2 a.m. to 6 a.m. from October 15 to April 1. This parking restriction is for snow removal and any vehicles parked in the street between these hours during snow removal will be towed at the owner expense. If your vehicle has been towed please contact Glen's Towing at 320-834-4462 to recover your vehicle.

Tower Street: Due to the narrowness of Tower Street the City has requested that street parking at any time be limited to only the North side of the street.





Election Information:

Voting for the primary, general and special elections is held at the Kensington Community Center. Voting hours are from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Those wishing to run for City Council or Farwell Kensington Sanitary District board member can file at the City Clerk's office during the designated time period for doing so. Official notices regarding filing periods and elections will be published in the Grant County Herald-Herman Review-Hoffman Tribune and posted at the Kensington Community Center.

To register to vote, please pick up a voter registration card from the Douglas County Auditor's Office, or register online at <http://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/register-to-vote>.

City Dump:

The City of Kensington has a yard waste disposal site for our residents to use free of charge. Branches can be no larger than 3" in diameter and all **yard** waste such as grass clippings, leaves etc. must be taken out of bags. **No garbage, wood or cardboard is allowed.** To access the dump you can contact the City Clerk, Mayor, or any Council member.



Kensington Community Center:

The Kensington Community Center is available to rent for any occasion such as wedding, funerals, birthdays, showers, anniversaries, fundraisers, and meetings etc. The Community Center features a full commercial kitchen, meeting room, dining room, large event room, spacious bathrooms and is fully handicapped accessible. We even have office space available for rent. The deposit and rental fee is based on the room(s) you wish to rent. If you are interested in additional information about renting the Community Center please contact the City Clerk.



Business Directory

Automotive Services:

Blascyk Auto Body

Jason Blascyk

(320) 965-2624

12 Central Avenue North

Kensington, MN 56343

Auto body repair & painting, full auto body restorations, tires & batteries

Exhaust Pros & Custom Welding

Lynn Rosdail

(320) 965-2237

17144 State Hwy 27 West

Kensington MN 56343

Custom welding & fabricating services

Runestone Auto Care

Todd Hyatt (320) 965-2600

18 Central Avenue North

Kensington MN 56343

Complete automotive mechanical repairs

Beauty Salons & Services:

Lake Life Style Salon & Hair Studio

Jennifer Eisel (320) 266-7452

22 Central Avenue North

Kensington MN 56343

Building/Construction:

Koloski Drywall, LLC

Andy Koloski

(320) 808-7485

Contact us for all your drywall taping & texturing needs.

Cody Krienke Construction

Dave Krienke (701) 566-2274

Kensington, MN 56343

Contact us for all your construction needs.

Runestone Construction Inc.

Ryan Suckstorff (320) 304-4082

Kensington, MN 56343

Specializing in post frame construction and residential work.

Scott Marlow Carpet Installation

Scott Marlow (320) 808-8383

Kensington, MN 56343

Commercial and residential flooring installation

Camping:

Andes RV & Campground

(320) 965-2455

4505 Andes Rd SW

Kensington, MN 56343

45 full service hookup camping sites with full bathhouse for daily and monthly rental. Rustic Cabin rentals are also available.

Childcare:

Learning Train Childcare

Maria Braaten

(320) 965-2303

12 Railway Street West

Kensington MN 56343

Licensed daycare with fenced in play area and food program.

Consignment & Auction

Ma & Pas Treasures Consignment & Auction

Philip & Mary Arneson

(763) 571-5345

Kensington, MN 56343

K-Bid affiliate on-line consignment, estate, e-commerce and retail auctions.

Consultants:

Pure Romance

Nicole Smith (320) 815-3043

Tupperware

Julie Smith (320) 815-3498

Tastefully Simple

Tina Kuseske (320) 491-8707

Business Directory

Aggregate (Construction):

Affordable Excavating

Dave Reque (320) 283-5700

15205 360th Avenue
Farwell, MN 56327
Gravel * Black Dirt * Rock

Spillman Gravel & Snow Removal

Rick Spillman (320) 965-2794

12 Douglas Street East
Kensington MN 56343
Gravel * Black Dirt* Rock* Sand

Agricultural, Chemicals/

Fertilizers:

Nutrien Ag Solutions

(320) 965-2241

10 Viking Drive
Kensington MN 56343
Fertilizers & Chemicals for Ag & Home,
Scouting & Custom Application Services

Agricultural, Seeds & Feeds:

A & A Seeds

Allan & Amanda Becker

(320) 815-1971

20837 Pope Douglas SW
Kensington MN 56343
Doboy & Tendreen Live Stock Feed and
RobSeeCo Seeds

Bright Seeds Inc.

