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April

Wilson's Warbler: "By your nature you are a kind person: generous with your time, feelings and emotions. There are definitely times when you don't feel like this at all. If ever you shy or not good enough always know you can rely on yourself!"

Canary:

"Laughter and mirth abound with Canary babies. Sometimes a clown and sometimes brandishing a rapier wit, you love nothing more than to cheer people up or entertain everyone around you. If you see a funny meme, your comments will make it twice as funny in a heartbeat!"



Canaries are fun loving!"

References: www.apost.com and www.mysticalraven.com.

Athletic Fields

The city manager discussed athletic field scheduling and use policy draft with the city council. There has been a long-standing practice of reserving, maintaining and facilitating athletic field usage throughout the park system within the city. This practice has been implemented without a written policy throughout the past. These informal processes have been relatively successful however there are circumstances that have caused distress due to the lack of established policies and procedures. Due to the necessity of establishment of clear and shared processes a formal scheduling and use policy has been proposed. The drafted policy entails expectations for field conditions and closures, process for field reservations, establish priority system for usage, defines maintenance responsibilities and sets expectation for reserving organization and participants.

Certified Levee Concept

WSB & Associates representatives presented an update to the city regarding the levee improvements. Question was asked about city ownership on part of the levee on the south side. The city manager responded that some section was marked as undefined and the city planner and the attorney are researching title searches on this property.

An area identified as the blue bucket was inquired about as far as the percentage of the total length of the levee falling within this area. The area was summarized on the cost summary. Question was also asked regarding the lineal foot prices included repaving of the levee. This included removal and replacement of the trail along the entire stretch. Construction on the levee would ultimately destroy the trail due to the heavy equipment. Question was asked about the subsurface toe drain. The response given that the drain would be constructed along the landward side and come in to the lift station. There was not any toe drains currently. Previous flooding scenarios were discussed. Spring Creek issues were also reviewed. The option presented was the least amount of risk and more affordable option. Question was asked regarding the lifespan and maintenance of the levee. Response was that there would be the ongoing operations and maintenance with every few years the necessity of recertifications.

Suggestion was offered that the council members speak with elected officials regarding funding requests. An open house forum to present information to stakeholders was a good direction. Recommendation was also stated to engage the financial advisors to perform a cost analysis. The process could be explained in the upcoming utility bill.

"People were created to be loved

Things were created to be used

The world is in chaos

Because things are being loved and people are being used"

~ unknown author/ Facebook West Union Page

Small Cell Wireless

The city planner discussed recent changes to small cell technology equipment through the MN legislature. The primary changed involve right-of-way statue allowing the technology with limited restrictions. Currently, the technology is permitted with limited ability to regulate placement and impact. Cities are not allowed to prohibit technology equipment in any district under current MN state law but most communities have a permit process through right-of-way ordinances. The City of Carver maintains a right-of-way ordinance requiring both a permit and a fee for any work within the right-of-way. This practice will continue; however, consideration must be given in areas that have adverse impact of small cell technology. The small cell wireless facility definitions were reviewed. Discussion was held for a potential update to the city code implementing small cell technology a conditional use both in residential districts and the historic district. This would allow information review with the Planning Commission, the council, and residents through a Public Hearing. This change would continue permitting use in commercial and industrial zones but a conditional use for residential and the historic district of Carver. The council reviewed the ordinance in relation to management of the right-of-way and language relating to small cell technology, including the ordinance, permitting, a facility agreement, administration and enforcement of the ordinance. The action of adding small cell technology as a conditional use would not change nor update the adopted ordinance. The change would be included in the Zoning Ordinance. The Planning Commission had reviewed the issue and were supportive of the conditional use process inclusion.

The Planning Commission reviewed additional information regarding small cell technology update to the city code as a conditional use in residential districts and throughout the historic district. Currently, it is permitted throughout a community with limited ability to regulate placement and impact. Cities are not able to prohibit small cell technology equipment in any district under current MN state law but most communities have a permitting process through a city's right-of-way ordinance. The purpose of the discussion and potential update to the city code making the technology conditional use. Presently there is no restriction except to pay the right-of-way fee. Aesthetics and density requirements were stated to be the biggest challenge. It was stated that density, aesthetics, application approvals and fees should be focused upon. Suggestion was also submitted to consider language regulating city parks, timelines for review and implementation from receipt of application.

MN Valley Electric Cooperative



Reminder that the MN Valley Electric Cooperative members are invited to the annual meeting in LeCenter on April 9th. The 82nd Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday at 7 PM. Registration at 6:30 PM at the Tri-City United Elementary/Middle School at 150 Tyrone Street in LeCenter. For more information, visit www.mvec.net

Boulevard Maintenance

The city manager discussed with the council at their work session meeting the discussion relating to regulations for boulevard maintenance in the right-of-way's. Interest was expressed by the council for developing formal standards.

During council work session, the council discussed the elements comprising a right-of-way and specifically within that right-of-way the boulevard maintenance. A drafted ordinance formally requires abutting property owner to maintain the boulevard area adjacent to their property. This has not been a problem overall, however for the benefit of formalizing the practice avoids future conflicts. The draft exempts maintenance requirements for county, state, and federal right-of-way based on the complexity and consequences associated with right-of-way's owned and maintained by other jurisdictions. The council reviewed the drafted ordinance.

