



Dedicated in Loving Memory

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City of Carver

The City of Carver was presented with an unexpected outpouring of creativity and unending determination for a project displaced by the economy downturn. The city had been researching a discussing the construction of a new city hall, but the whole prospect had to be forsaken. Meanwhile eighteen artists from surrounding communities did not stop with their plans and continued their goal to their final quest. These artists continued to carve eighteen wooden panels depicting historic scenes and buildings of Carver. These panels were then framed into one work of art by Gregg Witt. This gift to the city will be displayed at the Church-By-The-River site until a new city hall is completed in the future. The artists attended the council meeting and were introduced by John von Walter. A plaque will be created listing the artists and their contribution. John von Walter was thanked for his part in the planning and coordinating the project, along with the people involved with the project. The council expressed their gratitude also.

The Community Foundation

Mary Langworthy and Bob Roepke from the Community Foundation for Carver County presented some background of the foundation. The foundation is a non-profit organization serving as a catalyst for community investments contributing to the health and vitality of those living and working in the county. A video was presented displaying the purpose of the foundation and Mr Roepke commented that this was all about preserving and enhancing Carver County. The council was thanked for their time and the opportunity to give their presentation.

The Community Foundation for Carver County, accessible, effective local Philanthropy can be reviewed at www.carvercountyfoundation.org. The Executive Director is Mary Langworthy and can be reached at 92.250.5138.

The Community Foundation for Carver County recently received a matching grant from the Otto Bremer Foundation to help with the Foundations operations as it identifies and responds to critical community needs across Carver County. The foundation's statement said, "Our priority is to help individuals, families and organizations realize their philanthropic vision through funds they set up on our care, however, we also have a concurrent need to secure our own sustainability as an organization." Be sure to go their website for more information.

Municipal Utilities

The city reviewed the Municipal Utilities supervisor's report. The council commented on the Certificate of Commendation awarded to the City of Carver and its wastewater treatment facility staff with their 8th Certificate of Commendation since 1991. The supervisor commended his employees.

Park and Recreation Board

The Carver Black Sox were thanked for their volunteering to teach the Baseball Camp for the second year. The board had also discussed the skate park and the use of the park.

"If you can't do great things, do small things in a great way. Don't wait for great opportunities: Seize common, every day ones and make them great!"

LyleWood Glen

The LyleWood Glen Association representative spoke with the city council regarding two separate issues with the development. One situation involved an overdue water bill requesting payment being withheld until year's end before assessing the Homeowner's Association. The second situation involved a request to have the water restored. The Association would be responsible for payment herein. Non-payment would result in shutting the water off. The city attorney related that an assessment of the delinquent bill could be certified at any time until December, however this assessment would not show up on the property taxes until 2010. The city requested a deposit and a discussion occurred concerning if the payment were late and the water being turned off. The Homeowners Association is not usually presented with the request for a deposit. One council member stated that they would agree to a deposit through the July billing period and modifying the agreement dependent on the water bill. Assessing the past due amounts was questioned. Another question was posed regarding awkwardness of arbitrarily requesting a depot. The attorney stated this the discussion was to negotiate suggesting terms be spelled out including refunding required deposit. Suggestion was made rather than a deposit to turn the water off. Another council member was of the opinion that a deposit be requested, refunding the deposit if the bills are paid. Motion was made and carried with three ayes and two nays requesting a deposit from the HomeOwners Association with eligibility of water restored and unpaid balance to be assessed at the end of the year. It is imperative that homeowners monitor the use of irrigation water carefully.

Christy's Bluff

The city planner told the council that the developer requested an extension of the preliminary plat for Christy's Bluff scheduled to expire June 1st, 2009. The planner drafted an amended resolution allowing the developer until the first of June, 2010 to file a Final Plat application. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting the resolution amending the former resolution approving a preliminary plat of single-family lots and right of way on approximately ten plus acres for the development identified as Christy's Bluff.

Variance Request

The city planner informed the council that a property owner requested a variance of the zoning ordinance to construct a shed in the bluff area. Construction had been begun prior to securing a building permit. A 'stop work order' had been issued. The Planning Commission recommended denial of the variance. Suitable location for the building was questioned. Written complaints had not been received regarding any other properties non-compliant to substantiate any claims.

