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Eagle: "As an eagle birth month bird, you are supremely confident. Your listening skills are second to none. Total stranger will often find themselves telling their life story to you. Highly trustworthy, you will keep your sensitive information a complete secret. You are also able to offer patient, heartfelt advice to lift spirits or nudge others in the right direction."

"Though you go through periods of self-doubt you have a strong heart and a brilliant mind. You don't need to put down others to feel good about yourself, and you don't try to be anything but yourself. If other people can't deal with you...then that's their problem because you always try to live your truth"

*Mt Hope Road*

The city engineer had been requested to conduct a review of the Mt Hope Road from downtown to Spring Creek Drive. Results were requested regarding the paring restrictions, street widths and parking restrictions based on widths, as well as applicable codes and engineering standards. Resident inquiries had been received. The engineer reported that there are two different street width typical sections. The section reviewed have concrete curb and gutter. There are not currently any 'no parking' signs installed in the section discussed. Skyview Lane intersection to Spring Creek Drive were also reviewed. The MN State Fire Code in the past has been referenced as guideline to establish parking restrictions related to street widths. Streets twenty feet to twenty-six feet wide shall post Fire Lane signs on both sides of the street. Widths greater shall post Fire Lane signs on one side of the street. Based on this information recommendations were proposed modifying parking on Mt Hope Road. Along the segment from downtown to Skyview Lane, "No Parking" signs be installed on both sides of the street. From Skyview Lane to Spring Creek Drive installation of "No Parking" signs on one side of the street will be installed. The stated actions are to be confirmed with the Public Services Director and the Fire Marshall prior to implementation.

The council discussed the Mt Hope on-street parking restrictions at their work session. A revised exhibit had been drafted and would be forwarded to adjacent property owners, along with an invitation to provide feedback.

*Fire Relief Pension*

The city manager discussed with the council the Fire Relief Pension Contribution. The issue required approval from the council to increase the Carver Fire Relief Association's pension contribution per year of service. The city manager further explained that the under state law a Fire Relief Association is a nonprofit corporation, separate from the city, with authority to provide pension, disability, and death benefits to members through special funds ( restricted ) and to engage in other activities and spend monies out of their general funds ( non-restricted ) that the corporation's by-laws permit. A member of the Fire Relief Association can earn a year of service by meeting annual training and call response requirements of the Fire Department. The city manager reviewed the pension contributions years of active service vested percentages.

The CPA Firm and Accounting Consultants for the city performed a "Benefits Projections" analysis as part of the proposed increase to the pension contribution. The proposed increase would take the one hundred percent vested number to the amount requested. The pension is funded through annual city and state contributions. The funds are managed by a private investment firm hired by the association and audited annually. The 2019 Budget has allocated necessary funds for the increase presented.

*2019 Compensation Study*

The city manager reported to the council information relating to the 2019 Compensation Study conducted regarding full-time employment positions for the City of Carver. A market study had been performed in 2013 resulting in the creation of a formal Compensation Program. This program was developed utilizing identification system for pay grade based on job duties, experience and education relating to specific positions. Minimum and maximum pay had been established. The market study of peer cities provides a comparative analysis of the pay range for position, not individual assessment of existing employee pay. The report by Springsted demonstrated that the city's pay range is below similar pay ranges established by peer cities. The report further forecasted a two percent increase to consumer price index by year end. The report recommended that the two indicators result in the consideration of an adjustment to the city's pay range. The recommendation excluded union employees. Considerations for increases should be incorporated into the annual budget process. Also, future pay range adjustments should be reviewed annually. It was also recommended that the step system be eliminated for all exempt positions in favor of an open range pay stems that would combine an annual adjustment to the pay range with a singular base salary adjustment.

Effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, modify the pay grade for the building officiation and the Utility Billing Clerk as they are contingent upon an approved budget amendment.

*Recreation Partnership*

The city manager reviewed with the council the discussion held at the work session regarding the Recreation Partnership with the City of Chaska. Two requests were submitted following the presentation. One request involved that the City of Chaska provide "resident rates" charges should the city wish to pursue only this service. And a survey be prepared to determine general levels of satisfaction with the partnership. Sample questions were presented for consideration responses dependent upon very much agree or disagree, simple agree or disagree to undecided. The questions to be surveyed involved value in partnership for residential rates at the Chaska Community Center, Town Course and Curling Center; value in community events put on in the City of Carver, community events organized that currently are not being offered, location preferences to attend program offerings, and what programs would you register for, if offered. This survey would be facilitated through an on line tool and advertised through the city's normal media channels.

The City of Chaska Administrator, Parks and Recreation Director and Manager were all also present at the meeting to answer any questions. Statistical information would be gathered on offerings and research will be done on options for a new agreement along with pursuing a resident survey. The topic will be discussed again in the future.

## *Construction Hours*

The city planner discussed with the council information relating to construction hours established by an ordinance.

Currently, the city does not have specific hours set by an ordinance. The hours of construction activity have been decided at a pre-construction meeting of a project with the developers. The proposed ordinance allowed the city, developers and community to have established expectations of construction activity occurring. A public hearing is required for setting construction hours by ordinance and would be advertised in the Chaska Herald.

The city planner discussed with the council information relating to the proposed ordinance to set specific construction hours. This ordinance provides everyone standard expectations for construction activity. The city council held a Public Hearing on the topic. The ordinance would also encompass reroofing and other smaller projects, along with new construction. Concern was expressed prohibiting exterior work on Sundays and legal holidays resulting in a discussion for alternate options. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting ordinance setting construction hours from 8 AM to 7 PM. The city attorney pointed out that an adopted ordinance must include specific language. Changing the hours could be done from a different platform but language about deliveries should be considered as to the implication of regulating said and affect to Fleet Farm and Casey's.

## *Future Water Treatment*

The city engineer discussed future water treatment and supply issues with the council at a work session. Some background was provided. Future steps include site evaluation, land acquisition, facility design, phasing considerations and implementation refinements. Last is the funding evaluation including a financial analysis.

## *Alley Vacation*

The city planner reviewed information regarding the down-town alley vacation issue. Question was asked about resident feedback. Response given that some inquiries were made for clarification. The city held a Public Hearing on the topic. Representative on behalf of the Trinity Lutheran Church inquired about whether or not a survey would be completed. It was stated that the engineer would be drawing up paperwork for new property lines. Additional disputes about property would be between property owners. Another question asked about moving a fence line. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting resolutions vacating stated alleys in the downtown.

## *Meridian Fields*

The city planner reviewed information pertaining to drainage and utility easement vacation in Meridian Fields. The city council held a Public Hearing on the issue. There were not any public comments. Councilmember asked for clarification regarding drainage and utility issues and if these would be resolved in Phase II. The city planner indicated that they were resolved. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting resolution vacating drainage and utility easements for Meridian Fields.

The city planner presented the Final Plat for Meridian Fields for review by the council. The mayor inquired about lot sizes. The city planner clarified that some lots were larger than others and some portions are for conservation. The areas will be marked accordingly. Questions were asked about the building materials. The building materials meet noise study requirements. Councilmember inquired about the conservation buffer lots. They will be managed by the Carver County Water Management and there will not be any construction in those areas. Motion was made and carried with all ayes approving the resolution for the Final Plat for Meridian Fields Phase.

Meridian Fields will be constructing turn lanes at Spring Creek Drive on Jonathan Carver Parkway mid-June; however, the road will remain open during the construction.

"Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter, and those who matter don't mind."