United Properties

The council reviewed a rough draft of the Concept Plan at their work session for the proposed development by United Properties.

Carver Investment LLD and United Properties owns the property in the southwest corner of Jonathan Carver Parkway & Highway # 212. The opportunity for development has been presented. The first step is annexation. The annexation has been approved by the Office of Administrative Hearings and the city has land use authority. The parcel has been earmarked for commercial development. The long-range plan is anticipated to fully develop commercially but at this time, submittal for a gas/convenience business has been presented for a little over one and three quarters acres in relation to the total thirty acres. The balance will remain as an outlet until developed. Rezoning is required. United Properties and D R Horton worked together constructing Monroe Drive. The county will be reviewing the Concept Plan to determine access from Jonathan Carver Parkway. A traffic study was submitted and being reviewed by the city staff and the county. Indication is that a temporary signal will be required and will remain in place until a permanent system is in place with the Jonathan Carver Parkway project. A noise study was required at the time of the Preliminary Plat for Meridian Fields and noise mitigation was required. Commercial and residential development fall into different classifications for maximum readings. The conclusions as a result from the Meridian Fields development, a noise study or mitigation were not required for the United Properties project. Current discussions are underway for naming of the project. The Planning Commission reviewed the plan and supported the Concept Plan. A request was made that the car wash include water recycling.

Representatives from United Properties attended the council meeting to answer questions regarding the Concept Plan. The timeframe of the project was reviewed. Tentatively the plans to submit pre-liminary and final plats by the month of May, grading to begin in June or July and delivering a useable pad by November dependent on weather conditions. Proposed access along Jonathan Carver Parkway was inquired about. The access would occur by the county when improvements on the parkway are done. The issue of the private road will be reviewed in the future. Multiple questions were asked of the representatives.

The Planning Commission reviewed the United Properties Concept Plan with the City Planner. The plan involves the southwest corner of Jonathan Carver Parkway and Highway # 212. It is anticipated that the property will fully develop with commercial users in the future. At this time, however, the Concept Plan submitted involve a gas/ convenience business with access from Monroe Drive. Representatives attended the Planning Commission meeting to answer questions, as well. The building is designed for a convenience store and a car wash. The total site consists of approximately thirty acres. The proposed site would be a little more than an acre.

Children of Tomorrow

May 4th is fast approaching. Making plans to attend the Carver Vendor Fair hosted by the Children of Tomorrow staff on Saturday from 9 AM to 11 AM? Everyone is welcome. Fantastic way to promote your business, perfect opportunity to introduce your business to local residents. Contact Chelsey at 952.466.2603 for more details or e-mail her at chelsey@childrenoftomorrow.com.

"The job of the artist is always to deepen the mystery."

~ Francis Bacon



Corridor Study

The city and the county have a joint agreement to conduct a Corridor Study between Highway # 212 and County Road # 40 on Jonathan Carver Parkway or also identified as County Road # 11. The purpose of the study is to identify the short, middle and long-term improvements necessary to be addressed for the next twenty years. The study is also expected to address local supporting roadway network that feeds into and parallels the parkway. The council reviewed the status update on the project and discussion scheduling an open house to study recommendations.

Many of the technical evaluations have been completed to identify existing and future issues. These evaluations included the amount and the schedule of developments along and surrounding the corridor, traffic, congestion, intersections, safety, pedestrian and bicycle connectivity, access, environmental and hydrology issues. Improvements and alternatives to address identified problems and technical analysis were considered. This included lanes, turning lanes, modifications, intersection control, pedestrian and bicycle facilities, other roadways, concept development, stormwater, sign, striping and tree clearing, and impacts of right-of-way. Input regarding the study will continue to be sought. To date, one open house meeting was conducted, focus group meeting, newsletters distributed throughout the city, hosted a project website and presentations with local officials at the city and township levels. An Open House meeting is scheduled for April 11th at the Carver Elementary School scheduled to begin at 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM.

The purpose of the meeting is to review the study update, feedback on the concepts and proposed implementation plans for the corridor. The items included will be the study area map, goals and objectives, identified issues, proposed growth, land use changes, environmental resources, crash problem areas at intersections and segments, existing and future congestions, ultimate corridor concept, landscaping concept, implementation plan, near term projects, long term improvements, cost estimates and the next steps in the study. Several concepts for the corridor were studied. Development and evaluation were one part of the concept with significant emphasis put on identifying the number of lanes necessary, facility locations, full access locations establishment and maintenance, and the types of traffic control at key intersections. The implementation and budgeting are another factor to the study. Recognizing the portions of the ultimate corridor in the timeframe were identified providing the context when improvements would be necessary to be constructed. Right-of-way activities would be ongoing as adjacent developments are submitted.

The immediate attention and activities involve collection of feedback on concepts and alternatives presented and refine these, prepare draft and final reports, transition to design activities between Levi Griffin Road and Fourth Street and plan for the northern half of the project costs.