The property owner was told that the council would not deviate from the Zoning Ordinance to grant a variance. Explanation was given that the bluff ordinance is strict and variances are not given when criteria cannot be met. The need for the bluff protection was also explained. Motion was made and carried with all ayes denying the variance request.

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Fourth Street Bridge

The city engineer reminded the council of authorization given for the preparation of the Feasibility Report regarding the Fourth Street Bridge and Fourth Street. Adjacent streets were to be included in this report. Discussions also occurred that plans be prepared for submittal to MNDOT, so that it could be submitted on the list for possible funding from the state in 2010. Options were discussed for the bridge, the west downtown utility and street improvements. The entire project is estimated to be very costly. The 4th Street extension to Elm Drive included a sidewalk. The council was told that the feasibility report would not be approved at this time because once it's approved it becomes a pending assessment for property owners in the area and most of the work would not occur for a year or more. The engineer would work on the report for the Fourth Street Bridge for possible funding for the portion that would not be assessed. The engineer was to return to the council with a bridge update. The council discussed costs, soil borings, etc. Question was asked about the cost of a box culvert bridge.

The council discussed the condition of the 4th Street Bridge. They discussed the latest monitoring inspection conducted by the structural engineer shows the changes in the bridge that have occurred since fall of 2008. Based on this inspection the following recommendations were made; detailed inspections every four months should be done, city staff to monitor the bridge changes, and load postings be initiated along with paperwork with MnDOT for load rating/posting. Posting of the bridge to 5 tons would restrict various vehicles from using the bridge. Work is being done to close the sidewalk on the north side. Motion was made and carried with all ayes approving posting weight limits on 4th Street Bridge to a 5 ton limit along with closing the sidewalk on the north side.

The council also discussed the 4th Street Bridge replacement. Authorization was necessary for preparation of plans for MnDOT approval. The bridge has a rating of 54.3 qualifying it for state bridge replacement funding. To get on the waiting list for the funding, the city needs to complete a set of plans and approval from MnDOT. The city will have to work with the county to apply for state funds because of the city's population size. Also, since the bridge is included in the Historic District, replacement is required to be reviewed by the Heritage Preservation Commission. The costs associated with the preparation of plans were talked about and the costs would be incurred in 2009 and not budgeted until 2010. Motion was made and carried with all ayes authorizing the city engineer to proceed with preparation of bridge plans allowing listing on the waiting list for the state bridge bond funding.

Metropolitan Council Environmental Services

The pre-qualifications of contractors were explained to the council. The city engineer reviewed, with council approval, the preparation of plans and specifications regarding the Carver Interceptor - Segment A, and the approved agreements with the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services. This project along with the future Segment B will redirect sanitary sewer from the city's existing waste water treatment facility to the Metropolitan Council Environmental Services system in Chaska. Metropolitan Council Environmental Services has finalized the force main sizing and the engineer completed the plans and specifications. A pre-qualification process has been incorporated with this project and contractors have submitted packages that have been reviewed. Pre-qualified contractors will be allowed to bid on the project. The contractors and lift station sub-contractors that pre-qualified can bid on the Carver Interceptor - Segment A project. The council discussed the estimated project cost and combined funding with Metropolitan Council Environmental Services, Carver County and the City of Carver through assessments, bonding, utility connection fees, and the storm water utility. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting the resolution approving the plans and specifications, as well as ordering the advertisement of the bids for the Carver interceptor - Segment A as revised by the city attorney.

Emergency Safety Plan

The mayor pointed out that it was a concern that the City of Carver did not have a plan for preparing for a flood. The Public Works director prepared a chart for proceeding if flood conditions occur. The council should discuss this plan with the director.