— Bernard M. Baruch

## *Meadows at Spring Creek*

A Public Hearing was also held by the city council regarding the same issue of drainage and utility easement vacation for Meadows at Spring Creek. There were not any public comments. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting resolution vacating the drainage and utility easements for Meadows at Spring Creek. The city planner presented information for the Final Plat for Meadows at Spring Creek. The mayor inquired about Mulberry Lane as it appeared a homeowner had a landlock issue. The city planner responded that the issue will be resolved with this final plat. Councilmember inquired about a triangular piece asking if it was governed by the township or the City of Chaska. That particular property was in Chaska. Motion was made and carried with all ayes approving the resolution for the Final Plat for Vincent Bluffs of Carver for the Meadows at Spring Creek Phase II.

## *Miscellaneous*

Report was given to the council from the Carver Business Alliance meeting regarding the local businesses supporting the notion of food trucks in the downtown area.

Lakeview Industries had their groundbreaking event.

Riverside Park had been flooded again. There were washouts that are being evaluated.

Question was asked if the downtown alley topic was part of the 2019 Street Project and concern the work would overlap with Steamboat Days. The city manager interjected avoidance that affect the event. The city engineer is mindful of the dates and will be meeting with the contractor. The project is scheduled to begin in May or June.

Report was given about the Planning Commission meeting. The Carver County Water Management representative gave an interesting presentation. The Commission members discussed the United Properties proposal and the gas/convenience store. The Song property was highly received and the Hawthorne Ridge had unanimous favoring by the board members.

The mayor reported that the Chaska Herald's report Nick Mason has passed away. The city extended their condolences to the family.

New levee drawings are available for review on the city's website.

The council was updated on the Strategic Plan at their work session.

The council was told that the Legislature made some changes to the Local Government Aid. The amounts received in the past and the amounts expected for the upcoming year were discussed.

The city manager also relayed to the council the topic regarding a budget amendment forthcoming for consideration regarding two pay grade adjustments and adjustments to allocations for SouthWest Prime.

He also informed the council of some changes to the Special Capital Fund and the Street Repair Fund based on feedback from the auditors.

## *Race Equity Model*

The council was told that the District # 112 Community Leaders group is comprised of leaders from Chaska, Carver, Chanhassen and Victoria, and the Chaska Police Department, as well as the Carver County Sheriff's Office. This group held a meeting discussing race, equity, diversity and racism in the school district. The mayor and the city manager have been attending several meetings regarding the topic. Discussions are being held on how the City of Carver can help addressing these issues.

The city manager stated that the League of MN Cities has built a Race Equity Model to share with interested cities. He also noted that this is an issue that will come to you, if you don't go to it. There are opportunities to get equity training to help facilitate conversation.

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## *Carver Commons*

The city planner reviewed information relating to the Carver Commons pertaining to the Preliminary and Final Plat and Rezoning issues. Council action was necessary for the resolution relating to the Preliminary Plat for Carver Commons, approve the ordinance rezoning the property and the resolution approving the Final Plat. Carver Investment and United Properties have owned the property in the southwest corner of Jonathan Carver Parkway and Highway # 212 since 2006. The parcel has been designated for commercial development since the 2008 Comprehensive Plan and has remained consistent through the planning process. It is anticipated that in the future it will fully develop with commercial users, however at this time, the request is to create a lot that could develop. When the end user submits an application, the city will review the traffic impact study submitted for the concept gas convenience user. This traffic impact study identified the necessity for a signal at Jonathan Carver Parkway and Monroe Drive to be constructed in tandem with the gas/convenience user. An end user will carry through the plan set showing the proposed construction of the site. Both, the Planning Commission and City Council review of the Preliminary Plat and Final Plat.

The council is presented with the request to review both the Preliminary and Final plat simultaneously. The request creates a legal lot to be constructed at a later date and does not contemplate an end user. Due to the request for splitting off a lot for future development, this simultaneous request is an option because no changes are anticipated between the two documents. Carver Commons requests rezoning to Commercial with a Planned Commercial Development overlay.

Motion was made and carried with all ayes approving the resolution for the Preliminary Plat for Carver Commons. Motion was made and carried with all ayes approving the ordinance for rezoning the property identified as Carver Commons. Motion was made and carried approving the Final Plat for Carver Commons.

## *Hawthorne Ridge*

The city planner discussed with the council the approval of the resolution for the Final Plat for Hawthorne Ridge. DR Horton applied for the Final Plat. This includes eighty-one lots; single family home lots and one tot lot. The proposed Final Plat is consistent with the Preliminary Plat and Rezoning that was reviewed.

At the council meeting the council discussed the presentation from the city planner for Hawthorne Ridge. The city attorney advised the council of a boundary line issue affecting on property. The developer would be creating an outlot and deeding it to the property owner. Advisement was given to have council member recuse from discussion and vote on this issue since it involved them. Question was asked about a Homeowners Association and the response was that the development would have one. Discussion was held regarding ungraded areas in some lots and would be steep. Question was asked if these areas would be able to be mowed. Several lots would have steep areas. Some lots will have fully manicured lawns and others will have significant drop-offs into the bluff zone. The backyards in the bluff areas will be untouched during construction. Backyards with steeper slopes will be seeded and all open soils stabilized. All lots will be structured to accommodate a deck. The purchase agreements will disclose bluff setback requirements on a number of the lots. The city would be responsible for proposed trail maintenance. Notation was clarified that the trail would be a natural trail with woodchips and not maintained in the winter. The homes will have three-stall garages. The wetland on the south side would be city owned and there is no conservation easement in that area. The tot lot would be owned by the association. Motion was made and carried with all ayes and one recusal approving the Final Plat for Hawthorne Ridge.

## *Commerce Drive*

The city manager discussed the consideration of issuance of bonds for the 2019 Infrastructure Project, Commerce Drive and the equipment certificate. He explained that there was a financial benefit when combining multiple project on one bond issuance. Question was asked of the council if there was interest in including the costs for the well construction on the same bonds. Bond issuance was to be discussed.

## *Song Property*

The city planner reviewed the Song Property Concept that did not require any action but feedback was needed to be given to the developer. Summergate Companies supplied an application for a concept plan for the review for the Song property. The proposal is located west of the Carver Elementary School and the Copper Hills neighborhood. The application contemplates three hundred and six units including a mix of housing types and lot sizes. The concept plan is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and the Orderly Annexation agreement. Discussion at this stage included types of proposed homes, park facilities, street extensions and site layout and design. The proposed concept requires several planning processes and approvals. An environmental assessment worksheet is required because of the impact of the development on both the built and natural environment. Annexation, Preliminary Plat, Rezoning and Final Plat will all be required and follow typical planning processes. The Planning Commission has reviewed the concept plan.

The city planner presented the Concept Plan for the Song Property to the city council. Present at the meeting were Casey Wollschlager from Summergate Development and Cory Meyer for Westwood Professional Services to answer questions.

The mayor expressed her opinion of disapproval regarding the two circular driveways on Monroe Drive as it is a collector street. She also expressed it was important to meet the density requirements with the Metropolitan Council. Question was asked about a Home Owner's Association with the response that that topic had not been determined at this point. Question was asked about the preserved open space/park would be identified as park dedication. The city planter stated that a park was not dedicated for this area and fees in lieu of a park would be accepted by the city. The area could fall within an outlot maintained by the city.

The density requirements were reviewed. Runoff was asked about. The city planner stated that runoff cannot be moved to someone else's property, so there were not any issues foreseen. High volumes of traffic were talked about. The city engineer prompted that transportation plans and individual traffic studies are designed to prevent those types of issues. Monroe Drive was constructed to be utilized as a collector street for that exact reason in mind. These issues are revisited with each development planned; thus, a traffic study will be conducted for this proposal as well.

