



### Holiday Hours

Our office will be closed for the following holidays:  
Monday, September 1st for Labor Day  
Thursday, November 27th for Thanksgiving

### Website Compass Magazine is here

Get the latest Internet tips and online tools. Find it online at [www.kmtel.com](http://www.kmtel.com) or stop in and pick up a hardcopy.

### Call 811 Before You Dig!

One free easy call gets your utility lines marked and helps protect you from injury and unforeseen expenses. Call before you dig!

### Recycle Old Directories

Remember to recycle your old directories. There is a recycling bin located in our office for your convenience.



### KMTelecom

18 Second Avenue NW  
Kasson, MN 55944-1491  
Kasson, Mantorville Area 634-2511  
Rock Dell Area 634-2511 (FREE call)  
Dodge Center Area 633-2511

### Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm  
For help with service problems during non-business hours, please call 634-2505.

### 24/7 Internet Help Desk

Kasson, Mantorville Area 634-2575  
Rock Dell Area 634-2575 (FREE call)  
Dodge Center Area 633-2575

### Visit Us Online

[www.kmtel.com](http://www.kmtel.com)



## Streamline Homework with High Speed Internet

Is your family ready for the pace of another busy school year? If your Internet connection is sluggish, this is a great time to upgrade to high speed Internet service from KMTelecom.

You'll get fast and reliable Internet access at speeds up to 20 times faster than a typical dial-up connection. This will streamline all of your family's online activities, including the research your kids need to do for homework. Plus, our high speed Internet service comes with the features you want most, including:

- Security Health Checkup
- Up to 6 FREE E-Mail Accounts
- Use of the DSL Modem - FREE

- 24/7 Help Desk Service
- Add VEMail, it's FREE – VEMail sends a copy of your voicemail message to your e-mail account. Check your voicemail from your computer. Requires a voicemail feature on your phone line.

KMTelecom makes it easy for you to make the switch to high speed Internet as well. Our monthly rates are affordable and vary with the bandwidth you choose. We'll also do the installation for you, free of charge as long as you call before September 30, 2008.

Switch to KMTelecom's high speed Internet now and your kids' school year will be off to a smart start. For more details, give us a call at 634-2511.

*Back to School Special – FREE High Speed Internet Installation when you call before September 30, 2008!*

## Changing of the Guards

Alyssa is back full time as Receptionist with a new name, Alyssa McCabe. She took a short break from KMTelecom to focus on college full time. Alyssa has since returned to KMTelecom because of a change in other positions within our company. Welcome back Alyssa.

Abby Rager, Customer Service Representative, is transitioning in to a new position as Business Account Representative. She will be spending half of her time working with our business customers and the other half handling accounting duties. As a result of Abby's new position, Robin Martin has accepted the Customer Service Representative roll. Robin's move from her current Receptionist position will happen with Abby's move.



Alyssa McCabe,  
Receptionist



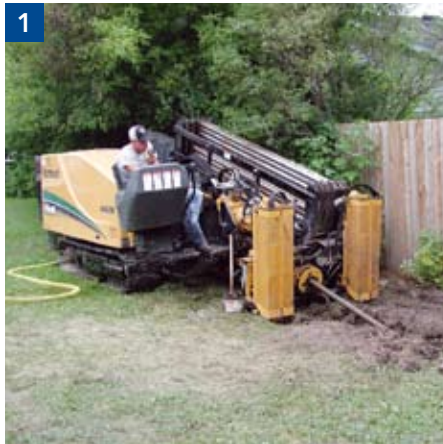
Abby Rager,  
Business Account Representative



Robin Martin,  
Customer Service Representative

## FTTH Update in Kasson

Fiber-to-the-Home (FTTH) construction is well underway in Kasson. Many customers have questions about the construction process and the new equipment being installed. We appreciate the interest everyone has shown and hope these photos will help you better understand the stages in constructing this new FTTH network.



- 1 Directional Bore:** A directional bore is used to install the underground conduit which will contain the main fiber optic cables for the FTTH network. The conduit is buried 48 inches below the soil surface. There are as many as three directional bore crews working on the project in different areas of Kasson.
- 2 Drop Crew:** Construction crews are burying fiber optic cable to the home. The fiber is buried 18–24 inches deep. The crews are taking great care to bore under driveways and sidewalks and do their best to avoid landscaping in yards.
- 3 Main Line Conduit:** The main line conduit consists of four color-coded conduit holding the main line fiber optic cable. A handhole is placed to hold this conduit.
- 4 Handhole:** This handhole is a distribution point where the main line of fiber optic cables is located.