Grant Application

The city administrator informed the council of federal money potentially available for a grant for an additional officer. The cost for this position was discussed for a full-time officer per year for 2009, and additional amounts in 2010 and 2011. The city would be required to pay the full-salary in 2012 and cannot rescind the final year's payment without paying back the previous grant award. The administrator qualified that the federal calendar year is from October through September, so the grant program for 2009 could commence in October 2009. The county will apply for three officers under this program and the administrator told the sheriff's department that the city is interested in one full-time officer. The county only has commitments from Carver County cities for two and half full time employees, Carver included, and unless another city shows a willingness to pick up the additional half time employee in the application not allocated, Carver may only have eligibility for half of a full-time employed officer to be shared with Victoria. The City of Waconia may be interested in an additional half, but based on the allocation at this point, Watertown and Watertown School District split an officer and Victoria and Carver would do the same at an annual rate. If officers are awarded, the Sheriff's Department would only agree to the grant requirements if it has a two or three full-time employee and not a half-time full-time employee. Motion was made and carried with all ayes to move forward on the grant for additional sheriff's deputies. Question was also asked about the necessity for budgeting for a full time officer in 2012. Question was also asked about expenses above and beyond the grant amount and was told that the costs would be minor.

Water Rates

At a council work session the council discussed and reviewed a presentation regarding water rates with the financial consultant. The financial consultant explained that state law requires a conservation rate structure for all public water suppliers in the metropolitan area by the first of January 2010. The consultant led the discussion reviewing the water tier system and the city's current system. A water tier system is mandatory for residential properties. The reason cities need to overbuild water system is due to irrigation. Question was asked about an across the board flat rate for any amount of water usage by a customer based on fixed costs. Comment was made that the presented chart was interesting displaying other cities as having a base charge and then a fee. Therefore, Carver was not as expensive as in other cities. The council discussed the necessity for a base rate and water fees. Meter usage was reviewed and discussed. The consultant was to be given direction from the council as to the city's expectations. A base fee was one of the items necessary. The consultant stated that several policy issues were required since implementing fees could be adjusted. One council member voiced preferences for seasonal charges. Another topic was conservation. The council directed the consultant to add some variables to include a base rate and seasonal rate on the options based on the presentation given to the council. Another comment added to the conversation was that one-meter systems should not be allowed in the future on multi-housing units.

Chaska Community Center

The council was told that the administrator and the park and recreation supervisor had spoken with the representatives of the Chaska Community Center regarding rates for the Carver residents despite the city's inability to subsidize for the Carver individuals. The council member explained the previous plan and Carver's subsidizing residents of Carver. The administrator was directed to contact the City of Chaska's administrator to discuss the issue.

Carver Card Club

The next get together for cards, games and conversation is Wednesday, May 13th from one o'clock to four o'clock. Conversation you want to share in will occur downstairs in the Village Hall and is hosted by Evelyn Grimm who is a Carver Lion. If there is anyone who would like to bring their favorite dessert to serve with coffee, be sure to contact Evelyn at 942-448-945. Bring a friend or a family member to the fun.

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."
- E. Roosevelt

24th Annual Chaska Area Taste

On Wednesday, May 20th Chaska will hold the 24th Taste of Chaska event from 5 PM to 9 PM at the City Square Park in Chaska.

Heritage Preservation Commission

The Carver Heritage Preservation Commission will co-host Minnesota's 29th Annual Statewide Historic Preservation Conference, to be held Sept. 17-18, 2009. It will be hosted by the Carver Heritage Preservation Commission and the Chaska Heritage Preservation Commission, in cooperation with the Carver County Historical Society and the Chaska Historical Society.

The main event will be held at the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum and is sponsored by the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office with support of the Preservation Alliance of Minnesota.

Agendas haven't been set yet. But if past conferences are an indication, it is likely that each Heritage Preservation Commission will do a presentation, coordinate and conduct downtown area walking tours, and line up some historic homes, businesses, or churches for indoor tours.

The theme for this year's conference will be Green Design and Reuse of Historic Buildings. There will be many lecture events on preservation, restoration, sustainable reuse of historic buildings, etc. More information will be forthcoming later and can be accessed on the web at: <http://www.mnhs.org/shpo/Conference/index.htm>

The annual event is Minnesota's largest conference of heritage preservation commissions, public officials, architects, property owners, historians, planners, and interested parties from throughout the state, sometimes even from surrounding states.

This will be a great opportunity to showcase Carver to the rest of Minnesota (and maybe put it on the map for those who don't know where it is). It might be a good spring and summer to clean up yards, apply that new coat of paint to garage or house, get the indoor chairs and couches off the front porch, scrap the old boats, cars, and lawnmowers, and plant some flowers and shrubs.