Concerns regarding parking with the addition of a soccer field at Ironwood Park, additional traffic and the development were also expressed. Assurance of walkability, handling of traffic, and driveways on Ironwood be minimized were all expressed. Further statement was made that the north/south roads, such as Fulton would also become a collector. The city planner stated that a connection would also be available to Dahlgren Road through Oak Tree Third currently ghost platted. Remark was also voiced requesting the city explore the option of a trail around Timber Creek. Question was asked regarding the status in the process with the Wegner property. The city planner responded that the development only is for the Song property. The concept for the Wegner property was only visible as a suggest of possibilities the Summergate representative stated for clarification.

Question was asked whether the three-estate property would be national builders or open market. Summergate representative stated that they are laid out to display private driveways without any municipal utilities. The city planner stated that the city would not approve lots without municipal utilities. Westwood commented that the three estates show where the home currently sits with a dead-end cul-de-sac with topography challenges. These three lots shown may be the best developed for these lots, but the focus for them is on the Song property. Minimal connections and parking were again reiterated. Comment was made that the Park and Ride and school parking lots could also be utilized for parking. Density discussion was discussed further. Council member commented on the project would be on beautiful property. Estate lots for the Wegner property was the concept presented. Parking again for the Song property was addressed. The city manager stated that Ironwood Drive is not wide enough to accommodate parking on both sides.

Question was asked about potential issues with Hammers property. The road would end at the boundary not causing any issues when that property developed. The amount of sizeable wetland in the area is the driving process for the alignment of this project.

## *Parks Commission*

The city planner discussed the roles and responsibilities for Parks Commission board members. An overview was reviewed with the focus shifting from a park's maintenance group to a planning group.

Next the members discussed the Parks Master Plan and work that had been completed to date with city staff and consultants. A meeting with the City Council had been scheduled to talk about restarting the Parks Master Plan.

Members were asked to review the first draft of half of the Parks Master Plan. The next steps for the plan will be discussed. It is a working document at this point in time.

The board discussed the council's initiative for consistent infrastructure throughout the city and request review of sample park signs similar to the sign at the intersection of Levi Griffin Road and Jonathan Carver Parkway and the historic Carver signs throughout the city.

The members also reviewed the topic of the Ironwood Park expansion. The board was told about the application by Summergate Companies and the opportunity for the park expansion with the proposed project. Staff had requested discussion relating to additional amenities that could be included as part of the park expansion.

## *Storm Water*

The city engineer discussed the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program. The city is permitted by the MPCA to discharge storm water to waters of the state under the small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System permit. As part of this permit, it is necessary for the city to develop, implement and enforce a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program which includes six minimum control measures: public outreach and education, public participation and involvement, illicit discharge detection and elimination, construction site stormwater runoff control, post-construction storm water management and pollution prevention and good housekeeping for municipal operations. Public input opportunity must be provided annually. The city has chosen to hold a Public Hearing to provide an overview and the opportunity for resident input.

## *Carver Flowers Recognition*

The city council recognized Annette Hentz of Carver Flowers for her dedication and promotion of the City of Carver. Annette was presented with the key to the City of Carver and thanks.

## *2019 Budget Amendment*

The city manager discussed with the council the necessity for adoption of a resolution amending the 2019 budget. He further explained that the General Fund anticipated potential building permit revenue for two projects in 2018 that would not be done in 2019. The result proposes increased permit revenues and elimination for Special Capital Fund transfer in 2019. The city approved funding SouthWest Prime service via a general fund and based on usage there are sufficient funds to cover costs in 2019. Another factor involves the pay grade adjustments based on justifications provided in the compensation study. The budget amendment also transfers the street maintenance funds allocated within the General Fund to the Street Maintenance Fund ensuring funds will be used exclusively for street maintenance and repair.

## *Roots Return Heritage Farm*

WELCOME! Farm stand is located on Country Road # 40. Accessible parking lot available during the season. We offer fresh, frozen & dried products of the farm. Weekly availability, check their [Facebook](#) page. The farm is getting ready for Strawberries, Raspberries and Red Currants. PLANNED FOR 2019: Strawberries, Raspberries, Elderberries, Red & Black Currants, Blueberries, Cherries, Plums (tentative Apples & Grapes), Garlic, Basil, Squash, Pumpkins, Dried Beans. Dry edible beans, Frozen Produce, Apples, Blackberries, Blueberries, Currants, Elderberries, Garlic, Grapes, Herbs, Plums, Pumpkins, Raspberries (summer bearing), Squash, Strawberries.

Browse, Order Ahead and Pick up is the caption for the website: [www.rrhf.myshopify.com](http://www.rrhf.myshopify.com) where availability listings are posted or visit their Facebook page.



## *Carver Chiropractic Specialists*



Submitted by: Travis Gilbertson, DC  
Welcome to Chiropractic Specialists of Carver located at 4735 Dahlgren Road Suite 100, Carver MN. The office is open for business Monday through Thursday from 9 AM to noon, 2:30 PM to 6:30 PM. Friday's hours are 7:30 AM to 12 PM and 2 PM to 5 PM. Appointments also available on Saturdays. The office phone number is: 952.594.5955.  
Their website is: [carverchiropracticsspecialists.com](http://carverchiropracticsspecialists.com)

We want everyone to know that our clinic is based on the philosophy of helping people live better, healthier lives with less pain and more movement without the aid of drugs and surgery. Our treatment plans strive to meet the varied individual needs of our patients and provide the top quality care they deserve. Our clinic is in-network with most major insurance carriers and we take time to help our patients understand how their personal insurance coverage aids their care. We are proud to be Carver's first chiropractic clinic serving the growing community of Carver and the surrounding southwest metro!

The clinic is beginning to reach out to local business to offer on-site chiropractic care, chair massages, and team stretching opportunities. After a soft opening of about one month, we are getting a great response from local patients and have even started attracting attention from Belle Plaine and Chaska residents! Our website allows online scheduling for new patients, but they can call or e-mail to setup an appointment. Also, our number can receive text messages for those that prefer to text!

Congratulations and welcome to Carver!

## *Farmer's Insurance*



Welcome to Cummins Agency, Gregory Cummins in Carver. He has moved into the former Cup of Carver Building located at 490 Old Carver Road, across from Casey's. Greg invites you to stop in and have a cup of coffee. His website is [www.agents.farmers.com/mn/carver/gregory-cummins](http://www.agents.farmers.com/mn/carver/gregory-cummins). The phone number is: 952.896.3808.

Greg says, "As your local Farmers® agent in Carver, MN, I'm happy to meet with you to listen and provide solutions for your business, home, auto, and life insurance needs. I've been with Farmers® for over eight years and I take pride in providing exceptional customer experience and building strong relationships with my customers. In my free time, I enjoy spending time with my family outdoors. I also look forward to volunteering for youth events with my local church and school."

Welcome and wishing success to your endeavor.

## *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 July 19<sup>th</sup> and August 16<sup>th</sup>.

## *Carver Current*

Familiar with the website [www.carvercurrent.com](http://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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## July Almanac Information

Named to honor Roman dictator Julius Caesar ( 100 BC – 44 BC ). In 46 BC Julius Caesar made one of his greatest contributions to history: With the help of Cosigns, he developed the Julian calendar, the precursor to the Gregorian calendar that we use today.

### Independence Day

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July commemorates the adoption of the Declaration of Independent by delegates from the 13 colonies in 1776. The Declaration of Independence is American's revolutionary Charter of Freedom and the document upon which the nation's founding principles were established.

The Second Continental Congress actually made its decree for freedom on July 2<sup>n</sup>, 1776, signing the Lee Resolution. Two days later, on July 4, Congress formally adopted the Declaration of Independence and the alarm for freedom was sounded at Independence Hall with the Liberty Bell. It was on August 4, 1776, after delegates of the Continental Congress had signed the document, that the Declaration of Independence was made official.

John Adams's famous letters to his wife, Abigail, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July, 1776, capture the spirit of the time. Writing from Philadelphia, he said, "Yesterday the greatest Question was decided, which ever was debated in America, and a greater perhaps, never was or will be decided among Men.

