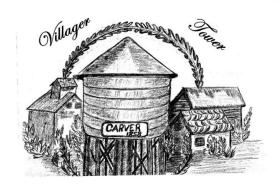
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Dedicated in Memory of George Breeggemann, David Lano and Gary Diethelm Also Dedicated to the Loving Memories of Tom, Melissa, Joy, James and Jesse

For Pauline

As most of the world has heard blasted across the airwaves a 'horrible crash in Kansas for Minnesota family'. How does the circle of friends close to the victims process this tragedy? Much less the mother of these children who has been already coping with the trials and tribulations since the loss of her husband a little over five years ago? Many of us locally know of or knew Pauline Kerber and her family. Many of us know her children, have interacted with all of them. The whole concept is unfathomable. The loss of such young lives. So much of their future ahead of them. The individual struggles each experienced personally now cut short and gone. Why? What was the purpose? Even though we don't understand and probably never will, there is a reason in the bigger scheme in the lives we all live. There is a loss of words and an awful void for those who are left behind to cope with this awful tragedy. I considered Pauline my friend and feel the necessity to publicly support her in her time of loss. I know her children. I am at a loss of what to say to make it easier for her and her family because there are not words to soothe their pain.

I am not even sure that it is of any comfort knowing that those who are her friends support her; helps to ease their pain. Nonetheless they don't know that you are there if you don't tell them. Heartfelt sympathies go out to Pauline and her family. It may be the only bright light in this whole tragic event is that Tom (Melissa), Joy, James, and Jessie are once again with their dad that they missed horribly.

Ordinances and Resolutions

The council reviewed with the administration the topic regarding sanitation pick up times and the discussion held to change the time to 7 AM due to the increase of complaints. A proposed ordinance amendment had been drafted for the council to approve. Licensed sanitation personnel had been contacted regarding the change and those changes have been implemented to 7 AM. Motion was made and carried by all ayes adopting the ordinance amending the ordinance in relation to garbage, refuse and recyclables.

The administrator explained the existing ordinance pertaining to load limit allowances for special permit issuance on city streets. State Statute would prohibit this action. The special load limit permit's primary purpose was discussed with the council. The existing ordinance also contains an unusual provision for established truck routes by the local county commissioner. The attorney had been asked to amend the ordinance simplifying compliance with state requirements, eliminating the special permit program and other outdated provisions. The program was unique to the city, as there were no other cities in the county with a similar program. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting the ordinance amending section relating to load limits on city streets and highways.

Bonds

The council reviewed with the financial consultant the process involving the sale of General Obligation Water Revenue Refunding Bonds affecting an advance crossover refunding of the 2015 through 2025 maturities. The Standard and Poor's has given the city an 'AA' rating. Bids were received on the crossover bonds. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting resolution providing for the issuance and sale of General Obligation Water Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012A, and pledging net revenues for the payment thereof. The representative from the financial firm was presented with a Certificate of Accommodation for financial services to the City of Carver with a huge thank you from the council. Statement was reflected in appreciation for the hard work helping the city to become financially solvent.

Carver Black Sox

The BlackSox website state that their first practice is scheduled for Tuesday, April 10th at 6 PM. Their schedules for practice, upcoming events, upcoming games and anything else you might want to know about the Carver Black Sox can be found on their website.

(www.carverblacksox.com) Check it out!

Trail Connection Project

The council reviewed the issue of the trail connection project. The city's trail system and its connectivity have greatly improved with new residential and commercial development. As well as the additional regional trail along the Union Pacific Rail Road rail line in downtown Carver. There are, however, still gaps within the system caused by topography and older development. Some neighborhoods are isolated from the city trail and park system. With city growth and development continuing trail connections will become necessary and continuity will be evident down the road.

Trail connections were identified at the Walkable Communities Workshop. There was an area identified without any trail existing. Residents are visible walking, biking, etc on roads. An unpaved trail exists on the US Fish and Wildlife property to the Levee Trail in downtown, however, the development nearest to this lacks in a walking path, sidewalk or trail leading to this trailhead and not suitable for anything with wheels. The council reviewed options available making the connection to the Carver Bluffs neighborhood. The city planner reviewed possible funding sources and discussed estimated costs relating to this item. A feasibility study has already been completed relating to trails. Council consensus was that grant availability should be researched.