Over the past year, Carver County and the City of Carver have studied roadway needs for the Jonathan Carver Parkway (County Highway 11) corridor to address a growing population and identify short, mid, and Jong-term improvement projects. We invite you to attend a Public Information Meeting to learn about the study findings and provide input on the draft recommendations and priorities identified for the Jonathan Carver Parkway corridor.

The meeting is an open house format, no formal presentation will be provided. If you cannot attend the meeting, we encourage you to visit the project's website at jpcorridorstudy.com to learn more about the study and to provide comments.

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Submitted by: Vicki

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If you have further questions, please contact bmareck@cityofcarver.com.

The meeting will be held in the school cafeteria commons at 1717 Ironwood Drive in Carver.

Commerce Drive

The council reviewed information relating to Commerce Drive and the authorization of purchase of wetland bank credits. The project has been identified to construct an improvement north of the Mills Gas Mart and Levi Griffin Road intersection construction public roadway, storm sewer, sanitary sewer and watermain infrastructure. Two wetlands have been identified which will be permanently impacted as part of the public infrastructure construction.

The wetland bank credits must be purchased to account for the permanent impact area. The replacement plan application was submitted, reviewed and approved by the MN Board of Soil and Water Resources. To complete the final step in the process is the purchase. Bids received are being reviewed. The next step of the project is contract award consideration scheduled for April. Construction proposed for May through November of 2019 with final construction and project closeout to occur in the spring of 2020.

Miscellaneous

The city planner presented the council with information pertaining to the request for a semi-permanent food truck in the Community Park parking lot area. The topic will be continued to be explored.

The city manager informed the council that the county had identified opportunities to partner with the city for the 2018 Storm sewer project pertaining to construction along County Road # 11. The county would pay for a study to establish combining resources. The project would be delayed until fall.

The city manager provided an overview of the drafted policy regarding field use and scheduling policy. Request for more information was requested. So, the issue will be again discussed in the future.

The city planner informed the Planning Commission members of several development projects coming up that included the final plat for Hawthorne Ridge and Meridian Fields Phase II Final Plat in spring. The Final Plat for Phase II for Meadows at Spring Creek is forthcoming.

Early Spring?

For fun this year, this editor paid attention to the timelines involving the Groundhog seeing or not seeing his shadow to predict early spring or not. Made note of the dates, if sun appeared or not on February 2nd. There probably is not any credence to any of this myth but what the hey. Not everything in life has to be total seriousness does it? The fun tracking takes the negativity to no man's land for a couple minutes, right? One would wonder too, if the author has nothing better to do. Newsflash, yes, I do. I thought it would be fun to see what really transpires with this tradition. Notes to oneself does wonders for being able to do this crazy kind of stuff.

Moving forward, Punxsutawney Phil did not see his shadow on the Saturday emergence in Pittsburgh. In MN however, our MN groundhog, oh we'll just name him, Dazzle Frosting, did see his shadow that brutal week with a refreshing 29° morning. Legend says, sees shadow, six more weeks of winter, no shadow, spring around the corner.

Calculations either way, March 23rd is the sixth week. Early spring or not?

Carver Black Sox

Submitted by: Benno Sand

The snow is nearly melted, the 2019 game schedule is complete and available on the Carver Black Sox web site (carverbblacksox.com) and the first practice is scheduled for April 6, 2019, playing first game on Saturday, April 27th at Woody Swanson Field and Sunday in St Louis Park on April 28th. Family day is scheduled for June 22, 2019. The annual event provides an opportunity for Carver youth to practice with the Black Sox players prior to the 2:00 pm game, eat ball park food and attend the game as guest of the Black Sox. More details will be available on the web site and through CCYBSA as the date approaches.

In March we held a very successful collaboration meeting with City of Carver officials and planning for the August 2019 Region 7C Minnesota State baseball tournament is moving into the next phase. Press box construction and other park improvements projects should get underway in May. The team is seeking financial support for several of the projects, please consider a financial donation. Also, there will be opportunities to volunteer during the four tournament days. A Sign-Up Genius schedule will be activated on the web site shortly. Go Black Sox!!

Community Calendar Highlights

May 2019

May 1 st	Carver Lions Meeting Law Day May Day Happy Birthday Texan! Happy Birthday Barb!
May 2 nd	Late Start Holocaust Remembrance Day
May 4 th	Children of Tomorrow Vendor Fair Chanhassen Prom Night - Chaska Event Center Happy Birthday Anastasia!
May 5 th	Ramadan Begins Cinco De Mayo Happy Anniversary Kris and Lee! Happy Birthday Jim!
May 6 th	Council Meeting School Board Workshop Meeting East Union Band Concert National Teacher's Day Happy Birthday Cassie!
May 7 th	Taste of Chaska Happy Birthday Maddie!
May 8 th	Happy Birthday Chris!
May 9 th	Happy Birthday Traci!
May 10 th	East Union Church Plant Sale
May 11 th	Mother's Day
May 12 th	Parks Commission Meeting
May 13 th	Dahlgren Township Board Meeting Carver Elementary PTO Meeting East Union PTO Meeting Happy Birthday Breana! Happy Birthday John!
May 14 th	Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting Meet and Greet/Carver Carver-on-the-Minnesota Meeting
May 15 th	Carver Lions Meeting Peace Officer's Memorial Day Happy Birthday Tim!
May 16 th	Planning Commission Meeting
May 17 th	Carver Business Alliance Meeting Happy Birthday Matthew!
May 18 th	Carver Bike Rodeo Carver Clean-Up Day Chaska High School Prom Night - Hazeltine Golf Course Armed Forces Day Happy Anniversary Erin and Luke!
May 19 th	Happy Birthday Scheryl!
May 20 th	Council Meeting School Board Meeting Happy Birthday Tiffney!
May 21 st	Carver Elementary 5 th Grade Track and Field East Union 5 th Grade Track and Field Happy Anniversary Leon and Scheryl!
May 23 rd	Carver Elementary Fun Run and Ice Cream Event Happy Birthday Jackman!
May 27 th	Memorial Day Observed
May 28 th	Happy Birthday Keith!
May 30 th	Memorial Day Happy Birthday Craig!
May 31 st	Happy Birthday Carolyn! Happy Anniversary Bonnie and Bruce!



