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Carver Fire Department

The Carver Fire Department requested approval for an applica-tion for the Community Partnership Grant sponsored by Center Point Energy helping emergency responders purchase equip-ment or fund special projects. The department had received this grant in the past. Their intent was to purchase Rescue Struts and Air Bag Control Kits used to stabilize potentially unstable vehicles and equipment while emergency personnel are working in the areas. The costs of the Control Kits were esti-mated and the maximum grant amount was discussed. The city's cost was reviewed. The fire chief confirmed that this grant had been received on several occasions. Motion was made and carried with all ayes directing the staff to apply for the Center Point Grant for Rescue Stabilization Struts.

Storm Sewer Utility Fee

The administrator reviewed with the council the adopted Storm Sewer Utility Fee from 2004 assisting with payment for associateed costs with the operation and maintenance of improvements to the storm sewer system. These revenues generated related to storm sewer from monthly fee funds. An internal audit of the storm sewer utility accounts demonstrated that the fee was not being charged to some properties within the city. Further discovery showed that the properties not being charged did not have sanitary sewer or water service. This was consi-dered an oversight. Letters explaining the storm sewer system were forwarded to property owners. Invitations were also ex-tended to attend the council meeting for further discussion.

Another element financed by the storm sewer utility fee in-cludes the inspections and maintenance of ponds, infrastruc-ture, etc. The Public Works Supervisor relayed that water hold-ing ponds had in fact been inspected. Question was asked re-garding the dredging of the ponds and this too had been com-pleted as regular maintenance. Some requiring more than others.

Fire Service Hyreement

San Francisco and Dahlgren Townships receive their contracted fire protection from the Carver Fire Department. A revised agreement for contracted services has been revised between the townships and the city. The final draft was brought to the city council for their preliminary review. Primary revisions within the agreement were reviewed.

The proposed agreement changed the funding formula for cost distribution by adding a variable for population. The existing agreement averages use of the department over a three year period along with the taxable market values determining cost allocation. The process went smoothly the council was told. Motions were made and carried with all ayes adopting the Fire Protection Agreement with both townships, Dahlgren and SanFrancisco.

Carver Fun Run

It's time. The annual Carver Fun Run is scheduled for May 5th. The event is being sponsored by The Dog House and Harvey's Bar and Grill. The event features food, refreshment, prizes, 50/50's raffles and much more. The Fun Run supports the American Diabetes Association's Camp Needlepoint and the Shriner's Hospital for Children. Any questions, stop at the two bars and they will be more than happy to answer any of your questions.

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.

Downtown Directional Sign

The Downtown Directional Sign at the site of the Levi Griffin Road was reviewed by the administrator with the council. The council had discussed a design proposal for the sign. Request had been made to the font to match the "city logo font" along with the options to possibly lower costs relating to the sign. The council previously identified at their Strategic Planning Areas and Goals the desire for placement of the signage at the Levi Griffin road designating and identifying the link to the downtown area of Carver. The Freeway Commercial District Committee accepted the responsibility of this project. The committee chose this placement with the concept of this being the location for the largest impact on drivers leaving the new freeway commercial district. The elements used for the sign were designed to emulate the main monument sign. Furthermore promoting "river meets Prairie" already existent on the Levi Griffin Road: the curve wave was designed as a river element, while the use of corten steel as a historical element. Lettering to be lit with LED lighting.

Sign placement was discussed. The Committee was of the opinion that the location chosen was the best choice, however two council members disagreed. Question was asked where the nearest street light was located and that the cost was too high. Another comment was made that the impression was that he sign would be duplicated at different entrances to the city and that the LED were necessary for evening hours. Another statement was made that the sign was too expensive and did not represent Historic Carver. Comment was made that the placement pointed the way to downtown area. Comparatively this sign was not the most expensive sign. Preference was made to the "Carver's Historic District" sign. The intent was to bring all parts of the city together and this type of sign would be more noticeable. People don't pay attention to metal signs any longer it was pointed out. Question was asked if more information could be put on the sign. That type of sign would encourage ventureing into the downtown area. Motion was made and carried with three ayes and two nays to authorize the purchase the directional sign.

Spring Clean Up Day!

Remember it's Carver's annual Clean up Day. Need details? Check bulletin boards throughout the city, contact city hall or look on line if you have a computer. Check Carver Current for last month's issue and the announcement. This will all occur May 5th, Saturday [before the Carver Fun Run morning.

Fifth *H*nnual RiverSide Rhapsody Music Festival

The Fifth Annual RiverSide Rhapsody Music Festival plans are being finalized. The dates have been scheduled for June 13^{th} , June 20^{th} and June 27^{th} . The performances will take place at 6 PM until 8 PM. You are invited to RiverSide Park, grab a chair, bring a blanket, bring the kids and have some family time in the open air. All three nights are on Wednesday evenings. The first band to entertain and delight you is Sam Kuusisto playing variety, country and rock on the 13^{th} of June. On the 20^{th} you will be entertained with pop, rock, and modern country performed by Shirts and Skins. Then on the 27^{th} enjoy rock and bluegrass by Galactic Cowboy Orchestra.