Todd Bright (320) 808-3529

7421 County Rd 1 SW,
Kensington MN 56343
Channel Seed Dealer, handing corn and soy
bean seed, and soy bean treating.

Staples Seed Service

Mike Staples (320) 965-2333

10219 Co. Rd. 1 SW
Kensington MN 56343
Pioneer Seed Dealer

Nutrien Ag Solutions

(320) 965-2241

10 Viking Drive
Kensington MN 56343
Seed dealer for multiple seed brands.

Apartments/Housing:

Brainard & Son LLC.

Rune Stone Mobile Home Park

Lance Brainard (320) 424-2309

Kensington, MN 56343
14 lot property. Lots for lease and mobile
homes for rent. Please call for additional
information and availability.

Larren, LLC Apartments

Doug & Laurie Musselman

(320) 424-1206

4-plex apartment building, 1 level, 1-
bedroom apartments with laundry on site
and single family residential housing in
Kensington. Please call for additional infor-
mation & availability.

Runestone Grand LLC

Stuberg Investments, LLC

Craig Idso

(320) 349-5006

8-Plex apartment building, Spacious 1 or 2
bedroom apartments in Kensington.
Please call for additional information &
availability.

TSI Real Estate

Torrey & Anna Westrom

(218) 685-6299

Single family residential rental housing in
Kensington. Please call for additional infor-
mation & availability.

West Central Area Schools



The West Central Area School District # 2342 has locations in Kensington, Barrett and Elbow Lake. The Cities that make up the district are: Kensington, Hoffman, Barrett, Elbow Lake and Wendell. The district has approx. 750 kids and class sizes range from 10-24 students depending on the grade. The district offers free early childhood programs for children ages 3 and up in both elementary locations. These programs are designed to help children prepare for school readiness, this includes self-help skills, social skills, health and safety issues and other skills as identified by our district. Our district has a smart boards in every classroom, which allows the students to complete activities and see work as it is being completed. Along with smart boards students in preschool thru second grade use Kindles, third thru sixth grade use I-Pads, and seventh thru twelfth grade use Chrome Books.

WCA South Elementary was named a National Blue Ribbon School by the MN Department of Education in 2011 and was recognized as a Reward School for the 2016-2017 school year.



In 2017 renovations were completed to all 3 school campuses to accommodate for new secured entrances, which increased safety for our students. Also during the summer of 2017 a new playground was installed at the WCA South Elementary campus with all new equipment, basketballs courts, trees and green space for outdoor learning.

For more information regarding WCA Schools please visit their web site at www.isd2342.org.



WCA South Elementary (Pre-K-4th)

31 N Central Ave
Kensington, MN 56343
Phone - 320-965-7600
Fax - 320-965-2264

WCA Middle & High School (5th-12th)

301 County Road # 2
Barrett, MN 56311
Phone - 320-528-7400
Fax - 320-528-2609

WCA North Elementary (Pre-K-4th)

411 First Street SE
Elbow Lake, MN 56531
Phone - 218-685-7500
Fax - 218-685-4149

Area Churches



Our Lady of the Runestone Catholic Church **Father Peter Krichner**

11 Runestone Drive, Kensington, MN

Church Office: 320-965-2596

Email: ourladyoftherunestone@gmail.com

Worship: Thursday at 7 pm, Friday at 9am, and Sunday at 8:30 am. Faith Formation is held Wed at 6:30 pm. Other Events: Fall Festival 4th Sunday of September.



First Lutheran Church (ELCA)

Pastor Irvin Arnquist

Neighbors in Faith Lutheran Parish of First & Nora

Where God says Welcome Home

25 State Street E, Kensington, MN

Church Office: 320-965-2549

Email: 1stluther@runestone.net

Coffee & snacks every Sunday @ 10:00 am. Worship: Sunday Services alter between 9:00 am and 11:00 am. Check Neighbors in Faith Facebook page for exact times. Sunday School: 10 AM pre school thru high school Sept—May. Naomi Bible Study 2nd Thursday of every month at Church. Other Events: Ladies WELCA meets first Wed of the month at 7:00 pm, choir practice Wed @ 7 pm, Prayer Partner Brunch 1st Sat. in Dec., Country Fair in Sept., Meatball dinner 1st Sun. in March, Salad Luncheon 1st Sat. in May, Hog Roast 1st Sun. in Oct, Soup & Sandwiches are served at 6pm before Lenten services.