The goal for 2008 is to complete the first half of our FTTH construction in Kasson. That will include burying 50 miles of fiber. The second half of construction in Kasson is expected to be complete in 2009.



**5 Orange Conduit:** A stub of conduit is shown here. A pedestal will be installed at the site of the conduit stub.

**6 Fiber Pedestal:** The pedestal at the very right in this picture is a fiber pedestal. The directional bore places the conduit to this pedestal. That conduit holds the fiber optic cable. This pedestal delivers the FTTH service to each home or business within a neighborhood. The other two pedestals contain other utilities.

**7 Conduit Fiber Drop:** This is a fiber “drop” to a home. This box is a termination point for the fiber on the outside of the home. It will later be connected inside the home.

**8 Splicer:** Fiber splicer terminating Fiber-to-the-Home (FTTH).



## Fun Ways to Use Your High Speed Internet Connection

### Online Photo Galleries

[www.flickr.com](http://www.flickr.com)

[www.kodakgallery.com](http://www.kodakgallery.com)

[www.smugmug.com](http://www.smugmug.com)

### Blogging

[www.blogger.com](http://www.blogger.com)

[www.wordpress.com](http://www.wordpress.com)

[www.typepad.com](http://www.typepad.com)

### Book Vacations Online

[www.travelocity.com](http://www.travelocity.com)

[www.orbitz.com](http://www.orbitz.com)

[www.expedia.com](http://www.expedia.com)

### Play Your Favorite Game Show

[www.wheeloffortune.com](http://www.wheeloffortune.com)

[www.millionairetv.com/game](http://www.millionairetv.com/game)

[www.nbc.com/Deal\\_or\\_No\\_Deal/game](http://www.nbc.com/Deal_or_No_Deal/game)

## Win Credit on Your KMTelecom Bill

Enter for your chance to win a \$25 credit on your KMTelecom bill. Just return this coupon to our office by September 30, 2008 to be eligible for the drawing.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

## Enjoy the Advantages of Digital TV

Have you made the move to KMTV from KMTelecom yet? If not, this is a good time to do so. You'll get great features like:

### More than 190 Popular Channels

Including local programming, news, movies, sports, and music — add great premium channels like HBO, Cinemax, Starz!/Encore and Showtime.

### Digital Video Recorder (DVR)\*

Lets you pause and rewind live TV. Watch what you want, when you want, without missing a minute.

### On-Screen Caller ID

There's no need to run to the phone when it rings just to see who's calling. With KMTV service, the caller's name and number appear on your TV screen so you can prioritize your calls.

### Interactive Program Guide

Create a customized channel list so you see only those channels you watch the most. Or search for programs by title, actor and more.

### Parental Controls

Use this easy feature to control your children's access to television programming and movies. You decide what you want them watching in your home.

For details, call KMTelecom at 634-2511 or visit [www.kmtel.com](http://www.kmtel.com).

*\*This service is only available in Kasson at this time.*

## Scholarship Winners Announced!

KMTelecom is pleased to announce the 2008 scholarship recipients. KMTelecom has been a supporter of continuing education for many years through its contribution to the Dollars for Scholars scholarship fund. This year, \$8,650.00 in awards will be split between the following 2008 graduates. Congratulations graduates!



**Matthew Badzinski** - Matt is the son of Robert Badzinski and Brenda Harrison. In the fall, he plans to attend the University of Minnesota, Duluth and major in Electrical Engineering.



**Mitchell Hemann** - In the fall, Mitch plans to attend the University of Notre Dame and major in Chemistry and Russian Language. He is the son of Nicholas Hemann and Julie Hemann.



**Eric Johnson** - Eric is the son of Allan and Rhonda Johnson. He plans to attend St. Olaf College in the fall and pursue a degree in Computer Science.



**Jill Larson** - Jill plans to attend the University of Wisconsin, La Crosse and major in Pre-Medicine and Biology. She is the daughter of Duane and Diane Larson.



**Courtney Lentz** - Courtney is the daughter of Allen and Coni Lentz. She plans to attend the University of Minnesota, Morris and major in Elementary Education and Psychology.