Carver Current

Familiar with the website www.carvercurrent.com? You might want to check it out. It's an excellent source of information of city updates, local organization events, local news, school activities, sports results etc. This is a great site for sharing important information and events affecting local residents. The newsletter, the "Villager Tower" can also be found on this website.

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Carver Shops

April's Occasional Shop dates are 18th through the 21st, Easter weekend and May 16th through the 19th. Many shops will be open Wednesday through Sunday for your shopping pleasure. Perfect opportunity to find that something special for mom for Mother's Day!

The Shops of Carver:

All Things Fabulous – [Facebook](#)

Wed-Sat 10 AM – 5 PM/Occasional Shop Sun 11 – 4 PM

Be You By Alison Boutique – [Facebook](#)

Hours set weekly – Check Facebook

Carver Flowers – [Website](#) / [Pinterest](#) / [Facebook](#)

Tues – Sat 10 AM – 5 PM

Fourfold Studios – [Website](#)

Mon – Thurs 9 AM – 4 PM

Ripple Art Studio & Gallery – [Facebook](#) / [Website](#)

Check Facebook

Occasional Shop Sun 10 AM – 4 PM

Sweeter Times – [Facebook](#)

Check Facebook and Website

The Good Junk Garage – [Facebook](#)

Temperance Arts & Gifts – [Facebook](#)

Reopened in March – stop and see their new products (F-bombs and hair bows are back)

Announcement – Strange Birds opened next door to All Things Fabulous – watch for more details in next month's issue



Chaska Valley Family Theatre

The Chaska Valley Family Theatre will be having auditions at the Chaska Community Center on May 13th and May 14th from 6 PM to 9 PM for their upcoming presentation of "Bye Bye Birdie".

Showtimes are scheduled for July and August. Call backs for auditions will be held on May 16th. For more information, check their website at www.cvft.org.



Don't forget that registration opens soon for Dragon Fly Theatre Arts Camp. These camps will be held in June.

West Union Lutheran Church

Like Bingo? Love Bingo? Can't Live without Bingo? Well then, on Sunday, March 24th the West Union congregation extends an invite to come and join and support their Youth Group with a night of Bingo. Prizes will be awarded too. You can also share in dinner starting at 5 PM. See flyer attached for more details.



Then on April 7th, Sunday, join the congregation for worship and Blessing of Farmers and Equipment at 9 AM. They are also having a Pot Luck, so bring a dish too and share with them.

Last, but not least, plan on joining West Lutheran at their Turkey Dinner on April 28th at 11 AM to 1 PM. Turkey and all the fixins' are planned. Can't stay and eat, carry out available. See flyer attached for more information. Also, if you like old time polka music, you are in for a treat at worship (9 AM). You will be entertained by Chuck Thiel and the Jolly Ramblers Polka Band.

Red Cross Blood Drive Reminder

The Red Cross Blood Drive sponsored by the Carver Lions is coming to town. Well technically, to Chaska at the VFW at 620 Creek Road. So, stop in, make an appointment and donate blood for someone in need. You could save a life.



Monday, April 29th, at the Chaska VFW on 620 Creek Road, Chaska. The drive starts at noon. You can call ahead and make an appointment, just call 1.800.Red-Cross or if it more convenient, visit: www.redcrossblood.org, Sponsor Code: Carver Village.

Can't make it that day? There are also blood drives at three other locations in the area. Saturday, April 13th from 9 AM to 3 PM at Holy Family Catholic High School on 8101 Kochia Lane in Victoria would be more than happy to accept your blood for those in need. Or perhaps it would be a better time at the Victoria Lions Park Pavilion at 8339 Victoria Drive at 1 PM to 6 PM on Tuesday, April 16th? Even closer still, for some, on Wednesday, April 24th at 2:30 PM until 7:30 PM you could pop in at St John's Lutheran Church in Chaska on 300 4th Street East?

Remember lives depend on donations of blood. Perhaps you would consider donating at one these locations during the month of April?

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Carver Business Alliance

The Carver Business Alliance is a group of Carver businesses that meet every third Friday of the month at 8 AM at the Carver Place. Anyone owning a business in Carver is welcome. The next scheduled meetings are April 19th and May 17th.