Kensington Covenant Church

Pro-life, pro-family church. Teachings are Bible Based

16 Railway Street W, Kensington, MN

Church Office: 320-965-2331

Worship @ 11 AM and Sunday School at 10 AM. Sunday School is combined with Kensington Lutheran LCMC –Adults meet at the Kensington community center & children/youth meet at Kensington Covenant Church. Other events: Annual St. Patrick's Day pizza and movie event, annual fall harvest festival concert and mid week Lenten Services.

Organizations and Contact People



Working Wonders 4-H

Kevin Holl 320-965-2291 or

University of MN Extension Office

Douglas County 320-762-3890

4-H is a Global Youth Organization that help youth to develop citizenship, leadership, responsibility and life skills. They do this by doing projects in different areas of agriculture, science or home economics. 4-H also has camps to help with leadership skills. 4-H's motto is "Learning by Doing" If interested in joining please contact us.



Kensington Area Heritage Society (KAHS)

Sheena Haack 1-612-810-3253

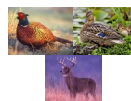
The KAHS is a membership based organization that operates a museum research center at the corner of Hwy 55 and Central Ave. The museum houses family, business, church, and school files pertinent to the history of the Kensington area. The archives also contain one of the world's most extensive collections relative to research surrounding the Kensington Rune Stone. The museum is located in Kensington's former creamery building and open by appointment.



Kensington Commercial Club

Todd Bright 320-965-6254

The Kensington Commercial Club is a group of local business who's goal is to give back to the community. They coordinate the annual Runestone Days Street Dance, they also contribute to a variety of community, city & school based events/projects such as: Santa Days and Dollars for Scholars and much more.



West Central Hunters for Habitat

Dale Swanson 320-965-2771

West Central Hunters for Habitat helps with conservation projects around the area. They include habitat and food-plot programs, they also assist in the Youth Outdoor Activity Day in Alexandria each August.



Kensington Norsemen Baseball Team

Eric Paulzine 320-424-0412

Class C amateur baseball for high school ages and up. Order you gear at: teamlocker.squadlocker.com/#/lockers/kensington-norsemen-baseball.

Kensington-Morris Bald Eagles Baseball Team (K-MRS)

Mike Hagen 612-799-5627

Men's baseball team for ages 35 and older.



Hoffman-Kensington Food Shelf

701-640-9806

Open Tues & Wed from 11 am to 1 pm and the first Sat of each month from 9 am to noon. Alternate times can be made with an appointment. Located in Hoffman Square behind the Senior Center. Open to anyone in need of food or other services.



Kensington Volunteer Fire Department

Todd Eystad, Fire Chief 320-815-4437

Kensington Fire & Rescue offers fire protection and has trained medical first responders on roster. If you are interested in joining please contact the Fire Chief.

Organizations and Contact People



Alcoholics Anonymous

Jeanne Stamness 320-965-2336 / 320-219-3663 (C)
Meets Wednesday at 7 pm at Kensington Community Center.



Kensington Lions Club

Georgia Nelson 320-965-2635

Volunteers that serve our community, and promote the principles of good government and good citizenship. To take an active interest in the civic, cultural, social and moral welfare of the community.



Kensington American Legion Post 268

Ted Peterson 320-805-0696

Kensington American Legion Post 268 supports & advocates for veterans, active military members & their families. They educate the community about the ideals of freedom & foster patriotism through programs & community events. All veterans and active military are invited to join.



Kensington American Legion Auxiliary

Diane Johnson 320-424-3110

Kensington American Legion Auxiliary supports & advocates for veterans, active military members & their families. They educate the community about the ideals of freedom & foster patriotism through programs & community events. The Auxiliary welcomes family members of a veterans or active military to join.



50 Plus Club

Georgia Nelson 320-965-2635

Meets the 2nd Tues of every month at 1:15 pm in the Kensington Community Center. The 50 plus club is a community based organization and a resource agency for seniors, their club has social outings, learning opportunities and offers community support in many different ways.



Red Hat Society

Mary Suckstorff 320-965-2338

The Route 55 Red Hat Club consists of ladies over the age of 60. Monthly events are scheduled to area tourist attractions & restaurants, their goal is social interaction & having fun together. Members are from Kensington and other surrounding towns. They welcome new members.



Kensington Whist Club

Gail Hedner 320-283-5588

The Kensington Whist Club plays every Tues night at Kensington Community Center. Rotational draw starts at 7:00 pm, so get here early to get your name entered. Everyone is welcome.