"A Resolution was passed without one dissenting Colony "That these united Colonies, are, and of right out to be free and independent States, and as such, they have, and the Right ought to have full Power to make War, conclude Pease, establish Commerce, and to do all the other Acts and Things, which other States may rightfully do'... I am apt to believe ( this day ) will be celebrated by succeeding generations, as the great anniversary Festival.

"It ought to be commemorated, as the day of deliverance by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp, shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations, from one end of the continent to the other, from this time forward forever."

Let us end this brief history of Independence Day ( US ) with text form the Declaration of Independence: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them, shall seem most likely to affect their Safety and Happiness."

### Famous Last Words

On July 4, 1826, exactly 50 years after the Declaration of Independence first asserted American sovereignty, former presidents John Adams and Thomas Jefferson both passed away. Jefferson desired to live until July 4 so that he might breathe the air of the Fiftieth Anniversary." His last words, spoken the night before his death in the early afternoon of July 4, are traditionally given as some variation of "Is it the Fourth?" Adams died in the early evening hours after Jefferson. According to tradition, Adams uttered the final words, "Thomas Jefferson survives," unaware of the fact that his longtime friend has just passed away.

### Household Helpers

To clean copper bottom pots – use ketchup.

Wrap cheese in parchment or wax paper, then place in an open plastic bag, sore in the refrigerator.

Water your houseplants with club soda that has gone flat. The chemicals that remain in the soda add vigor to the greenery.

To eliminate ink stains from a carpet, soak the stained area with lemon juice.

To remove mud or soot from a rug, sprinkle the stained area with salt. Allow the salt to dry or settle before vacuuming.

To clear a clogged drain, pour ½ cup salt, ½ cup baking soda, and ¼ cup of vinegar down the drain. Close or plug until the fizzing stops, then flush with boiling water.

For no-fuss painting, place a roller pan inside a plastic bag. Then pour paint into the plastic in the pan; the bag acts as a liner. When the job is finished, remove the pan, turning the bag inside out, and discard it.

To make a microwave oven smell fresh, fill a microwavable cup with water and mix 1 tablespoon of lemon juice. Heat the water at full power for 1 minute.

To remove bugs and tar from a car, use a damp cloth to apply a paste made by mixing baking soda with water. Allow the paste to sit for a few minutes before wiping and rinsing the area clean.

To remove crayon marks from painted walls, scrub with a dab of non-gel toothpaste.

To remove chewing gum from clothing, chill it with a piece of ice. The hardened gum can be crumbled and brushed off.

From *The Old Farmer's 2019 Almanac*

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### Carver Shops

Occasional Shop dates for July are the 18<sup>th</sup> through the 21<sup>st</sup> and August dates are the 15<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup>. Many shops open Wednesday through Sunday for your shopping pleasure. Perfect opportunity to find what you didn't know you wanted!

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 General – Occasional Shop Dates

Fourfold Studios – [Website](#)

Mon – Thurs 9 AM – 4 PM

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

Check Facebook

Occasional Shop Sun 10 AM – 4 PM

Strange Birds - [facebook.com/strangebirdsmn/](#) Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM

Sweeter Times – [Facebook](#)

Check Facebook and Website

The Good Junk Garage – [Facebook](#)

204 Studio - photography – [Website](#)

Temperance Arts & Gifts – [Facebook](#)

Also:

Iris Valley/Jordan – [Website](#) and [Facebook](#)

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## Iris Valley

Summer Sale at Iris Valley. You don't want to miss this sale. Kathy said it will be extended as they are readying for fall merchandise. So you really might want to take the time to get over to Jordan on Eldorado Drive for this fantastic sale. She has fantastic, unique items that you didn't even know you needed. Tuesday through Thursday the store is open at 10 AM until 6 PM and on Friday and Saturday at 10 AM until 5 PM. Iris Valley is closed Sunday and Monday. The deals are 25 % off all clothing, 20 % off jewelry and purses and 40 % off sandals. The road to Jordan is open again. So head on over to Iris Valley; located in the Glowing Hearth and Home building just off Highway # 169 behind Radermacher's Fresh Market. You won't regret it.



## Chaska Valley Family Theatre

The Chaska Valley Theatre proudly presents "Bye Bye Birdie". Tickets are available for purchase on line.



Show dates are, July 25<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM, 26<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM, 27<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM and 7 PM, 28<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM and the 31<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM. August show times are 1<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 PM, 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7PM and the 4<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM. Check their website for more details, [www.cvft.org](http://www.cvft.org). Performances will be at the Chaska Community Center.

## Carver Community Youth Baseball / Softball Association



Submitted by: Jane Thon

Carver's CCYBSA games are on the back side. Our T-Ball youths wrapped up their season the end of June with an appreciation Mel and game for all guests. Our Coach Pitch Girls have their year-end bash to be held at Chaska on July 12<sup>th</sup>. Our Coach Pitch Boys who play with the Victoria teams will end their season with an Appreciation Meal and Trophy Presentation on July 25<sup>th</sup>.

Our Baseball grade brackets did change this year. Our main issue was to provide baseball in Carver for our boys past the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade. Hence, we did have some growing pains but we did see some 7<sup>th</sup> Grade boys playing in Carver. Our hope is to see these boys and others to follow and playing for Carver through High School.

We did make a change in the Coach Pitch group that plays against Victoria whose teams are primarily Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade boys and girls. Carver now has both, Boys and Girls in Kindergarten as part of our Coach Pitch Division.

Our next division is the Machine Pitch Division – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade boys ( all divisions are based on the grade they were in school last year ) that play with the Crow River league out of Waconia. Our In-House boys, Grades 4<sup>th</sup> through High School now play with the South Metro League with town teams from around us. This Year Tournaments are the weekend of July 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>.

Our Travel Teams: we have a 13U Boys Metro Travel Team and they have tournaments in July. Our girls Travel group joined Chaska this year with some of the girls playing the Big West League and some girls are playing on the team that is playing with the Crow River League.

In the end Carver is trying to meet the needs of our youth by having many options. Growth is hard the first year and hopefully it pays off when the youth have a place to play that meets their needs. Finally, thanks to all for your support.

## Steamboat Days

SteamBoat Days fast approaching. Watch for information.

Contacts: Kristy Mock and Laura Niesche



"You have your way. I have my way. As for the right way, the correct way, and the only way, it does not exist."

— Friedrich Wilhelm Nietzsche

## District # 112 Summer Highlights

### Summer Meal Program

By Lauren Stovern

Eastern Carver Co. Schools' summer food service program was created to ensure that children could continue to receive nutritious meals during summer vacation, when they do not have access to school breakfast or lunch. The summer food service program is free to all children ages 1-18 and will be provided at Clover Ridge Elementary for six weeks this summer.

Location: Clover Ridge Elementary (114000 Hundertmark Rd, Chaska)

Dates: Monday through Thursdays, June 24 – August 1 (no food July 4)

Times: Breakfast: 8:45-9:00 a.m. / Lunch: 11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Children, ages 1-18, eat free / adults pay \$2.30 for breakfast & \$4.05 for hot lunch

Meals must be eaten on site at Clover Ridge Elementary.

For more information, contact the Nutrition Services Dept. at [Nutrition@district112.org](mailto:Nutrition@district112.org).

### Reminder: Save the Date for Connect & Assess!

by Kendall

This fall, all Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will be invited to meet their new teacher and complete a brief learning assessment during a 30-minute *Connect & Assess* meeting on August 27 or 28. Families will find out the name of your child's teacher in early August. At that time, you will also receive information about how to schedule the *Connect & Assess* appointment for your child(ren) using an online scheduling system. Instructions on how to make an appointment online will be emailed to parents and posted on your school's website in early August.