Storm Water Utility Fee

The engineer updated the council on the storm sewer utility fee, and, discussing households that are not paying the fee. The fee was instituted in 2004 for the purpose of offsetting expenses relating to storm water management and improvements. The annual municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS 4 Program) was mandated by the state and federal units of government without a funding source. This utility fee is used to pay for this program and other storm water management expenses. Question was asked why payment for this fee is necessary when there are no visible pipes or structures adjacent to properties. The response was that surface water discharges from the proper to some type of system be it a ditch, swale, roadway, ravine or pond. The city being a MS4 community is responsible for management of this runoff in the city limits.

The council discussed the number of properties in the city limits presently not paying any utilities fee but are still under the current ordinance for storm water fees. The staff has proposed forwarding a letter explaining the fee, use of the fee and invitation extended to attend the meeting to review the utility fee. Then further direction can be given for implementation of the fee. The staff was directed to pursue forwarding the letter discussed.

Fourth Street and Sixth Street

The city engineer requested reviewal on the proposed project regarding the Fourth Street bridge and the 6th Street reconstruction project, along with communication schedule with feedback given to the staff. The following areas have been earmarked for the capital improvement plan on the bridge on Fourth Street, Fourth Street West from Broadway to Elm Drive and Sixth Street East from Lime Street to County Road # 40. A feasibility study had been completed reviewing improvements along Fourth Street West and estimated costs were recently updated. The historical aspect of the bridge on Fourth Street warranted the city working with the Army Corp of Engineers as far as restoration and replacement. The corp is completing their final review of the study in preparation for processing with the State Historical Preservation Office. A meeting has been scheduled with the director of State Historical office so she can better understand the situation concerning the bridge.

Plans are to apply for State Bridge Bond funds, as well as using assessments and various funds to pay for the improvements. Various options have been investigated. The options include restoration of the bridge to its original condition, repair and maintain as is, or replacement, plus a few other alternatives requiring further analyzation due to the historical designation. The corp of engineers will be reviewing these options with the State Historical Preservation Office. The Heritage Preservation Committee previously discussed the bridge on Fourth Street and their involvement will be necessary with discussions too.

Also completed was investigation on various options of Fourth Street West and Sixth Street East relating to reconstruction of the street, burying power lines and new lighting.

More public input is requested proposing an "walking" open house for public participation in the information process relating to improvements on the streets specified. A project website opening was also discussed. Updated plans for the Fourth Street project were requested. The administrator wants more feedback form the council and residents first.

Gions Park Reconstruction

The Lions Park tennis and basketball courts have suffered the effects of time in need of overhaul. The Park and Recreation Board supervisor has assessed the park and researched options for a length of time. It is the supervisor's opinion that the courts have reached their life expectancy and repairs would not solve the problems. Furthermore, the project is not included in the Parks Dedication Study and cannot be permanently funded from those specific dollars. However, a plan has been devised allowing the possibility of this project. Statement was made that the construction of these new courts is necessary, providing the residents with recreational variety opportunities. The payment proposal was presented to the council. It was also pointed out that the Lions had also donated funding for this project. Motion was made and carried with all ayes approving the Lions Park Tennis Court and Basketball Court construction project for the quoted price.

Announcement

Congratulations to Beth and Dan Armstrong on the birth of their son, Alexander Matthew Armstrong on March 13th, 2012 at 8:15 PM. Alexander weighed in 6 lbs 10 oz and was 18" long the Waconia Ridgeview Medical Center reported. Big brother, Matthew has been duly appointed as 'Chief Role Model Big Brother'. There are no doubts that the young man can live up to the expectations of the role appointed. Grandpa Lee, Grandma Rosie and Grandpa Robert are all just as excited as the new parents with their newest addition to their families.



Congratulations!!!!!

Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass.....it is learning to dance in the rain

Carver Country Flowers

"It's already Easter at Carver County Flowers on Third Street in Carver." Annette says. Stop in and see her Easter Displays! There are lots of bunnies, baskets and vintage dye cuts! Hurry! Many,

(but not all) of the items can be also found on her website for purchase, if you have access to a computer. But three quarters of the fun is to come into the shop and see which piece talks to you! Which ones really appeal to your eyes!