East Union Elementary

The East Union Elementary PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) group met for the last time of the school year for 2009 in April. Be sure to check in the fall for their meeting schedule for the next school year in 2009-2010.

The East Union School is also on the year end scavenger hunt for "Visitor Badges" that have accidentally vanished throughout the school year. If any of these 'visitor badges' have taken up residence in homes throughout the district, please have them sent back to the school office. The staff at the school thanks you and understands how they can easily be forgotten. Thanks in advance for your help in relocating these and returning them.

The "Pennies for patients" program at the East Union School has received a Certificate of Appreciation from 'Pennies for Patients'. The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society extends a special thank you to the staff, students and school community for contributing to Pennies for Patients. Donations fund lifesaving cancer research and services for patients. One little Penny, One BIG Difference.

The East Union School held their First Grade Transition Night where parents and their next year's first graders are invited to attend an information session.

Car Cruise

They're back! The Carver Car Cruise will start again this May on the 13th. The Car Cruise will be on the second Wednesday of every month May, June, July and August from 6 PM until 9 PM. Be sure to stop downtown and check out the visitors. You might reminisce about a really, really good memory from day's past? See you there!

"Knowledge is horizontal. Wisdom is vertical-it comes down from up above."

Carver Country Flowers

Submitted by: Annette Hentz

"It's such a busy month! I have to tell you about a charming occurrence I had this morning. A young woman came in and said she needed two carnations. I said, "Sure, what color do you need?" She said she wanted one pink one and one blue one. I said I had pink, but I had no blue carnations. However, if she thought it would work, I could spray a white carnation light blue. I went outside with the carnation and floral spray, and sprayed it to a soft blue. When I came back in with it, she said that would work just fine. As I was wrapping her two carnations, she remarked, "This is how I let my parents know that I'm pregnant." It was such a cute idea I thought I'd share it with the readers of this newsletter. Some people are so clever—even more clever than florists, who are supposed to have all the ideas!

It's hard to believe, but Memorial Day is less than two months away. Not only does this day mark the beginning of summer in Minnesota, but it's also the day that we honor those loved ones who have departed from us. If you'd like a Memorial Day graveside planter done, please give us a call and let us know what you'd like. We can do fresh plants or artificial flowers. If you already have a planter box, you can bring it in and we'll plant it up for you, call you when it's ready, and you can pick it up!



1786-87 by Joseph Wright of Derby, as my design inspiration. My design was displayed on the 3rd floor of the museum, in front of the painting.

Annette Hentz

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City of Carver Clean - Up Day

City of Carver is planning their Annual Clean-Up Day on Saturday, May 16th. Curbside pick-up will be used again due to the positive feedback for the past two years from residents. Waste Management will be doing the curbside pickup starting at 7 AM. Please ensure that items are at the curb at that time. Thanks.

Hydrant Flushing

The City of Carver will begin Hydrant Flushing on May 18th through May 22nd. It is recommended to watch for signs in the neighborhoods. It is also recommended that laundry not be done at that time. It would also be a good idea to check the water color prior to washing as well.

Minnesota Valley National Wildlife Refuge

The summer hours of the MN Valley National Wildlife Refuge building open at 9 AM to 4 PM. Ground are open dusk to dawn. Be sure to check their web site for information. (www.fws.gov/Midwest/MinnesotaValley)

"Love is a fire. But whether it is going to warm your heart or burn down your house, you can never tell." - Joan Crawford

Certificate of Commendation

The City of Carver and the wastewater treatment facility staff will all be awarded and receive a Certificate of Commendation. The staff and city is the winner of eight Certificates of Commendation since 1991. The commendation is to recognize exemplary efforts expended in the year of 2008, to comply with the MN Pollution Control Agency's Permit Program. The staff's efforts and work protect and preserve the waters of Minnesota.

Highway #212 Preliminary Design

There will be an Open House for the Highway #212 Preliminary Design on May 19th at 4:30 PM until 7 PM at the Cologne Community Center. In 2007, MN/DOT initiated a preliminary study on Highway #212 between Carver and Norwood/Young America.