Open Gym

Hey, in case you hadn't heard, there is Open Gym at the Carver Elementary Gym and it has been extended to April 14th. Another free event. Bring your own basketball and equipment on Sundays at 2 PM until 5 PM. During Spring Break, however, the gym will be closed. (March 24th through March 31st). If you have any questions, contact the City of Carver at bgood@cityofcarver.com.



35th Annual Taste of Chaska

Are you ready for summer? Soon the pace will once again be picked up and calendars will begin filling up fast with all the fun things families want to participate in. One of the first events kicking off the summer of 2019 will be the 35th Annual Taste of Chaska. Hard to believe that it began in 1985. How much has changed from the early days?

Temperatures should be much warmer and on Wednesday, May 9th in downtown Chaska at the City Square Park hosted by SouthWest Metro Chamber of Commerce will be happy to serve starting at 5 PM until 9 PM. The chamber stated that the community event attracts nearly two thousand area residents offering a tremendous opportunity for area businesses to participate. There is no charge to just mosey about and check things out.



Carver Bike Rodeo

The Carver Fire Department will be hosting the Community Spring Safety Event and Bike Rodeo on Saturday, May 18th at 9 AM until noon. The event is sponsored by the Carver County Sheriffs, Funky Minds, Carver Lions, City of Carver, Michael's Cycles, A Better Society and the Carver Fire Department.

You are invited to bring your bike and helmet to check out their bike obstacle course. There will be safety check and helmet fitting, It's Free!



East Union Lutheran Church

Egg Hunt, April 14th after Palm
Sunday worship – all are welcome,
bring your baskets
Plant Sale – May 11th – watch for details at Carver Current website.

Don't Forget about Mom on Mother's Day – May 12th



Roots Return Heritage Farm

"Fresh, Dried & Frozen Farm Produce
Fruit, vegetables & herbs available via our
farm stand with on-site parking during the
season, and delivered to select wholesale
accounts. Proud to sustainably grow
healthy food via healthy soil stewardship. We are a MN Ag Water
Quality certified farm. No synthetic inputs, and continual cover crop
rotations for healthy soil, food and community."



Annual Clean-up Day

Submitted by: Vicky
The City of Carver's Annual Clean-up Day is
scheduled for Saturday, May 18th at 7 AM.
Reference inserted flyer for more information
on what is and is not accepted. If you have
any further questions, please contact
vsonseiden@cityofcarver.com.



Heritage Preservation Commission Open House

Everyone is invited to join the Heritage Preserva-
tion Commission and city staff to an Open House on
Tuesday, April 9th at 5 PM until 7 PM at the city Council Chambers at
the Church-by-the-River.

Learn more about Carver's Historic District and ask questions
regarding the Heritage Preservations Commission's review and
permitting requirements. Staff will be available to answer questions
about design standards, which provide guidelines for preservation
and rehabilitation to protect and preserve a building's historic and
architectural value. Resident historian, John von Walter will present
the history of the City of Carver beginning at 6:15 PM. Previous
winners of the Heritage Preservation Commission Award will also be
highlighted. If you are unable to attend the meeting, information and
helpful tips can be found at [www.cityofcarver.com/heritage-
preservation-commission](http://www.cityofcarver.com/heritage-preservation-commission). The commission and staff look forward to
seeing you Tuesday, April 9th at the Church-by-the-River Council
Chambers.



2019 Teacher of the Year Finalists

By: Lauren Stovern

The 2019 Teacher of the Year finalists will be named by the District 112
Foundation at an awards banquet, Sunday, April 28th at 4 PM at Oak
Ridge Conference Center. Five finalists for Eastern Carver County
Schools have been announced. They are Bill Gilness of the Chaska
Middle School West, Nina Kirkman from Pioneer Ridge Middle
School, Mary Mobeck from Carver Elementary School, Virginia
Jackson from Chanhassen Elementary and Justin Newman from
Chaska Middle School East. The recipient of the award receives a grant
for use in their schools and finalists will receive a grant through
sponsors.



Congratulations!

Christopher and Shannon Clouse want to
share their announcement that they are
proud to welcome their new addition to
their family. Meet Owen James who was
born on March 7th, 2019 at 4:23 AM.
Congratulations to mom and dad!



SouthWest Transit

Twins fan? SouthWest Transit will be starting their Twins Express
routes on March 28th through August 21st on weekdays, holidays not
included in this route special. SouthWest Transit is offering to take
you out to the Ball Game with quick, easy and convenient service from
the Eden Prairie station, Chanhassen Village and East Creek stations.
Please note that unfortunately service will not be included from the
Carver or Chanhassen Transit stations. The return times will be
twenty minutes after the last out of the 7th inning, twenty minutes
after the last out of the game and on the nights of fireworks, twenty
minutes after end of the fireworks. Drop off and return locations will
be 7th Street Ramp (Garage A), after the game, board the bus where
you were dropped off. The Fares will be \$ 6 for round trip, children
under 5 ride free and Disabled Veterans (with ID) ride free.

Don't forget that the valet service is also available at the stations.
Managing your vehicle maintenance with Bobby and Steve's Valet
Service. For more information check the website www.swtransit.org.