Come on in! Visitors are always welcomed!

Carver Community Youth Baseball/Softball

Hssociation

Again, computer access can get you on the CCYBSA website linked with the City of Carver. Did you know?

It is the philosophy of this program that each player should learn through active participation and that winning is the end result of a total team contribution. The purpose of this program is to provide children an opportunity to have fun, develop physically and socially, and to learn the basic fundamental of the sport of Baseball/Softball/T-Ball."

The Softball and Baseball Registrations were extended to March 21st. Remember that T-Ball registration is open through April 15th. Also, make note that the gym will open on April 1st, 15th, 22nd and 29th. The gym will not be open on Easter Sunday.

TugBoat Committee

The TugBoat Committee held their first meeting in February. Their schedule of business at hand was to establish the TugBoat Site Plans, boat restoration, and how the Carver-on-The-Minnesota fits into the equation. The next leg of the tales of the tugboat are now being etched into the memoirs of the City of Carver pages of time. Each decision from here on in will be stamped in history.

Gloria Steinem

The" Savvy.MN Magazine's" upcoming events reports that less than a month left to get your tickets to see and hear Gloria Steinem coming to MN. Gloria will be at Beth El Synagogue in St Louis Park on April 17th at 7:15 PM. She will share her reflections on "Feminism: the Longest Revolution", giving us a better perspective on the true meaning of equality and enhancing our collective commitment to tolerance, love and peace. Presented as part of Beth El's "Inspir-Minds" tickets are available Speaker Series, www.besyn.org/gloria or by calling 952.873.7300. Some ticket levels are already sold out. Savvy.MN Magazine is a promotional partner of this event.

Qion's Easter Egg Hunt

Don't forget, the Lion's are also getting ready for the Easter Bunny's arrival! The Easter Bunny will be making an appearance on April 7th at the Community Park to be found on Sixth Street by County Road # 11 or Jonathan Carver Parkway. Kids ages one through ten are encouraged to come and attend the event. Remember to bring your basket or a bag to put those eggs in. The fun starts at 10 AM SHARP! Mr Bunny wants you to know that he has held a conference with the city staff and if the weather isn't good, then everything will be moved to the Village Hall. So see you all there!

Carver Current

Be sure to check out Dan's website for his news and the news from the Villager Tower, as well as others. There is a lot of interesting information on his website. Also, when you need to get information out, contact Dan to submit. It's another great way for transmitting information What the

www.carver current.com



Red Cross Blood Drive

Red Cross Blood Drive is coming to the Village Hall on Tuesday, April 24^{th} at noon until 6 PM.

Did you Know that the Red Cross depends on public support to help people in need. You can help by making a donation, becoming a volunteer, taking a class, giving blood or hosting a blood drive. Or that March is Red Cross Month? Or that one pint of blood can save up to three lives?

I bet you didn't know this either? "In 1943, President Franklin D. Roosevelt began the tradition of officially proclaiming March as Red Cross month. Since then, every president — regardless of political affiliation — has followed Roosevelt's lead in showing support for the work of our great organization.

"I request that during that month (March) our people rededicate themselves to the splendid aims and activities of the Red Cross. I summon the men, women, and young people of our country, in every city and town and village, in every county and state throughout the land, to enlist in the arm of mercy mobilized under the banner of the Red Cross and to contribute generously to the Red Cross War Fund." ~ President Franklin D. Roosevelt, 1943

Be sure to call and schedule an appointment to give blood at the Village Hall in Carver on April 24th. You can contact Linda Schutz or call 800-Red Cross.

MCH Testing

State testing is scheduled to begin in Eastern Carver County Schools. The purpose of the state tests is to provide the schools with information on how well their curriculum and instruction prepares students to meet the high state standards. These tests have also been modified providing snapshots of individual student growth for the future.

Parents help is requested. Ensure students attend on test dates. Schools that do not have ninety five percent attendance on tests days lose points in the calculation the state utilizes to determine whether schools are making Annual Yearly Progress required by the federal government.

Scheduled test dates are: Monday, April 16th, Tuesday, April 17th , Wednesday, April 18th and Thursday, April 19th, Friday, April 20th and Monday, April 23rd, Tuesday, April 24th, Wednesday, April 25th, Thursday, April 26th and Friday April 27th .