A preliminary study had been conducted in the southwest metro area. The study determined how best to upgrade the highway from a two lane roadway to a four-lane expressway for the ten mile corridor between Chaska and Norwood/Young America. The potential upgrades to intersections and connecting roadways will be evaluated at selected locations, inclusive of development of interchange concepts near Cologne. For the purposes of the study, the corridor will be divided into three separate projects.

- 1) County Road 134 east of Norwood Young America to west end of Cologne
- 2) East end of Cologne to Hwy 11 in Carver
- 3) Hwy 212/Market Avenue interchange on the east side of Cologne

The study, which takes place through June 2010, will include the following key elements for each of projects: public involvement, environmental analysis, traffic analysis, development of alternative roadway layouts, and maps. At this time, construction is not scheduled. The purpose of the study is to identify a corridor for future construction and Right of Way preservation. The project is moving forward with the study. The next steps will be to select a preferred alternative for each of the project parts, and to assess environmental impacts. More information regarding the project is available on line at www.dot.state.mn.us/metro/projects/new212 or call 651.234.7723.

Park and Recreation Board

Submitted by: Kristy Mock

"Summer is right around the corner, and we are all looking forward to enjoying the city parks and trails. It is unfortunate that along with the nice weather, it is time to address the issue of vandalism in the parks as well. Dollars spent repairing and replacing items due to vandalism, means less that can be spent on new facilities and services. Help keep vandalism to a minimum, if you witness any unwanted activities in the park, please call 911 or the Carver County Sheriff Non-Emergency Line at 952.361.1231."

"The RiverSide Park Archery Range will be opening soon. It is open to the public daily from sunrise to sunset. Archery Leagues coming soon." Broadhead arrows will cause a great deal of damage to the targets and not allowed to be used in the Archery Range at RierSide Park. Use of them will be considered a misdemeanor.

Registration forms for the following events can be found at the City of Carver's website. Youth Programs are 'Parents Night off Babysitting' scheduled for May 15th. On May 31st you can meet the Black Sox and spend Family Day at the Park. There will be free hot dog and pop for the kids. The adult programs are Cardio-Kick Spring, starting May 7th, Hatha Yoga Spring, on May 19th and Adult/Child/Infant CPR on May 27th.

East Union Celebrating Success

East Union will be celebrating Success on Thursday, May 21st, 2:30 to 3:30 PM and the parents are invited. It is East Union's first school-wide event. This year end celebration will give all of the students the opportunity to shine before families and friends as they share their school accomplishments. Each student will participate and highlight his or her proudest accomplishments for the year. The goal is to have students reflect on and represent their accomplishments.

Death Leaves a Heartache – No one can heal. Love Leaves a Memory – No one can steal"

Disclaimer

The 'unapproved' minutes of the council and the township have been referenced for the purposes of reporting news in the "Villager Tower" and creating the contents of this newsletter for the purpose of informing residents in the City of Carver and the townships surrounding the city.

Carver County Water Management Organization

The 2008 Annual Report Summary for the Carver County Water Management Organization (CCWMO) was given. Carver County residents can again enjoy activities such as canoeing, swimming and fishing in the county's many lakes and rivers. The abundance of water resources requires special care. The Carver County Water Management Organization is responsible for management, planning, funding, regulating and implementing the Water Management Plan. The organization includes the following watersheds; Bevens Creek, Carver Creek, East and West Chaska Creek, Pioneer-Sarah, and the Crow River. In 2001, the CCWMO adopted the Water Management Plan so that they could fulfill legislative requirements on surface and groundwater. The goal of the Plan is to protect, preserve and manage the CCWMO's surface and groundwater systems in the midst of rapid growth and intensive agricultural activity. The annual report's purpose is to provide a look at the activities accomplished as well as the challenges encountered by the organization.

RiverSide Rhapsody

The place to be on Wednesday evenings in June is the RiverSide Park for the Music Festival planned. The Carver Lions will be preparing food. The music will be at 6 PM until 8 PM on June 10th, 17th and 24th. Don't miss this great Free Festival!

Fire Department

The council was told of the Fire Chief's resignation. There are six candidates for the position. Firefighter Mel Nelson has also retired from the department with twenty six and half years of service. Good luck and thanks.