Women are Angels. And when someone breaks their wings, Women simply continue to fly....on a broomstick.

Women are flexible like that.

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 all over. What is the website again? <u>www.carvercurrent.com</u>



Black Sox Family Day

Spend the day at the park with your hometown team on June 3rd is what the Carver Black Sox are promoting. The day will begin at 12:30 PM at the Community Park in Carver. Kids are free. So kids bring your parents and \$ 2. Per adult at the gate. The kids will receive an honorary team member badge, be able to practice with the team, and get a hot dog and soda after practice. Then the whole family can enjoy the 2 PM game with the Carver Black Sox versus the Brownton Bruins.

A better day couldn't be planned unless the weather doesn't cooperate. But I just bet if you talk really, really nice to Mother Nature, she will see if she can make the sun shine.

The Black Sox also extend their 'special' thanks to everyone that attended the fall Turkey Bingo and made the night a success!

Carver Lions

The Carver Lions always welcome new members and invite you to come to their meetings. They hold their meetings at the Village Hall the first and third Wednesday evening of the month. During the summer months (June, July and August) the Lions only meet once, the first Wednesday of the month. The other months of the year there are two meetings jam packed full of fun and giving. There is never a dull moment nor an idle member. Come and join in. Check it out. You don't want to be that person who says, "Why did I wait so long. I should have done this sooner."

*H*udition Notice:

Chaska Valley Family Theatre auditions for the broadway musical "Into The Woods," will be held at the *Chaska Community Center* Theater, 1661 Park Ridge Drive, Chaska, May 14, 6:00 – 9:30pm, May 15, 7:00 – 9:40pm. Callbacks are May 16, 6:00 – 9:00pm at the same location. Kid's Special Audition (ages 9 – 14) will be held May 17, 6:00 – 9:00pm.

Please be prepared with a monologue from a show other than "Into the Woods," and a few bars from a song from "Into the Woods."

Performance dates are July 25, 26, 27, 28 – 7:00pm, July 29 – 2:00pm, Aug. 1, 2, 3, 4 – 7:00pm and

Aug, 5 – 2:00pm.

"Into the Woods" is written by James Lapine with music and Lyrics by Stephen Sondheim. When a Baker and his Wife learn they've been cursed with childlessness by the witch next door, they embark on a quest for the special objects required to break the spell by swindling, lying and stealing from Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, Rapunzel and Jack in the Beanstalk. Everyone's wish is granted at the end of Act One, but the consequences of their action return to haunt them later with disastrous results. What begins as a lively irreverent fantasy quickly becomes a lesson about community responsibility and the stories we tell our children. "Into the Woods" is directed by Jim Lund. For more information go to www.cvft.org

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Chaska Valley Family Theatre www.cvft.org

Community Calendar May 2012

May 1st -	Happy Birthday Texan!
	Happy Birthday Barb!
May 2nd -	Lion's Meeting
May 3rd -	Drill Night
	Happy Birthday Carolanne!
May 4 th -	Happy Birthday Darrin!
May 5th	Carver Fun Run
	Carver Spring Clean up Day!
	Cinco de Mayo
	Happy Anniversary Kris and Lee!
	Happy Birthday Jim!
	Carver Scott Thresher's Swap Meet
May 7th -	Council Meeting
• •	Happy Birthday Cassie!
May 8th -	Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting
-	Happy Birthday Madison!
May 9th -	SteamBoat Committee Meeting
-	Happy Birthday Chris!
May 10 th -	Happy Birthday Traci!
May 12th -	Kerber Family and Accident Victims Fundraiser
May 13th -	Mother's Day
	Happy Birthday Breanna!
May 14 th -	Dahlgren Township
	Dahlgren Board of Appeal and Equalization Meeting
May 15 th -	East Union PTO Meeting
	Happy Birthday Tim!
May 16 th -	Lion's Meeting
	The Taste of the Southwest Metro
May 17 th -	Planning Commission Meeting
May 18th -	Golf Outing at Dahlgreen Golf Club
May 19th -	Armed Forces Day
	Happy Birthday Scheryl!
May 20th -	Happy Birthday Tiffany!
May 21 ^s -	Drill Night
	Council Work Shop / Meeting
34 04	Happy Anniversary Scheryl and Leon!
May 28th -	Memorial Day
3.5	Happy Birthday Keith!
May 29 th -	Park and Recreation Board Meeting
May 30 th -	Happy Birthday Craig!
May 31 st -	Fire Department Meeting
	Happy Birthday Karalyn!
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Carver Parks and Recreation

The Carver Parks and Recreation summer brochures are out and about. It's also on-line for those who have computer access. I bet you can find brochures at City Hall or call Kristy at 952.448.2290, extension #2 for your very own personal copy. May's upcoming Fitness Programs:

Cardio-Kick Fitness on Wednesdays, May 9 – May 30th at 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM at the Village Hall Gym. Cost is \$ 21/person, Adults. Total Body Conditioning scheduled for Thursdays, May 10 – May 31st at 6:30 – 7:30 PM, also being held at the Village Hall Gym, same cost.