If you would like more information on the MCA II Reading and MCA III Math tests, there is a link to the Minnesota Department of Education website: www.education.state.mn.us

Public support of students and the school district's programs are always appreciated. If you have questions or concerns, Greg Lange can be contacted at the East Union Elementary School.

East Union Elementary School Innouncements Have you noticed the 'Labels for Education' to donate to educa-

Have you noticed the 'Labels for Education" to donate to education? They are on a lot of products. Did you know that the school can redeem these? Be sure to cut the little coupon out and send it to your local schools. There are different points on the labels too. Want to learn more, you can go their website and see all the participating products to earn for your school. The website is: "Labels for education.com".

The Chanhassen Key Club Members need your help. Members of the Chanhassen High School Key Club are conducting a crayon recycling collection in partnership with the National Crayon Recycle Program and Kids Create Studio of Eden Prairie. Many of these members help out at the East Union PTO. Their goal is to collect used and unwanted crayons to be made into recycled hand crated fun crazy crayons. Please send any unwanted crayons to school with your child to deposit in the collection box in the office. For more information about the National Crayon Recycle Program, go to their website: www.crazycrayons.com.... Check the website out, their motto is 'Every Day is Earth Day' and "Going "Green" in all colors'. Interesting information.

The East Union School is having an appreciation event on April 20th, Friday at 8:30 AM, held for volunteers at school

Friday, April 27th, there is a School Dance planned at East Union at 6 PM until 8 PM. The Student Council is working on a theme.

Disclaimer

The "unapproved" minutes of the council and the township have been referenced for the purpose of creating this information for residents in the City of Carver and the townships surrounding the city.

Motivational Speaker - Laura Hammerbeck

Two sessions will be offered at St Nicholas Parish Center by motivational speaker, Laura Hammerbeck. The first starting at 7 PM until 9 PM on both dates of April 24th and the second session on May 1st. Ms Hammerbeck is willing to share her knowledge and expertise offering classes to assist in tapping into your own personal power and bring your goals into focus. There is not any goal too big or too small. In Laura's interactive class, by participating in the necessary steps moving towards your goals and learning the processes to achieve them. The range of goals can be career orientated, personal achievement or simply healthy life choices, these sessions are thought provoking classes giving individuals the power to find and achieve their dreams. For more information and registration details, contact St Nicholas at 952.448.2345. The proceeds from this event will go towards the 'tuck pointing project' [repairs to the brick] on the church. The cost of the seminar is \$ 30 per person.

St Nicholas Church

Pancake and Sausage Breakfast is planned for April 22nd at 8 AM until Noon at the St Nicholas Parish Center. The cost is \$7/Adults, \$4/Children and \$20 for families. Be sure to come and check the event out and have a delicious breakfast amongst some good company.

Carver Fun Run

Plans are already taking place and the Carver Fun Run Committee is getting everything ready for the Annual Fun Run for Juvenile Diabetes. The Dog House and Harvey's Bar and Grill will be sponsoring the Annual Carver Fun Run. It is scheduled for May $5^{\rm th}$. Permission was asked to close several streets within the City of Carver for the event. The council adopted a resolution granting permission to close several streets from 9 AM until noon.

The event will once again feature food, refreshments, prizes, 50/50's, raffles and much more! This event supports the American Diabetes Association's Camp Needlepoint and the Shriner's Hospital for Children. The Carver Fun Run has succeeded in raising an excess of \$ 128,000 over the past twelve years.

Carver Country Flowers Prom Preview Open

House

Prom Preview Open House at Carver Country Flowers. Each year this event is held just before Prom season starts. This year the Open House is scheduled for April 13th through 15th from 10 AM until 5 PM. If your high schooler is planning to attend the prom, they are going to want to stop in at Carver Country Flowers. All of Annette's flowers, jeweled wristlet, ribbon and "bling" options will be on display to create the look that will best enhanced with her prom dress and his tux.