These *Connect & Assess* meetings will take place on August 27 and 28, and will replace the regular "back-to-school night" activity. Daytime and limited evening appointments will be available.

What is *Connect & Assess*?

Students and their parents/guardians will have the opportunity to connect one-on-one with their child's teacher and meet other school staff. This begins a positive school-home relationship.

Teachers will assess each student to learn about them as a learner/reader to gather some baseline information to begin personalized instruction as soon as the first day of school. These are not tests of ability or intelligence.

Kindergarten students will take early-learning assessments in math and literacy.

Grades 1-5 will complete a benchmark reading assessment to determine a child's instructional literacy level.

Families can drop off school supplies, pay for lunch, and complete or return school forms during this visit.

### Angel Fund

Donations welcome to district Angel Fund

by Lauren Stovern

Eastern Carver Co. Schools' Nutrition Services department maintains an *Angel Fund* that is by funded by donations. The *Angel Fund* is used to assist families in our district that need assistance paying for meals for their children. School administrators help identify how to best allocate the funds that will make a positive difference in the lives of our students and their families. Donations come from individuals, businesses and charitable foundations.

Many families donate the balance left in a student's account when they graduate or leave the district. Every bit helps! Donations can be sent to the Nutrition Services department, Attn: Julie Eklund, 11 Peavey Rd, Chaska, MN 55318. Questions? Contact Julie Eklund in Nutrition Services at [EklundJ@district112.org](mailto:EklundJ@district112.org), or call 952-556-6152.

"The most important kind of freedom is to be what you really are. You trade in your reality for a role. You trade in your sense for an act. You give up your ability to feel, and in exchange, put on a mask. There can't be any large-scale revolution until there's a personal revolution, on an individual level.

It's got to happen inside first."

Jim MORRISON





## South West Metro Chamber of Commerce

July 3<sup>rd</sup> Business Expo

Come to the City Center Park in Chanhasen and Help jump start the 4th of July Celebration with the annual SouthWest Metro Chamber of Commerce Business Expo! The July 3<sup>rd</sup> Business Expo is a great way to get the word out about your business. This annual celebration is a year-round topic of conversation in the community and is renowned throughout the state. For the past 20 plus years, the July 3<sup>rd</sup> Business Expo signaled the beginning of the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration in Chanhasen. Booth space is available and your participation will help you reach hundreds of Chanhasen area residents. Expo is under a large tent and 8-foot table and 2 chairs provided for vendors who register for a booth! Free Admission and that's Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> in Chanhasen at City Center Park starting at 4:30 PM until 7 PM. For more information, visit their website [www.swmetrochamber.com](http://www.swmetrochamber.com).

Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, Carver's Meet and Greet will be held at Mills Fleet Farm. Stop by Carver the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 8-9am for community, camaraderie and coffee!

Annual Boat Cruise on Lake Minnetonka hosted by the Southwest Metro Chamber on Thursday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, at 3:30 PM at Paradise Charter Cruise on 2 Water Street in Excelsior. The hosted annual event is the perfect opportunity for networking. Join in for a cruise on Lake Minnetonka and enjoy some informal networking with fellow members, Appetizers and cash bar will be provided. The agenda is registration at 3:30 PM, Departure at 4 PM and at 6 PM back at the docks.

Business After Hours with the Chaska Cubs was rescheduled to July 23. The fun starts at 6 PM until 9 PM. You are invited to join Southwest Metro Chamber of Commerce to connect with area business leaders. Plus, if you have never experienced a Cubs game, well this is your perfect opportunity as Chaska hosts Northfield at the Athletic Park. First pitch will be at 7:30 PM. Admission fee is \$ 10 and with that you get your ticket, hot dog, popcorn and soda. Beer and other food items are available for purchase too.

## Carver Black Sox

Carver's first time hosting Region 7c Tournament.

Submitted by: Tim Campbell

The Black Sox season is well underway and the boys find themselves in a tough divisional battle in the Crow River Valley League South Division. With the season getting towards the halfway point, the Sox will continue to battle for position to get themselves qualified for the Region 7C tournament that we will be hosting!

Lots of work and planning continues for the Region 7C tournament. There will be live music at the ballpark on Saturday August 3 starting after the last game completes around 6pm. We have secured the band Wondercure and they will play for 2-3 hours and surely put on a great show! We invite all in the Carver community to come out to enjoy. The youth baseball and softball association will be pitching in to make this a great event. We will have youth teams shagging balls, singing Take Me Out To The Ballgame, and taking in the games. The Chaska Legion will be sending some veterans to provide a color guard before the championship on Sunday August 11. Many more surprises to come and we invite all to come out and catch some great baseball August 3 & 4, and August 10 & 11.

Ballpark improvements are continuing as well. We have installed a new public address system at the ballpark and are putting the finishing touches on the press box above the first base dugout. All of these improvements will be used by Carver and Chaska baseball for generations to come!

Check their website [www.Carverblacksox.com](http://www.Carverblacksox.com) for game information of where, when, and who is playing.

"I think the reward for conformity is that everyone likes you except yourself."

— Rita Mae Brown



## Carver Lions

"Do you want to do great things? Do you like helping others? Is your community important to you? Do you want to help for the greater good? If you answered yes to any of these questions, consider joining the Carver Lions Club! That's all we do, and we do it well."

As usual, the Carver Lions are busy throughout the community with community projects, giving back and helping out in all kinds of projects. There is the Black Sox tournament coming up and getting ready. You can put your money in the bank that the Lions are not far from this project helping. Then there's the Youth Exchange Program at the end of July. You know they are involved. Steamboat days is right around the corner. There's Lions involved everywhere with that event. So, if you want to be part of this great community efforts, join the Carver Lions at one of their meetings. During the summer they meet once a month. July's meeting is Wednesday the 17<sup>th</sup>, weather permitting will be held at Lions Park. August's meeting will be on Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup> at Lion's Park. Weather doesn't cooperate, their back-up is the Church-by-the-River.

## July Recap

Approaching fast is July and clearly survived June? The speed of events intensifies since almost every weekend there is some festivity occurring locally this month. The month is kicked off with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Everyone has their own allegiance of where to celebrate and plenty of localities have their own celebrations.

Let's not forget about all the baseball and softball games and varying team games all taking place in the area, as well. Kid's entertainment series continue over in Chaska, summer concerts are still playing, classic car shows, farmer's markets all occurring mid-week. Don't forget on July 18<sup>th</sup> in downtown Carver, the Peace in the Park event. The Lions Youth Exchange picnic. Not to mention the weekend celebrations, the Canterbury Summer Jam, BBQ Days, Fire and Ice Bonspiel, Penny Carnival, River City Days, Glad Days over in Cologne, theatre presentations and closing the July month is the Scott County Fair.

If you are interested, check out SouthWest Transit for their summer adventures trips every Tuesday through August. Check out their website for more information, [www.swtransit.org](http://www.swtransit.org).

## St Nicholas Catholic Church

New Mass time as of July 1 are as follows:

Saturdays, 4:00 PM

Sundays, 9:15 AM

\*All Masses are in English, as of June 23 the Spanish Mass has been moved to the 12:00 PM Sunday Mass at Guardian Angels in Chaska.

Join St. Nicholas for Bingo at River City Days on Saturday, July 27.

St. Nicholas continues to prepare for the Fall Festival which coincides with the Carver Steamboat Day's Festival. It's also a chance to celebrate St. Nicholas' 150th Anniversary, they're proud to be the "Church on the Hill" for the past 150 years!

Check [www.stnicholascarver.org](http://www.stnicholascarver.org) for ongoing updates.