Zumba Day, also same cost, same place, but on Fridays May 11 – June 1st at 11 AM to Noon.



Carver Community Youth Baseball/Softball

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The Association is kicking off their Water Softener Salt fundraiser. They seek assistance in maintaining their programs. Be sure to also go and support the kids and watch them play ball. Thank you to all who support and help with the association. Appreciation is never an understatement.

Carver Youth Baseball & Softball Association will be holding its first Water Softener Salt fundraiser in May. Details and the link to order will be posted on the City of Carver's web site, around town and it will also be posted in the City of Carver Newsletter. This will be an online ordering system and the salt will be delivered to your doorstep on June 2nd. Please support CCYBSA in maintaining our program.

Carver has had a great registration for 2012. We have 12 T-Ball team that will be playing on Tuesday and Thursday's at either 5:45 or 7:00PM. We have 8 Baseball teams laying on Tuesday or Thursday Playing at 6:00PM or 7:30PM. Girl's softball has 10 teams and they play Monday thru Thursday. Games will be at 6:30 at one of the fields in town. Carver Lions Park of Carver Community Park. Overflow games will be played at the Carver Bluffs.

Update by Jane Thon, President

All Softball and Baseball Teams have been formed and have started practicing. Games start the week of May 14th. T-Ball games will begin June 5th. Coaches will be contacting T - Ball players by May 15th. Again, we will be looking at a full schedule of games on our fields, so do come out and watch the future leaders play some great ball.

Our game schedules will be posted on the home page and anyone can go to this page (who have access to computers) and select the team you are interested in an open the schedule to see where they are playing. Go to: www.cityofcarver.com

Select: " Local Athletic Associations" and then "CCYBSA". We encourage all our Youth and Parents to represent Carver: By good sportsmanship, and by treating all players, coaches, parents and officials with respect.



Jane



Extra Announcements

On May 16th in the City Square Park in Chaska is "The Taste of the Southwest Metro" event. The SouthWest Metro Chamber of Commerce is hosting their 27th year; "The Taste" in downtown Chaska. The Commerce says that this highly publicized community event attracts thousands of area residents annually.

You are invited to join in on Friday, May 18th at Dahlgreen Golf Club for a great time of recreation, fellowship and fun while making a difference to those in need in your community. 'Drive for a Difference Golf Outing' is a benefit for Love Inc of Eastern Carver County. The agenda is a full event of lunch, golf, silent auction, dinner and brief program. Can't take in the whole event, then just come for the silent auction, dinner and the brief program. To register for this event, go to the website.....www.loveincecc.org. Don't have a computer, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 952.474.3233.



Saturday, May 5th 2012

8 AM - 4 PM

The Second Annual Bone Daddy Classic

Its been a really nice spring, but summer doesn't begin until after the Bone Daddy Classic!

If you have been thinking about replacing that old grill, stop by our store this

Saturday and see some of the areas best grillers competing for \$1000.

Last year we had over 700 people come to visit, to eat, or to support the community. Don't miss this once a year opportunity to learn from the areas best grillers. Thinking of an Egg Purchase? There will never be a better opportunity!

Happy Mother's Day Moms!









Kerber Family & Accident Victims BENEFIT

A community coming together to support the Kerber family and friends who were affected by a tragic RV accident on 4/1/12.

> Five beautiful lives were lost that day.

Saturday, May 12th Scott County Fairgrounds Jordan, MN

- Motocross Open Ride 11 am 3:30 pm
 \$20 to ride
- Freestyle MX Show 4 5 pm
- Buffet-Style Dinner 4 7 pm Roast beef, bun, salad, dessert, drink & more
- Car Show 4 7 pm
- Silent Auction 4 7 pm, checkout 8 pm
- Live Auction 6:45 pm
- Live Music 7:30 pm

Admission Includes Meal \$20 per Adult \$10 per Child (6-12 yrs) 5 yrs and under free Beer available on-site for purchase

For up-to-date event information and auction items see motokazie.com

All proceeds will be distributed equally to the Kerber family and accident victims.

For questions about auction donations or auction volunteering contact Christy Theis at cdtheis@chaska.net

Auction item drop-off location: Ww Will & Sons 311 190th St W., Jordan, MN Call before drop: 952-492-2411

For all other questions contact Lee@motokazie.com or visit www.motokazie.com

All donations are an act of kindness and are not tax deductible.

With love and support for the Kerber, Schoenbauer, VonBank, Barney, Henry, Hammers, Bell and Slark families.



For additional information see the Kerber Family and Friends Memorial Page