Carver-On-The-Minnesota Inc Silent Fuction Items Wanted

The non-profit group Carver-on-the-Minnesota, Inc will be holding a 'Silent Auction' in conjunction with the Carver Loins Pork Chop Dinner at the Carver Village Hall on Friday, April 27th, 2012. Auction items, services, event tickets, antiques, etc are now being solicited. It's a great opportunity to showcase and advertise businesses and products, while at the same time benefitting Carver. Donated items are tax deductible and auction proceeds go directly to the benefit of Carver. Donated items may be dropped off during normal business hours at Carver Country Flowers at 109 Third Street East in downtown Carver. Questions, contact John at 952.361.3149 or Annette at 952.681.7582.

"When what we are is what we want to be, that's happiness." - Malcolm Forbes

Carver Lions

The Carver Lions always welcome new members. If you are interested in just checking it out, please come to one of their meetings. They meet the first and third Wednesday of each month during the winter months at 6:30 PM in the Village Hall. There are lots of neat and nice people who do lots and lots of community things for the community. It is a very prestigious organization. Come and visit. You won't regret your decision.

Fun Run Beer Bust

Fun Run Beer Bust is April 21, 2012 ~ Harvey's Bar and Grill 1 PM to 3 PM and the Dog House Bar 3 PM to 5 PM; for additional information contact Laura at Harvey's 952-448-2289

Christy's Bluff
An extension was requested regarding the preliminary plat for Christy's Bluff. The approved land consists of single family residential parcels. Due to market conditions the 2007 plat approval has not moved towards development of a final plat. Presently the developer is evaluating options with the possibility of in the future submitting a revised preliminary plat. An extension is ensure the validity of the preliminary plat to accommodate the exploration of options and allow the developer the time needed to submit a final Plat application . The council adopted the resolution with all ayes amending and replacing the resolution approving the preliminary plat for single family lots on ten plus acres for the development identified as Christy's Bluff.

RV Ordinance

The City Administrator and the council discussed a resident's concerns pertaining to the wording of the RV Ordinance. The city attorney discussed contents with a resident also. The attorney was of the opinion that the ordinance would withstand a challenge. The ordinance has been reviewed with the League of MN Cities staff. Discussion was also held regarding RV's as storage units. Research and further discussions will occur.

Flood Protection

The engineer presented a power point presentation on "Flood Protection in Carver". He began with the history of Flood Protection and the 1965 spring flood. Construction on the existing levee began in 1968 with an elevation above sea level with a plus/minus of 724 feet. Work continued in 1969. Additional work was done in 1993 and 1997. Major levee improvements were done in 1998 with a 726.5 feet elevation.

The council was told that a 'Condition Survey Report' on nonfederal levees study had been completed. This provides a basis to assess risks associated with reliance on existing levee and to make recommendations for risk reduction. This study also helps to determine if the levee is eligible for participation in the non-federal Flood Control Works Rehabilitation Program and to clarify to Carver that the United States assumes no liability of ownership for Carver's levee.

The engineer and the Public Works Superintendent were directed to check with the Corps of Engineers regarding the next step to be taken for the City of Carver to continue. The purpose of the presentation was to update everyone.

Main Street Bridge
The council was told by the engineer that the bids had been received for the Main Street Bridge. Low bidder was Landwehr Construction, Inc. The scheduled construction start date is April 30th 2012. The project is scheduled for completion in August, in order that roadwork would be completed by SteamBoat Days. The Main Street Bridge is a county bridge, however the city has anticipated costs on their part. The engineering estimate was discussed and the funding would also be received from the State Bridge Bond funding. A joint powers agreement between the county and the city had been processed and the city is the acting contracting agency. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting the resolution accepting the bid and awarding the project to Landwehr Construction, Inc.

Don't Say, "I Can't"

On this work - the "I Can'ts" are unknown in the world's work and unremembered in history. ~ Gutson Borglum

Conditional Use Permit

The Planning Commission extensively discussed the issue of the requested Conditional Use Permit and held a Public Hearing on the item. The City Planner presented background information on the Conditional Use Permit. The property is being discussed is leased to My Pillow. The tenant has leased the location since 2004 presently experiencing growth and requiring expansion. There is a prospect of purchase to facilitate the expansion. The history of the property was reviewed. Terms of the permit were reviewed. The operation has conducted business around the clock since 2004 but there were not any complaints until the winter of 2011. Originally the property was surrounded by agricultural zoning. Neighborhoods have been developed on the surrounding property since. Business use has been permitted for the past thirty five plus years. The existing Conditional Use Permit does not limit specific businesses. Comment was submitted to address the issue of delivery times. Proposed conditions to an amended permit were reviewed. Safety was addressed, noise, traffic, storage, business definition and zoning.