SW Ride begins Monday, April 22nd. What is SW Ride? Its SW
Transit's bike rental program beginning April 22nd through October
18th. Bikes are available for rent for the entire season or daily.
Applications are available on line at their website.

Currently, SW Transit is also accepting applications for secret riders!
What is that you ask? Secret riders are selected twice a year to
conduct an unbiased review of their drivers, buses and facilities. You
can receive a Target gift card for your review. Get more information
on their website.

Carver Lions

"Carver Minnesota Lions Club. The Carver Lions Club
is a chartered club and part of Lions International.
We were chartered in 1973. We meet on the first and
third Wednesdays of each month (except Summer).
We are currently meeting at Carver Place next door to
Carver Flowers on 3rd Street."



The Carver Lions are busy planning, preparing and getting ready to
host the Easter Egg Hunt at the Community Park on Saturday, April
20th beginning at 10 AM. Think the Easter Bunny will come and visit
too? Then is the Annual Pork Chop Dinner at Stick's Tavern inside
the Dahlgreen Golf Course clubhouse on Friday, April 26th
beginning at 5 PM. The Lions will also be hosting the Shred-It event
at the Community Park on May 11th. Charitable donations are
welcome.

Be sure to support the Lions in their D-Feet event as well. More
information below. It's happening at the Landscape Arboretum on
June 1st.

The Lions member just don't sit idle. You can bet that they are
meeting to make plans to see what else they can do to improve their
community. Join them at Carver Place to be in on the fun and giving.
They meet the first and third Wednesday of each month at Carver
Place. You won't be sorry to joined them.

Carver Flowers

Submitted by: Annette Hentz
May is Prom & Mom month!!

First, Carver Flowers is your Prom Headquarters: Custom
flower corsages and boutonnières, to coordinate with any dress
color(s) Tuxedo rentals from top designers, all colors of accessories,
at prices below our competition. Plan ahead and order early.
Chanhassen HS Prom is Saturday, May 4; Chaska HS Prom is
Saturday, May 18th. In between is Mother's Day on Sunday, May 12th.



"Our Family is like branches of a tree. We may grow in
different directions, yet our roots remain as one."

~ Author unknown

"Mother's Day"

Do we really appreciate and understand exactly how important
mom's are? Do we really? Unless possibly one is a mom then maybe
one could truly comprehend all that a mom sacrifices, gives, supports,
loves unconditionally and shoulders burdens she should not.
Yet, the simple "Happy Mother's Day" is accepted graciously without
any expectations.

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Almanac Trivia Information

April is from the Latin word aperio, "to open" (bud), because plants begin to grow during this month.

Have you ever wondered how did each month's moon get its name? "The full Moon was named by Native Americans to help them track the seasons. The name often described a particular activity or event that usually occurred during that time in their location. Each tribe that named the full Moons (and / or lunar months) had its own naming preferences.

"Colonial Americans adopted some of the Native Americans full Moon names and applied them to their calendar system (primarily Julian, and later, Gregorian). The Full Moon Names used in *Old Farmer's Almanac* publications comes from the Algonquin tribes who lived in regions from New England to Lake Superior.

"Full Moon Names:

Name	Month	Variations
Full Wolf Moon	January	Full Old Moon
Full Snow Moon	February	Full Hunger Moon
Full Worm Moon	March	Full Crow Moon
		Full Crust Moon
		Full Sugar Moon
		Full Sap Moon
Full Pink Moon	April	Full Sprouting Grass Moon
		Full Egg Moon
		Full Fish Moon
Full Flower Moon	May	Full Corn Planting Moon
		Full Milk Moon
Full Strawberry Moon	June	Full Rose Moon
		Full Hot Moon
Full Buck Moon	July	Full Thunder Moon
		Full Hay Moon
Full Sturgeon Moon	August	Full Red Moon
		Full Green Corn Moon
Full Harvest Moon *	September	Full Corn Moon
		Full Barley Moon
Full Hunter's Moon	October	Full Travel Moon
		Full Dying Grass Moon
Full Beaver Moon	November	Full Frost Moon
Full Cold Moon	December	Full Long Nights Moon

* The Harvest Moon is always the full Moon closest to the autumnal equinox. If the Harvest Moon occurs in October, the September full Moon is usually called the Corn Moon.

Above information is from The Old Farmer's Almanac.

Lions D=Feet Hearing Loss Walk

"The D-Feet Hearing Loss Walk hosted by the Lions will be on Saturday, June 1st at 9:30 AM to 1 P at the MN Landscape Arboretum. You can Help D-Feet Hearing Loss by supporting the Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation at our 8th annual fundraiser walk in the beautiful Minnesota Landscape Arboretum on June 1, 2019! This fun event is suitable for all ages and abilities with 3 different walk lengths: 1/2 mile, 2 mile and 3 mile routes. There are lots of children's activities, games and prizes as well as a performance by the Teddy Bear Band and visits from mascots including the U of M's own Goldy Gopher and MD5M's snowman! Create a team and register for this fun event--your \$25 registration includes free entry to the arboretum for the day, an event T-shirt, lunch, root beer floats and all activities! Children 12 and under are free!