## Farmers Markets

Remember, Shakopee's Farmers Market is open every Sunday through September 29<sup>th</sup> in downtown Shakopee from 9 AM until 2 PM on Lewis Street at the parking lot plaza.

Then the Downtown Chaska Farmers Markets is being held at the City Hall Plaza and parking lot area every Wednesday, open at 3 PM until 7 PM will be full of fun and good homegrown food to share until September 11<sup>th</sup>. Also, remember there is no Farmer's Market on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The Carver County Government Center Farmers Market begins July 10<sup>th</sup> and will be going through September 11<sup>th</sup> at the Government Center parking lot. The times are 10 AM to 1 PM.

"Always be a first rate version of yourself and not a second rate version of someone else."

— Judy Garland



## Community Calendar Highlights August 2019

- August 2<sup>nd</sup> Scott Carver Threshers Old-Time Harvest  
Happy Anniversary Lindsey and Gordon!  
Happy Anniversary Keith and Amanda!
- August 3<sup>rd</sup> Carver Black Sox begin Hosting Region 7c  
Tournament  
Happy Birthday Willie!  
Happy Birthday Barb!
- August 4<sup>th</sup> Happy Birthday Scott!
- August 5<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting  
Happy Birthday Sid!
- August 7<sup>th</sup> Carver County Fair Begins  
Happy Anniversary Tim and Peggy!
- August 8<sup>th</sup> Happy Birthday Luann
- August 11<sup>th</sup> Happy Anniversary Andrea and Darren!  
Happy Anniversary Missy and Rob!
- August 12<sup>th</sup> Parks Commission Meeting  
Dahlgren Township Board Meeting  
Happy Birthday Bonnie!
- August 13<sup>th</sup> Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting  
Meet and Greet  
Carver-on-the-MN Meeting  
Happy Birthday Russell!
- August 14<sup>th</sup> Planning Commission Meeting
- August 15<sup>th</sup> Shops of Carver Occasional Shop weekend
- August 16<sup>th</sup> Carver Business Alliance Meeting  
Happy Birthday Michelle!
- August 19<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting  
School Board Meeting  
Happy Birthday Haley!  
Happy Birthday Sarah!
- August 20<sup>th</sup> Happy Birthday Jack!
- August 21<sup>st</sup> Lions Meeting
- August 22<sup>nd</sup> State Fair Begins  
Happy Anniversary Vicki and Mark!
- August 24<sup>th</sup> Happy Birthday Kari!
- August 27<sup>th</sup> Happy Birthday Jerry!  
Happy Birthday Ben!
- August 29<sup>th</sup> Happy Birthday Jaqi!



## August Recap

Spinning right into the month of August we start the month on Thursday, August 1<sup>st</sup> in Chanhassen with their concert, Chaska Valley Family Theatre performs Bye, Bye Birdie through Sunday, the 4<sup>th</sup>. August 2<sup>nd</sup>, Friday, Chaska has their concert in the park. On Saturday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> the Scott Carver Threshers Annual Old Time Harvest Steam and Gas Engine Festival will kick off their weekend. ([www.scottcarverthreshers.org](http://www.scottcarverthreshers.org)) Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, The Carver Black Sox host the 2019 Region 7 C Baseball Tournament! On Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> the Fireman's Series continue. It's also National Night Out, the same day. Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup> is the Fireman's Concert and the Victoria Classic Car event. The Carver County Fair also kicks off their week of events through Sunday, the 11<sup>th</sup>. Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> over in Chaska is the Flags and Honor of MN while the Carver Black Sox continue their Tournament. Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> is the last event for Recreation on Wheels. On Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, is the wrap up for the Fireman's Park Concert series. On Thursday, August 15<sup>th</sup> Chaska is holding their 'Touch a Truck' event. Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup> the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community will be holding their 'Celebration of Life' Wacipiipi. Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup> the 49<sup>th</sup> Renaissance Festival begins its activities. Dahlgren Township will be holding their 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual picnic for residents. Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup> is the last concert for the Kids Entertainment Concert Series. Wednesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> Victoria will host its last Classic Car Event. At the Chaska Fireman's Park will be Star Light Movie event. Summer is winding down when the MN State Fair begins. The finale for summer locally is the Stifungfest celebration in Norwood/Young America starting on Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> and ends on August 25<sup>th</sup>. The MN State Fair opens their gates in August, The Great MN Get Together opens on Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

"To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson

## Carver Black Sox

Don't miss the Carver's hosting of the Black Sox Tournament on 8/3 and 8/4 and 8/10 and 8/11 at the Community Park. It's all the talk of the town!



## Scott Carver Threshers Old-Time

### Harvest

A local favorite event involving the Scott Carver Threshers who will be presenting their 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Old-Time Harvest featuring Allis Chalmers and Fairbanks Morse at their annual show. The show begins Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> through Sunday, the 4<sup>th</sup>. Gates open at 7 AM daily. Come and see what this all-volunteer, non-profit organization does. They are dedicated to preserving the past agricultural and industrial history for the present and future generations.

They offer live music and entertainment, demonstrations, site attractions, daily and special events. There will be a pedal tractor pull, antique tractor pull and machinery demonstrations. You can come and enjoy a Pancake Breakfast served from 7 AM to 11 AM, Saturday you can enjoy a Beef and Turkey Commercial at 11 AM until 5 PM. Also on Saturday at 5 PM until 7 PM is their Pork Chop Dinner. For more information and details, visit their Facebook page or their website, [www.scottcarverthreshers.org](http://www.scottcarverthreshers.org).



## 2019 Volksfest

The Victoria Business Association and Arts Consortium of Carver County invite you to come join the fun in Victoria on Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> to enjoy two fabulous art events along the Steiger Lake scenic shore in downtown Victoria.

" Bonjour! Bienvenue!

The Arts Consortium of Carver County invites to their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Victoria Fine Art Fair! This year we have a French Flair complete with French Wine, Food and of course the Eiffel Tower. Our French themed Art Fair is held in conjunction with the German Volksfest in Victoria, bringing us together like the Rhine River! Enjoy music, sample fine French wines, French food and pastries and explore the fine art for sale in this lovely lakeside setting in Victoria. Nearby cafes and restaurants will be open as well as specialty food trucks. Guests will walk along the park overlooking scenic Steiger Lake and shop for the unique treasures, gifts and displays of fine art.

We will have pottery, leather goods, jewelry, oil paintings, and more!

Victoria is home to the Arts Consortium's Arts Center in the Notermann Building under Ruby's Roost and Winnie Lu. Come see us at the Arts Center during the Victoria Fine Art Fair!"

The Charlson Thun Community Bandstand is a perfect backdrop for concerts and the art fair will be in Bayfront Park with live music at the bandstand. Music will start at 10 AM until 12 PM with Holly and Matt and then from 1 PM until 3 PM Monroe Crossing, internationally renowned will be playing. Entertainment will continue at 6 PM until 7:30 with Howe's, Butchart and Scott closing the evening out at 8 PM until 11 PM with Jason Paulson Band.

## Outdoor Youth Camps

The City of Carver Outdoor Youth Camps in Carver at the Riverside Park site. The first event is Minecraft: IN Real Life Cam for the ages of 9 through 14 at 10 AM until 3 PM on Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>.

The second event is Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM to 4 PM for kids ages 4 through 8 and a parent. For more information on these two camps and to register, contact 952.448.56 or visit the [chaskacommunitycenter.com](http://chaskacommunitycenter.com).



"I'm not in this world to live up to your expectations and you're not in this world to live up to mine."

— Bruce Lee



## National Night Out

National Night Out is a community-police awareness-raising event held throughout the country, held the first Tuesday of August. The event originated in conjunction with various police organizations nationwide to inform the public about police and community programs. Drug prevention initiatives, town watch organization and even tips on how to burglar proof your home are a few of the educational highlights of a typical Night Out gathering. August 6th National Night Out is its 36th Annual festivities event scheduled in neighborhoods from coast to coast.