Outdoor Patio

Sammy's Hideout requested an amendment to the liquor license so as to include an Outside Patio Area. The council was presented with plans for an outdoor proposed patio. The owner also stated that they wanted to have a live band for SteamBoat Days. The council was also presented with plans for remodeling which the Heritage Preservation Commission had approved exterior changes. Parking was questioned. The city planner stated that the expansion involved the use of the so the parking was a minor factor. The access to the patio would only be from the interior of the structure. The council reviewed the proposed resolution discussing the request also presented previously from Lisa's place. Sammy's was also requesting patio music but the music would stop at PM outdoors. Motion was made and carried with all ayes amending the proposed resolution designating patio area hours from 8 AM until midnight, acoustic music from noon to 8PM, Friday, Saturday and Sunday only.

Harvey's Bar and Grill also requested an amendment to the liquor license to include an Outside Patio area at the bar location. The council was of the opinion that the proposed resolution should be amended as was for the others. Motion was made and carried with all ayes changing the resolution to include an outdoor patio as allowed with other businesses.

Tax Forfeit Parcel

The city planner informed the council that in the Carver Bluffs 10th Addition, Outlot A that there is a tax forfeited parcel. The county requested the city to make a determination on the land as to its fate. The size of the parcel was given. The property contains a trail that the public uses for access between the original Carver Bluffs neighborhood and the Carver Bluff West area. An easement to the city for the trail had not been provided by the developer. Motion was made and carried with all ayes requesting a conveyance to the city of Carver of Outlot A in Carver Bluffs 10th Addition, free of charge for an authorized public use.

Juvenile Diabetes Run

Request was made to the council to close streets for June 6th to hold the 2009 Juvenile Diabetes Fun Run. The council was told that this event will replace the Carver Fun Run. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting the resolution closing certain streets on June 6th for the kids ride for Juvenile Diabetes Run.

Juvenile Diabetes and Shriner's Run

The Shriner's Cycle Corps will be headed by the Road Captain in the June 6th Juvenile Diabetes and Shriner's Run for the kids. Registration will be at 10:30 AM, Saturday, June 6th at Sammy's HideOut. The run will have a noon departure time. There will be food and live music for the event. There will be a barbeque and "The Choppers" will be entertaining the crowd rain or shine. Also, there are door prizes. Come and join the fun and contribute for Juvenile Diabetes.

Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Funds

The city planner discussed with the council the authorization of staff and consultants to prepare an application for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds. THE CMAQ provides funding to state and local governments for transportation projects and programs to help meet requirements in the Clean Air Act of 1990. Projects submitted this year are eligible for funding in federal fiscal years 2013 and 2014. Meetings have been held with SouthWest Transit on the possibility of a facility on the southwest quadrant at the intersection of County Road #11 and Highway #212. The city had applied for funding through CMAQ in 2007. At that time the city competed against applications from SouthWest Transit and was unsuccessful. However, the ranking had been high at that time. The cost of preparing the application was talked about. The next opportunity to apply would be in 2011 for funding in 2015-2016 and it considered that the property possibly would no longer be available for acquisition. The financial aspects of the proposed grant application were discussed. The grant is a matching grant and the city would have to match approximately twenty percent of the project costs. Motion was made and carried with all ayes authorizing the staff and consultants to prepare an application for submittal by June 15th to CMAQ for a facility for SouthWest Transit. The city reviewed alternates for paying for the project. The proposal was considered to be an important issue in Carver's future.

Carver Youth Baseball/Softball Association

Submitted by: Jane Thon

Softball and Baseball has had a great year with over two hundred fifty youth having signed up. The Carver Lions are big supporters of our program. The Park and Recreation Department keeps the fields ready. And You will find games most nights of the week at the following fields: Lions Park, Carver Community Park and Bluff Creek field. Come out and watch these youth as they learn, have fun and enjoy supporting their community. Carver Community Park does have the food stand open so you can enjoy a Hot Dog, PopCorn, Beverage along with a good game.

See you at the fields.