Join us as we come together to raise funds to D-Feet Hearing Loss and celebrate the gift of hearing. Proceeds go towards the new sound booth at the Lions Children's Hearing Center, research, clinic support, diagnostic equipment and programs for deaf/hard of hearing children and adults. Visit our website event page to register and for more details. [d-feet hearing loss walk 2019 - qgiv.com www.secureqgiv.com/efent/930172]

"The Lions Multiple District 5M Hearing Foundation is conducting its annual "D-Feet Hearing Loss" Fundraiser which will be held on June 1, 2019 at the beautiful University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. We hope you will join us in raising funds and awareness for hearing loss and the isolation associated to those inflicted with hearing loss. Your financial support allows us to implement and endorse programs such as the:

Lions Children's Hearing Center (established in 1995)
Lions Children's Hearing & ENT Clinic (established in 2011)
Lions Professorship (established in 2011); Research (ongoing)
and
Diagnostic equipment for the new clinic (2011).

Please help us support the important clinical care, research and programs pledged by the Lions MD5M Hearing Foundation. We need your support!"



Carver Community Youth Baseball / Softball Association

Submitted by Jane:

Registrations are complete for Softball and Baseball. However, registrations are still open for T-Ball players until April 25th. Most games will start around the first of June. Our boys travel team will start the end of April and at this time, we do not have a schedule. As schedules become visible, we will post them on our website. www.ccybsa.splay.com



Bingo & Pasta Dinner, March 24—West Union Lutheran Church is hosting a Pasta Dinner and Bingo event from 5pm-8pm. Dinner starts at 5pm, with the first bingo call at 5:30pm. Proceeds go towards the Luther League's mission trip to Denver this summer.



April 7th @ 9 am



Blessing of farmers and equipment!
Drive your tractor to church!
 Potluck following worship.

GROUNDED, GROWING, GIVING and GATHERING,
 —In Jesus Name



Worship starts at 9am

Join us as we set aside this day to bless our farmers and community garden partners

You may bring tools, equipment, seeds, etc... to be blessed for the planting season.

Pastor will lay hands and bless each tractor and family.

All are welcome to worship and fellowship!!



West Union

LUTHERAN CHURCH

15820 Market Ave, Cologne, MN 55322

Polka Worship 9am

Turkey Dinner 11-1

When: April 28th

MENU

- Turkey
- Mashed potatoes
- Stuffing
- Gravy
- Corn
- Coleslaw
- Pie

Carry-outs available

\$12 adult

\$8 under 12yo

free < 5yo



**Quilt drawing
 Silent auction items**



West Union Lutheran

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Cologne, MN 55322

952-466-5678

www.westunionlutheran.org

GATHERED, GROUNDED, GROWING & GIVING IN JESUS NAME

**Worship w/ Chuck Thiel &
 the Jolly Ramblers Polka Band**



2019 Carver Lions Annual

Easter Egg Hunt

Hey Kids Ages 1-10
Join us!

Saturday, April 20, 2019
10 a.m. Community Park
(6th St and County Road 11)
in Carver

Please be on time. NO PETS!
Please dress for the weather!



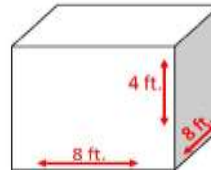
Bring a bag or basket
for your Easter eggs!



CLEAN UP DAY

MAY 18, 2019 - 7:00 A.M.

Curbside collection will be provided for items
placed at the curb in an area no more than
8 feet wide by 8 feet long by 4 feet high.



ACCEPTED MATERIALS INCLUDE:

- Regular Household Trash
- Kids Toys, Household Items, and so on
- Furniture (disassembled)
- Carpet/Carpet Pads (rolled securely)
- Mattresses and Box Springs
- Miscellaneous Construction Materials



MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED INCLUDE:

- Appliances (washers, dryers, water heaters, a/c, ranges, refrigerators, and so on)
- Electronics (phones, computers, televisions, and so on)
- Hazardous Materials (paint, batteries, oil, tires, bulbs, and so on)
- Concrete, Bricks, and Shingles
- Brush, Leaves, Grass, and any other organic material
- Items outside of the 8 ft. x 8 ft. x 4 ft. maximum collection area
- The City of Carver and its Contractor have the right to refuse hauling any materials based on safety concerns or hazardous waste regulations.

Call 952-448-5353 or visit www.cityofcarver.com for more information.



Organic material, appliances, electronics, and hazardous materials can be disposed of at:
Carver County Environmental Center, 116 Peavey Road, Chaska, MN
Phone: 952-361-1835



Friday, April 26
Serving 4:00pm - 8:00pm
Sticks Tavern
@ Dahlgreen Golf Course

Carver Lions

Annual Pork Chop Dinner

*Enjoy pork chops, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, vegetable,
baked beans, bread, dessert & beverage.
Bar service available for purchase.*

Tickets:
\$10.00 in advance
\$12.00 at the door
Kids 5 & under eat free!

Call Dean at 952-221-2884 for info.
Ask your local Lions member for tickets.



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SATURDAY, MAY 18TH
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**Rain
-or-
Shine**

If raining - event
will be indoors

Free Family Event



*Night Marauders - Ripple Art Studio and Gallery
- Trespass Again*

"What's the matter Territory?" Lavender strutted up to the flustered racoon who was muttering under his breath.