West Central Area South PTO

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WCA South Parent Teacher Organization is a nonprofit parent teacher organization (PTO) whose mission is to institute and sustain a close relationship between the parents, teachers, and students by evolving opportunities within the home, school, and community. The PTO provides assistance to teachers within the classroom settings, raises funds for educational materials and experiences, advocates school and family social interaction, and provides an unbiased forum for sharing information on issues that impact our children. It is our belief that the team effort of a parent teacher organization offers the best possible learning environment for our children.

Area Churches



Kensington Lutheran LCMC

Pastor Nathan Hanson

A fellowship committed to the authority of scripture & living out faith in service to our community & world. We are here for you.

Kensington Community Center

19 Central Avenue North, Kensington, MN

Pastor Cell: 605-659-6214

Worship Jan– June @ 8:30 July– Dec @ 10:30 AM and Sunday School @ 10 AM. Sunday School is combined with Kensington Covenant Church—Adults meet at community center & children/youth @ Kensington Covenant Church. Other Events: Annual Palm Sunday brunch @ 10:00 AM, Youth Group grades 6th – 12th twice a month, Mid week Lenten Services.



Nora Lutheran Church ELCA

Neighbors in Faith Lutheran Parish of First & Nora

Rural Kensington—4 1/2 Miles South

Pastor Irvin Arnquist

Church Office: 320-965-2549

Coffee & snacks every Sunday @ 10:00 am. Worship: Sunday Services alter between 9:00 am and 11:00 am. Check Neighbors in Faith Facebook page for exact times. Sunday School: 10 AM pre school thru high school Sept—May. Communion: 1st & 3rd Sundays. Other Activities: The Sunday School class takes part in regular worship several Sundays during the year & have a Christmas program yearly the Sunday before Christmas Eve. Nora Lutheran Church Women (NLCW) meet at 1:30 pm the 2nd Thurs. of the month, the NLCW also has a mission projects group which meets regularly to create quilts and other items to be sent to Lutheran World Relief & other places there is a need. Annual ham dinner in October.

Parks & Recreation:

Kensington Rune Stone Days:

Rune Stone Days is Kensington's annual town celebration that is held every Fathers Day weekend. Thursday night is the Little Miss Rune Stone Pageant, Friday night is typically family night, with food, inflatables for kids, DJ, and fire works, Saturday is filled with fun events for the whole family followed by the Kensington Street Dance. Sunday is the car show, parade, and tractor pull.



Kensington Memorial Park

Kensington Memorial Park was established in 2015. The park has both a gazebo and picnic shelter with picnic tables, veterans monument, engraved pavers, charcoal grills and beautiful landscaping. It's a place where residents can come together to maintain a sense of communi-

ty, where travelers can stop and have a picnic lunch, where family members can come to reflect on the memory of a loved one and where we can honor the service and sacrifice that our area veterans have made for our country. Many community events throughout the year are held here.

Kensington Rune Stone Park

Kensington Runestone Park is located on the historic Olaf Ohman farm and discovery site of the Kensington Rune Stone. The park is located about 3 miles Northeast of Kensington and consists of 304 acres of wooded, gently rolling land with beautiful landscapes. The park has indoor restrooms, picnic shelters, and a playground. Newly developed dedicated mountain bike trails, and nearly 8 miles of multi-use trails to ride, run, and hike on. Groomed cross country ski trails and sledding hills are available in the winter. The trails weave through the oak, maple, and aspen forest mixing in lakes and small prairie meadows. The shelters may be reserved by calling the Douglas County Park Division office at 320-762-2966.



Parks & Recreation:



Andes Tower Hills

Downhill Skiing, Cross Country Skiing, Snow Boarding and Tubing, Hiking and Biking trails. Andes also features a new campground complete with 45 full service hookup camping sites with full bathhouse for daily and monthly rental. Rustic Cabin rentals are also available.



Kensington Area Heritage Society Museum

The museum is located in the old Kensington Creamery Building on the corner of MN Hwy 55 and Central Avenue S. The museum features the original Kensington train depot, and jail, the story of the Kensington Rune Stone and the community in which it was discovered. The museum currently has about 600 sq. ft. of display space, a gift shop, and the 350 sq. ft. J.A. Wedum Library houses the Society's research materials pertinent to the Rune Stone, pre-Columbian settlement/ exploration of North America, the Kensington community business, family histories, churches, etc. The museum is open by appointment only please call 320-965-2573.

Areas Lakes for Fishing and Water Entertainment

Kensington has multiple area lakes within 10 miles that are great for fishing or water fun.

- Oscar Lake
- Elk Lake
- Pocket Lake
- Red Rock
- Freeborn
- Blackwell
- Grant
- Pomme De Terre River