The city planner stated that the Conditional Use Permit is not temporary; the permit runs with the property as long as the use continues. Business has been permitted since the mid 70's for this property. The current businesses are consistent with permitted uses. The proposal is not for new uses. It is understood that the manufacturing business presently allegedly does not meet the condition relating to hours of operation concerns. Therefore, a new permit has been requested to address the business operation concerns. All of the comments were appreciated. One option requested was to terminate the existing permit and not issue a new conditional use permit. The Planning Commission member commented that it has been pointed out that there are two separate issues brought to light at the hearing. A new Conditional Use Permit would allow the opportunity to change and comply with all conditions. The permanent solution was the purpose at hand was pointed out. The Planning Commission by motion recommended approval of the Conditional Use Permit with amendments to current conditions and additional conditions.

The city council reviewed the Planning Commission's recommenddation, as well as documents relating to the topic. The Planning Commission had extensive discussion on the topic. They had recommended approval of an amended conditional use permit with conditions. The council modified some of the conditions, and heard comments from the attorney.

The staff, applicant and the property owner representative reviewed the proposed conditions recommended by the Planning Commission. There were objections with the necessity to operate a third shift, the restrictions were too restricting for future uses of the property, and, paving was too expensive. An agreement of willingness to increase conditions involving a third shift including revocation if conditions were not met, including a list of policies and procedures to be implemented for that shift. Additional stipulations were included and inserted with the original amendment. Due to the expense involved in paving, phases of paving was discussed and proposed.

Strategic Planning

The city administrator described for the council the work completed by different committees to facilitate goals that the council had set for the 2011/2012 years and the progress that has been made.

As part of the strategic planning efforts, the city established a goal to review the role of preservation and the Heritage Preservation Committee. The reviews will consider future costs/benefits to preservation in the community, along with guidance for future communication, organization and processes involved with committee and the city's role in this effort. The committee was in favor of the plan. The administrator would be the facilitator at the meetings and members were named. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting the work plan for the committee and the city for the strategic planning process.

Did you Know.....
Nine of our presidents never attended college (Washing-ton, Jackson, Van Buren, Taylor, Fillmore, Lincoln, A Johnson, Cleveland and Truman)

Harvard has the most presidential alumni (seven total), followed by Yale, with five presidential alums

For Sale

FOR SALE: Four collectible plates. The "Faces of Nature Collection" by Julie Kraemer Cole is available. There were eight in the entire set. We have four available. Pictures below. These are amazing collector's plate celebrating the natural and spiritual beauty of the American West. The pictures feature magnificent native American vistas, each with nature's faces hidden within the landscape. The technique of partially concealing images within a scene.

Plate Four, "Wolf Pack of the Ancients"; Plate Six "Wintering With the Wopiti"; Plate Seven "Within Sunrise"; And Plate Eight, "Wambli Okiye"