## Flags and Honor of MN Car Show

The Flags and Honor of MN Car Show is Chaska's 6th Annual show. Proceeds benefit local veterans and their families. The event will be held on Saturday, August 10th at 10 AM until 2 PM being held at the Chaska City Square Park. Local restaurants are on hand to serve their finest foods and cold beverages. The event is free to spectators!



## Cologne Firehouse Drive-In

Bring your classic car to the Cologne Fire House Drive In for a two-feature movie and fireworks. The Cologne Fire Department Relief Association hosts the event on Friday, August 16th and Saturday the 17th. Watch for movie announcement on their website, [www.firehousedrivein.com](http://www.firehousedrivein.com). There are all kinds of family fun events before the feature begins, bounce houses, fire truck rides, full concessions, playground on site, pony rides, Fire Department training trailer and more. Two nights packed full of fun. Movies begin at dusk. So on Friday, August 16th the double feature planned is Home and Crazy Rich Asians. Or you can come on Saturday, the 17th features are Spiderman Into the Spider - Verse and Stripes.



## 2019 Renaissance Festival

The 49th MN Renaissance Festival is almost ready to open again. Everyone I invited to come and partake in the long-standing tradition on the festival grounds in Shakopee. They are open weekends 9 AM to 7 PM August 17th through September 29th, plus Labor Day and Festival Friday; rain or shine and there is free parking.



Did you know that the festival began its journey in September of 1971 in Jonathan? They relocated in Shakopee and have grown to be the largest festival in the US. Did you also know or remember that Jeff Siegal a past Carver resident played a major role in the event back in the day?

Beginning their themed weekends on the 17th of August is Bold North Vikings Invasion, followed by Highland Fling, Bellies and Beer (new Win and Romance, Pet Fest, Shamrocks Shenanigans, Festival Friday and Oktoberfest completing their season. Some of the daily events are the Feast of Fantasy, Renaissance Romance, Prince and Princess Party Pub Crawl, Pig and Swig, Off the Vine Tasting, Wild for Whiskey, Much Ado About Mead and Bawdy Beer Show, not to forget the artesian demonstrations, skits, wandering vagabonds and food to mention a few. So much to see and too much to mention each detail. An event that should be visited at least once. Be sure to visit their website for more details [www.renaissancefest.com](http://www.renaissancefest.com).

## Third Annual Dahlgren

### Township Picnic

Dahlgren Township residents are invited to their 3rd Annual Dahlgren Township Picnic at Augusta Park on Sunday, August 18th. Meet your neighbors, share a meal, play games and don't forget to bring your favorite for the Dessert Judging Contest!. The event is a Pot Luck so everyone please bring a dish to grill, a side to pass, beverage or any dessert you wish to enter. The township will provide paper plates, napkins, silverware and condiments (mustard and ketchup). Feel free to bring any yard games along to share. Lunch will be served at noon. The Dessert Judging Contest will be held at 1 PM and there will be PRIZES!!!



## SMSC Wacipi

Have you ever experienced a Wacipi (Pow Wow)? Another event one should experience at least once. The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community will be gathering for their annual Pow Wow at the Wacipi Grounds on the SMSC reservation just north of the casino on Friday, August 16th through Sunday the 18th. You can experience the excitement on Friday at 7 PM until 9 PM. Saturday, the dances begin at 1 PM until 7 PM. At 10 PM there are fireworks for your enjoyment. Sunday the event opens at 1 PM.



Wacipi means "they all dance" in the Dakota language. This has always been an important part of our ancestors' ceremonial practices. The Wacipi is a celebration of life where Native Americans gather for cultural and social celebration of dancing, singing and visiting. They meet old friends, make new ones and honor those who have come before them. They assemble, share and reflect, as well as thank the Creator. Originally, these events were held at the end of the season celebrating a good hunt and recognize a positive event. Initially, dancing was part of ceremonial practices telling tribal stories.

Interested in learning more or need more information, visit their Facebook page or website, [www.smscwacipi.org](http://www.smscwacipi.org).

## Minnesota Landscape Arboretum

### Art in the Garden

Researching this article; the conclusion reached is that anyone who knows art then this is the place to be to see for yourself talent at work and see all the artistry ideas. The Art in the Garden event at the MN Landscape Arboretum is back for its seventh year. A unique showcase of art, nature, sweets and treats, nourishment, textiles, ceramics and home décor, arts and crafts, jewelry and photography, not to mention the flowers presented in the garden. "Find a wide variety of art in the "Artist Village" near the Margot Picnic Shelters. A place where visitors and artists mix, mingle, stroll, eat and shop!"



Friday, August 16th from 4 PM to 8 PM is exclusive member preview. Saturday, August 17th from 10 AM to 4 PM you can come and absorb all the talent exhibited. Can't make Saturday, your last chance is on Sunday, August 18th again at 10 AM until 4 PM.

On Saturday, there is live music by Matt Jennings at 11 AM until 2 PM. Sunday's entertainment starts also at 11 AM and ends at 2 PM with Mary DuShane and Nick Jordan, and American Fiddle Music. You can also go to Scarecrow Hill at noon and share Yoga with Yoga Bella. If you get hungry or thirsty, there is a catering food tent. Savory treats and sweets will be provided by Olive on the Top and Kettle Creek Kitchen. Go to the arboretum's website for more information on their musical lineup personalities, [www.arb.umn.edu](http://www.arb.umn.edu).

Also on their website, is an extensive list of varying artists presenting their wares. They all are clearly unique and even if you don't buy anything well worth your time viewing their creativity. There's Devine Decoupage, Tuscan Throws, Turner and Pooch, Bare Naked Soap, Happy Spoons, Z Art, The Guilty Lizards Garden and Omaura Skin.

Also featured under Arts and Crafts you will find, Gardens and Art, Tresh and Lovie Fine Art, Rusty Nail Woodcraft, Fills Wood Electrocuted, Tom Soucek Watercolors, Mary Gephart Mosaics, Dragonflies and Cards, Fairie Houses, Jules Loft, Desdamona Doolittle and Quirks. Well worth your time to check them out at the website and then make plans to get on over to Art in the Garden. There is also the jewelry crafters sharing their talents, Ally June Jewelry, CAPtivating Designs, Vera's Jewelry Boutique, Girl Meets Joy Jewelry, Fair Anita and Resting on his Word. Not to mention the photography presentation from the Arboretum Photo Society and Tiny River Studio. Sounds like an event one would not want to miss huh? See ya' there.

## Star Light Movie

There is a free movie under the starlit sky on the big screen. When? Wednesday, August 21st at Fireman's Park. The second part is "The Lego Movie 2". Movie starts at dusk.