"She's gone and scheduled an unexpected class." He snorted sharply.

"Who?" Lavender peered into the dark window cautiously.

"Mary, the owner." Territory retorted retreating back to the levee sulking. Rascal and Raschevious were just coming up the levee as Territory approached grumbling under his breath.

"What's up Lavender?" Rascal asked quizzingly looking sideways at Territory who was in one of his rare foul moods.

Territory marched right past them all still grumbling to himself in disgust.

"Unexpected preoccupation inside the studio."

"Ahhh." Rascal now understood their rendezvous was postponed which was one of Territory's pet peeves.

"It happens." Raschevious quipped bolting after Territory.

When the group arrived the next night at the studio which was built somewhere around 1866 to 1868 and stood strident displaying its brick both internally and externally. The interior dimly lit by the few small reflections bouncing off of the lenses of the bulbs and shades inside the studio and a small lit lamp further back in the rear of the studio accentuating the bricks. Rascal was admiring some of the paintings hanging on the brick wall awestruck by their beauty, tugging at his emotions. Raschevious scampered off to examine the supplies laying out. Territory was still in the middle of the room taking the whole panorama in. Lavender was stationed out front, out of sight as the street light luminated brightly on the sidewalk which would have exposed her to the patrons in and out of the bar across the street. Quietly and stealthily the intruders checked out the interior of the studio.

"Oh oh." Rascal gasped suddenly and froze in place."

"What?" Raschevious came from the other room and also froze in place instantly.

Territory had also stopped dead in his tracks as they all realized that humans were staring inside with their faces plastered solidly up against the large mullioned windows peering inside but unable to see anything except shadowy silhouettes.

"Where's Lavender?" Territory whispered in panic counting about six pair of eyes desperately squinting seeing nothing.

"No one move." Rascal squealed nervously and as quietly as he possibly could.

Then the air was permeated with Lavender's perfume and screams from the intruders outside as the warning signal was almost too late. The three inside skedaddled out the same way they got in heading for the levee unseen.

They stood in awe on top of the levee as Lavender proudly strutted, sauntering her way towards them extremely pleased with herself.

The group assaulted by her spraying were still holding their noses, complaining loudly, moving away from the area yelling after the skunk in retaliation for their misfortune of crossing paths with her.

"That'll teach 'em." She emanated in pride at her abilities.

Mary arrived in the morning delaying entering, peering around suspiciously from the recesses of the entry trying to decipher what exactly was awry. She unlocked the door and entered to the still lingering perfume of Lavender's jettisoned mist from the previous evening still pungent inside the studio. She immediately set to inspecting every nook and cranny for intruders or any signs of disturbances. There were no signs to be found of any intruders within, except she was almost certain her brushes, paints, chalk and canvasses had been moved, if not at least tampered with. She found nothing to her avail.

"How's it coming?" Rascal interrupted as he always did.
"Not well" Territory responded dismally.
"Do we need to return to finish?" He asked.
"Wouldn't help." He tapped his pen on the blank page.
"Would the fact that originally it was the Danny Hammerlund Hardware Store help?"
Territory pondered over the thought for a moment and then shook his head, "No."
answering dejected.
Territory agonized over the words that would capture the studios essence. He could feel it, he just was finding it extremely difficult to articulate.

Quietly pondering out of sight of anyone, but the studio visible he finally penned what was circulating in his subconscious and the essence of the source:

"Creativity, imagination, art all go hand in hand. There are many different forms of art. Most artist are in a class all of their very own. They see the world through totally different eyes than the average human. Without flaring the defense mode, most artist are considered moodier than most. It is only because their brain waves are equipped with different kinds of creative threads throughout their being. Their core being is deemed to dance to a different tune than non-artists. It is not meant to demean, criticize nor stereotype anyone. Only an attempt to get inside the emotional state of their creativity to accept, expand and understand their intensity to create their visual portrayal of raw emotions designed to project beauty, pain, love, hate, confusion etc.

Ripple Art Studio and Gallery is serious about teaching, sharing, making and leaving that distinct footprint in the world not only in the realm of Carver but with every capacity of herself in her journey intersecting with each and every path she crosses with or through and with whom her life touches. Her goal is to make a difference for others and her own self. She possesses a love for art and humbled to be able to educate others who are interested enough and possess the ability, desire to learn about art, its history, its beauty, its impact to create, the passion to seek the depths of art and the ability to paint, draw and generate or produce that product of their locked away perceptions to share with others. The desire, enthusiasm passion and willingness to achieve these expressions onto whatever platform of canvas is a requirement.

Ripple Art is a working studio and as she so eloquently put it, "I create using multiple mediums, including but not limited to mosaic, acrylic, pen and ink, wire and bead and sculpture." In her studio you will not only find purchase availability, or just viewing, but the ability to learn how to create your own vision. Promotion of local artists. The studio affords the luxury to share and exploit the ability to draw in more unsuspecting novices unaware of the gems hidden in the historical village of downtown Carver. *"The Ripple Effect – a single action causes a continual series of actions and events"* is Ripple Art Studio and Gallery's motto. The studio is at 208 Broadway, Carver, MN."

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