Family Day at the Park

Spend a day at the park with your home town baseball team! The Carver Black Sox will be playing Hamburg at the Community Park. Get a chance to throw the ball on the field with the team and get to know your local players. Don't miss your chance to hang out, have a hot dog, and watch a game. Fun for the whole family. The day's activities include: day begins at 12:15PM on Sunday, May 31st. Adults \$4 at the gate, kids are free. Music starts at 12:30 PM. All kids get a free hot dog and soda. Practice with the team at 12:45 PM. The kids will also receive an honorary team member badge. Game time is 2 PM. This event is sponsored by the Carver Black Sox and the Carver Parks and Recreation Department.

Did You Know

...that in June 1874 Peter J. Thoreson had a "splendid assortment of canned fruits" that he was "selling cheap" in the former William G. Hirschka stand in Carver. In May 1878 Thoreson closed his business to return to Norway for a year, but he seems never to have come back to Carver.

Dunn Brothers Coffee

Located in Historic Downtown Chaska, the building housing Dunn Brothers has been renovated and won the 2006 Minnesota Preservation Award. A cornerstone at Chaska's Walnut Street Historic District, the building started as a dry goods store in 1875 and was restored in 2005 where it serves coffee and bakery items to patrons of Dunn Brothers Coffee.

So just exactly how did the Carver resident end up in the historic district of Chaska? Mike Webb stated that he knew the previous owner through his career as a headhunter. The former owner called him on his way out of town with another Carver resident requesting a broker deal. A spark of interest apparently struck in Mike's mind and it began the ball rolling in his decision to purchase the business.

Mike was a recruiter prior to this business venture and he is extremely happy with his decision to take this on. Expansion of business plan is in his thinking for the future by taking on business partners. However, Mike says that if this venture stays this enjoyable, it will be difficult imagining doing anything else.

Mike says that they are all learning as they go. Since he had never taken on any kind of retail project previously, he had no idea what to expect. He hired some great kids who have brought in the only philosophy he has. That being, "we can do great things if we are having fun." The kids are phenomenal and he gets compliments all the time regarding them. Continuity is present explaining and helping with very little turnover.

We attempted a new twist opening an "Open Mic" Night turning out to be a big success. There were six performers with an audience of approximately twenty. Decision was made to continue having an "Open Mic" night every first Wednesday of the month and possibly contemplating promoting the event twice a month.

Mike said, "I have now owned Dunn Brothers for seven months. It seems like three years or sometimes like two weeks, depending upon the day! It has been a blast and I always look forward to getting here in the morning." (How many people can say that when they arrive at work?)

The ups and downs of the economy hit everything at some point. Dunn Brothers Coffee is no different. Mike said that he bought the business and a week later, the first of the banks began the tumble going under. He said, "It couldn't have been a more interesting time to buy. However, I have seen people appreciate our smiles enough that it gives them reason to come in. We try to make people's day as much as we can and a smile can be a huge part of that!"

Dunn Brothers Coffee is open Monday through Friday from 6 AM to 8 PM, Saturday, 6:30 AM to 8 PM and on Sunday at 7 AM until 6 PM. They roast all their beans in the store and sell them within three days of roasting. They can be located at the intersection of 2nd and Highway #41 in Chaska. Be sure to stop and check them out.

Carver Lions

The Carver Lions wish to extend their gratitude and thanks to everyone who helped make the Pork Chop Dinner a success including the workers to the guests eating. The Easter Egg Hunt was also a huge success. There were over 350 kids that attended the event. The weather was wonderful. The turnout was outstanding. The Carver Lions promise that next year there will be even more eggs to match the children that came out to see the Easter Bunny. They thank everyone for coming and next year they will be more prepared and be sure that everyone returns again.

A reminder too that over the summer months of June, July and August the Lions only meet once a month. The first Wednesday of the month. In September the regular schedule will resume, meeting the first and third Wednesday of the month in the lower level of the Village Hall. Be sure to come and be included in all the fun and feel good about what goes on in the community you live in.

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....that in April 1874 Sheriff Frederick DuToit came to Carver to repossess a large pump in the Carver Mill which had been purchased, but which had not been paid for.