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# 56TH ANNUAL OLD-TIME HARVEST

FEATURING ALLIS CHALMERS AND FAIRBANKS MORSE

**LIVE MUSIC & ENTERTAINMENT FREE**

**FRIDAY AUG 2**

Cactus Willie 10am-1pm  
Larry Novotny 2pm-6pm

**SATURDAY AUG 3**

Mike Brown 9:30am-12:30pm  
Dale Pexa 2pm-6pm  
Dakota Ramblers 6:30pm-10pm

**SUNDAY AUG 4**

Church Service Pastor Krueger 7am  
Chuck Thiel 9am-1pm  
Czech Area Concertina 2:30pm-4:30pm

**FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS**

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST  
7AM-11AM**

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SAT 5PM-7PM**

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**AUGUST 2ND 3RD 4TH, 2019**  
FRIDAY & SATURDAY 7AM-10PM SUNDAY 7AM-6:30PM

**DEMONSTRATIONS FREE**

- Operating Shingle and Lath Mill
- Saw Mill
- Plowing
- Threshing
- Gas Engines
- Potato Digging
- Rug Loom
- Stationary Steam Engines
- Quilting & Spinning



**SITE ATTRACTIONS FREE**

- Tractors
- Steam Engines
- Gas Engine Shed
- Vintage Cars and Trucks
- Model T Shop
- Book Store
- Operating Print Shop
- Barn with Animals
- East Union Store
- One Room School House
- Memorial Garden
- Blacksmith Shop
- 1850 Log House
- Vilfer Engine
- Women's Building



**DAILY EVENTS**

Craft and Flea Market opens at 7 AM  
Parade Daily at 1 PM

**SPECIAL EVENTS FREE**

Spark Show Friday & Saturday at Dusk  
Tractor Challenge Sunday at 10am

**PEDAL TRACTOR PULL (SANCTIONED) FREE**

Trophies ages 4-11  
Tractors Provided Sunday 2pm

**ANTIQUA TRACTOR PULL**

Sunday 2:30 after the parade  
See website for rules and classes

**MACHINERY DEMONSTRATIONS FREE**

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**2020 FEATURE IS OLIVER TRACTORS AND ECONOMY/HERCULES GAS ENGINES**



*Night Marauders - Be You by Alison Boutique - Once Again Strike*

Territory, Raschevious and Bandedet were checking out the scene for access, discovering to their disappointment that this one was going to be quite the challenge. Bandedet was still not fully up to speed and was hesitant about being able to pull off gaining entrance with the time restrictions given due to the locality and the visibility of humans at almost any given time of day or night. Even if they chose times after bar closing it was too risky; the other option might be before sunrise. They would need to investigate further choosing the time as entry was going to be extremely problematic.

As Raschevious checked the structure out, he couldn't help but ask out loud annoying questions, distracting Territory.

"What goes on here anyway?" Raschevious asked as Territory assessed the exterior thoughtfully out of public view.

"Then or now?" Bandedet chimed in trying to get her own frustration in check.

"Both." Raschevious was genuinely interested at this point.

Meanwhile Territory looked more like a trapped critter unable to make any progress with clues for entrance. His irritation was growing quickly.

Bandedet searched her memory and stated, "Thought the building was built in around 1870 or so."

"Oh yea. I remember now reading that it used to be Carver Drug Store." Raschevious strained to remember.

"There was the Post Office too." Bandedet struggled with the pain she was experiencing in her usual dexterous front paws.

"Are you two done with the history lessons and finding a solution to our getting inside?" Territory barked irritably.

"Working on it Territory." Bandedet responded assured she could achieve access.

"And it is now a Women's Clothing Store." Territory plopped down on the ground and admitted defeat.

Bandedet was suddenly even more interested. "Oooh we have to get inside."

"How come we never see anyone around?" Raschevious asked curiously going around to check the back of the building.

"Appointments." Territory followed and responded and then firmly touching a weak spot in the ground.

"Strange way to sell clothes."

"Different way of shopping in this day and age." Conversing was calming him down.

"Oh, you mean this is one of those social media retail types of businesses?" Bandedet rhetorically asked now very interested, anxious to get inside and check things out.

Territory's irritation was increasing and escalating again with the lack of success in finding an entry point that was leaving only a front door entry option. Again, he sat down on his haunches glaring at the building angrily almost as though he could will a portal to open.

"LuLaRoe" Raschevious read the sign, continuing "Be You by Alison Boutique."

"Oh, that's that company where consultants are independent fashion retailers that connect with customers on a personal level and help you put outfits together." Bandedet repeated dreamily.

"How do you know so much?" Raschevious mocked teasingly.

"I am on the internet too you know." She challenged in a somewhat snotty tone.

Territory listened quietly to the two of them baiting one another.

"This company's mission is," Bandedet proceeded to recite word for word; (Where through fashion we create freedom, serve others and strengthen families. A community where lives are being improved and dreams achieved through love, purpose, confidence, trust and growth.)

"Well listen to you Miss Hoity Toity." Raschevious taunted the now irritated raccoon.

"Okay enough." Territory snapped stopping the squabble before it caused a scene drawing attention to them in broad daylight.

Once back closer to home, Lavender and Rascal joined the returning crew anxious for good news.

"Well" Rascal asked excitedly.

Territory shook his head in defeat.



"This store is the LuLaRoe, the pioneer social retail market." Bandeet reported still reciting all the news she read.

Lavender, being female and had also heard a little about this new concept was interested in discussing further.

"Do you think we will be able to see any the clothes?" Lavender asked cautiously.

"Not you too." Raschevious groaned.

Bandeet rambled on, "They have unique inventory, no two pieces of clothing are alike. There are limited quantities made of each print. The chances of your seeing it again are extremely slim."

"I heard too that they are unique, limited edition prints and patterns." Lavender realized that she had read about this not too long ago.

"Maybe we just skip trying to get inside and let you write everything you know." Territory was now becoming even more annoyed with the whole conversation.

"No. We have to see them. We have to get inside." Bandeet wailed afraid the idea would be abandoned.

"Whatever." Territory grunted walking away.

The street was empty, and extremely quiet as the sun was about to rise with Bandeet working nimbly at the lock on the front door as it was the only way the troupe was going to get inside the small space to check out the contents. Lavender crouched quietly around the corner standing watch. Rascal missed the rendezvous time, leaving him behind.

"This is really small." Raschevious remarked surprised.

Bandeet was rummaging through the clothing racks. Territory assessed the one room space with a makeshift dressing room, small rest room across the room and a high desktop right inside the door entrance. This was where Territory started to investigate. Raschevious eyed the camera pointed right at Territory, gulping; afraid they'd been busted.

"It's for the telecasting when she does those feeds." Territory dismissed the camera.

Raschevious was confused.

"It's like having your very own personal fashion designer coming right into your home through monitors. Shop hosted parties. That's the camera used." Bandeet explained matter of factly.

Since the space was so small and most of the business done through social media, the party was over very quickly. They slipped out, locking the door behind them just as the sun was about to rise and scampered back to the river bottom. Lavender and Bandeet, were in deep conversation, and didn't notice the males had scattered as not to hear their chatter.

"Well they certainly were impressed." Raschevious grunted not the least bit interested.

"If it had been lures you would be just as enthralled as they." Territory reminded.

Territory wrote:

"Love fashion, clothes? LuLaRoe Collection is one of a kind. Their collection includes skirts, dresses and legging for women and girls to fit all body types. Alison, the owner wanted to continue her love affair with being an entrepreneur. This particular endeavor allowed her the flexibility necessary with three small children when she began in 2015. She loves clothes, fun, fashion and had the foresight to envision the personal and unique shopping boutique experience. Not to mention her bubbly, extroverted warm, welcoming persona that is immediately obvious as soon as you set foot into her boutique.

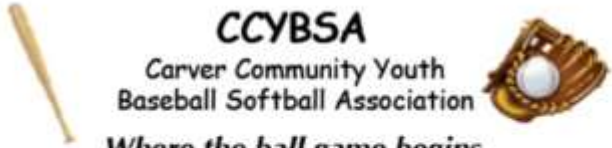
Alison says "Be You is my mantra. I always say 'Wear what you love, be you.' LuLaRoe is unique, different and fun and that is why women love it. They love getting a compliment and feeling beautiful. This world is full of negatives, so I am trying to remind my customers, followers and friends to just be themselves.

Alison wanted to be more visible in the community. Her first priority is being 'mom' while running a successful business. Alison further says, "My lifetime goal is to share with women to be confident, strong, beautiful. For them to put their best self forward."

So, to learn more, you can visit with Alison on Facebook or stop in for an appointment with her at 221 Broadway in Carver. You won't know if you would like, love or be interested, if you don't take the first step and check her out."



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