Carver Community Calendar

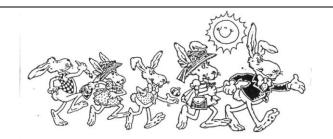
April 2012

April 1 st -		Palm Sunday
		Happy Birthday Joe!
April 2 nd through April 6 th - District # 112 Spring Break		
April 2 nd	-	Council Meeting
		Happy Birthday Kelly!
April 4 th	-	Lion's Meeting
_		Happy Birthday Wayne!
April 5 th	-	Drill Night
April 6th	-	Good Friday
April 7 th -		Passover
• '		Easter Egg Hunt
April 8th-		Easter
April 9th-		School Resumes – Spring Break Over
. ,		Dahlgren Township Board Meeting
April 10 th	_	Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting
April 11 th	-	SteamBoat Committee Meeting
April 12 th	_	School Board Work Session at Victoria Elementary School
1-p1-1-		Happy Anniversary Kerry and Brad!
April 14 th	_	Happy Birthday Barb!
April 16 th	_	Council Meeting
1-p1-1-		Drill Night
April 17 th	_	PTO Meeting (East Union)
11 p 111 1/		Happy Birthday Cheryl!
April 18th	_	Lion's Meeting
April 10		Happy Birthday John!
April 19 th	_	Planning Commission Meeting
лри 19		Revolutionary War Began 1775
April 20th	_	Kindergarten Round Up
71prii 20		Happy Birthday Scott!
		Happy Anniversary Wayne and Michelle!
April 21st	_	Happy Birthday Jim!
April 22 nd	_	Earth Day
April 22	_	Happy Birthday Al!
		Happy Birthday Kitty!
		St Nicholas Pancake and Sausage Breakfast
April 23 rd		Park and Recreation Board Meeting
April 23 th	-	Red Cross Blood Drive
April 24	-	St Nicholas – Motivational Speaker (Session 1)
April 25 th	_	Administrative Professionals Day
April 25 th	-	
April 26th		Happy Birthday Aaron! School Board Meeting – District Education Center
April 20	-	
Appil orth		Fire Department Meeting Night
April 27 th April 30 th	-	Lions Pork Chop Dinner
April 30 ^{cc}	-	Happy Birthday Ron!
		Happy Birthday Arlan!

Happy Anniversary Rachel and Greg!



Kappy Easter



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Qevi Griffin Road Signage

The engineer explained that the lettering on the monument sign at the corner of County Road #11 and Levi Griffin Road which had been completed last winter presented a dilemma. After placement of the lettering, it was discovered that the lettering and open spaces on the background made it difficult to see during the daylight hours from certain angles. The spacing does not meet shop drawing and design specifications. After discussions with the contractor and the Streetscape Committee, it was determined that the issue should be brought before the council for final approval.

Costs were talked about. Old removed letters would be returned to the city for use elsewhere. Newer larger letters would be placed on the sign. The contractor would seek payment for this change.

The discussion also involved a directional sign proposed at the area directing the public to the historic downtown area. The Streetscape Committee expressed their approval for the directional sign and stated that the style could be used at different locations in the future. LED lighting similar to the monument sign letters were also agreed upon. The cost for the construction of LED lights were reviewed. These costs were not approved. Motion was made and carried with all ayes designating a specific amount for resizing the letters on the monument sign.

Carver Community Youth Baseball / Softball

Hssociation

Carver Youth Baseball & Softball Association will be holding it's first Water Softener Salt fundraiser in May. Details will be posted in the May newsletter and around town. This will be an online ordering system and the salt will be delivered to your doorstep. Please support CCYBSA in maintaining our program.

Another great year of Registrations for Softball, Baseball and T-Ball. We are just about to 300 youth that have registered. Softball and Baseball games will start the week of May 16th. Stop at one of the fields to see some great action.

2012 Carver Spring Clean Up Day

Carver's Annual Spring Clean Up Day is scheduled for May 5th. The residential curbside pick up is scheduled to begin at 7 AM. If you have access to the computer. All the details can be found on the city's website. Acceptable and unacceptable materials are all listed on the website under the caption, 'Spring Clean Up'. If you don't have access, call the city and the guys and gals would be more than happy to fill you in on the details. Items over fifty pounds....appliances and/or hazardous can be disposed of at the Carver County Environmental Center in Chaska on Peavey Road.

"If I leave here tomorrow, would you still remember me? For I must be trav'ling on now 'cause there's too many places I've got to see.

But f I stay here with you now, things just couldn't be the same.
I'm free as a bird now, and this bird you cannot change."

- Freebird – Lynrd Skynyrd

Gas Math

- Assuming your car gets 20 miles per gallon, a 100 mile day trip will use 5 gallons of gas.
- 2) 5 gallons of gas multi[plied by \$ 4 per gallon equals \$ 20
- 3) Visit 5 shops on your trip, Divide \$ 20 worth of gas by 5 shops it equals \$ 4 per shop
- 4) Bring 3 friends on your trip. \$ 4 of gas per shop divided by 4 people equals \$ 1 per person per shop
- 5) Clean out he piggy bank and enjoy a fun day of shopping with your friends

Quthy Sandblasting and Painting

Luthy Sandblasting has a new website and wanted to share it with you. Please go to www.luthysandblastingandpainting.net. Check it out.



Living Today

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