RYS Creations

RYS Creations will be conducting business as an administrative assistant doing the work that managers choose not to do, nor have the expenditures to hire a full-time office person, but need the administrative paperwork completed. 'Administrative Assistants' replaced 'secretaries'. Along with this title change came job responsibility changes, as well. Many companies are beginning to out-source this work, saving money. Thus is an introduction to the concept for the futuristic-minded management personnel who require to have their office work completed, but don't have enough work to justify a part or full-time individual. Or if you have special needs, need the expertise of an administrative assistant? Give me a call at 952 . 448 . 5126. I have different packages, different programs, and set up to coincide with your specific needs at reasonable costs. I have more than thirty seven years' experience in the office environment and am very good at what I do. Give me a call and we'll get your office work in order and save you money and time.

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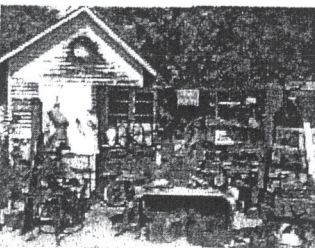
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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "Failure is not the only punishment for laziness; there is also the success of others" - Jules Renard

Carver Fire Department Highlights and Community Calendar

May 2009

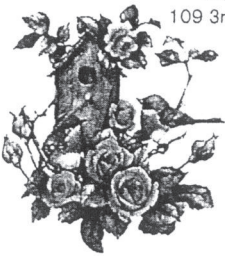
- May 1st - Happy Birthday Texan!
Happy Birthday Barb!
- May 4th - Happy Birthday Darrin!
- May 5th - Happy Anniversary Kris & Lee!
Happy Birthday Jim!
- May 7th - Happy Birthday Cassie!
- May 8th - Happy Birthday Madison!
- May 9th - Happy Birthday Chris!
- May 13th - Carver Car Cruise
Happy First Birthday Breanna!
- May 15th - Parent's Night Off Babysitting
Happy Birthday Tim!
- May 16th - City of Carver Clean - Up Day
Armed Forces Day
- May 18th - Drill Night
- May 19th - Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting
TH 212 Preliminary Design Open House
Hatha Yoga Spring
Happy Birthday Scheryl!
- May 20th - Lions Meeting
24th Annual Chaska Area Taste
Happy Birthday Tiffany!
- May 21st - School Board Meeting
East Union Celebrating Success 2:30 - 3:30 PM
Happy Anniversary Leon & Scheryl!
- May 22nd - East Union Club Care Talent Show
- May 25th - Memorial Day
- May 26th - Planning Commission Meeting
- May 27th - Adult-Child/Infant CPR
- May 28th - Happy Birthday Keith!
Fire Department Meeting Night
- May 30th - Happy Birthday Craig!
- May 31st - Meet the Black Sox - Family Day at the Park
Happy Birthday Karalyn!

June 2009

- June 1st - Council Meeting
- June 2nd - Happy Anniversary Kerry & Kathy!
- June 4th - East Union Track and Field Day 12:30 PM
- June 5th - Last Day of School
East Union 2 PM Graduation Ceremony
CHS Graduation Ceremony
Happy Birthday Kim!
- June 6th - Juvenile Diabetes Run
Happy Birthday Gary!
- June 7th - Happy Birthday Scott
- June 8th - Park and Recreation Board Meeting
Happy Anniversary Joy & Chris!
- June 10th - RiverSide Rhapsody Music Festival
- June 11th - School Board Meeting
Happy Birthday Dennis!
Happy Birthday Jane!
- June 13th - Happy First Birthday Alexis!
- June 14th - Flag Day
- June 15th - Happy Birthday Jim!
Happy Anniversary Dennis & Sharon!
- June 16th - Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting
- June 17th - RiverSide Rhapsody Music Festival
- June 18th - Happy Birthday Gwen!
Happy Anniversary Laurie & Tony!
- June 21st - Father's Day
First Day of Summer
Happy Birthday Lucy!
- June 22nd - Happy Anniversary Paul & Kim!
Happy Birthday Rob!
- June 23rd - Planning Commission Meeting
- June 24th - Happy Birthday Greg!
RiverSide Rhapsody Music Festival
- June 25th - School Board Meeting
- June 30th - Happy Anniversary Terry & Shirley!
Happy Birthday Yvonna!

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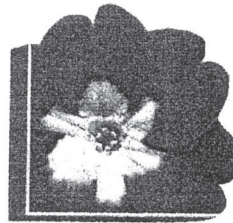
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