



Dedicated in Loving Memory Stan Riebert

Co-Vid19 Phasing Plan

The city manager discussed with the council the Covid-19 Phasing Plan. The city's service counter has been closed and facility rentals suspended since March. Staff had been working mainly remotely. The Fire Station and the Public Services Building remain closed to the public for an indefinite period. The staff is working on phased re-opening plan. The Governor lifted the "Stay at Home Order". The strategy one plan if the city hall service counter will be "Open by Appointment". However, services will be handled by remote means and then if necessary, an appointment will be scheduled. Park shelter and field reservations remain suspended. City Hall and Church-by-the-River rentals will plan and implement public health and social distancing throughout city buildings. Indoor park rest-rooms, concession stands and Riverside Park campsites will remain closed for the remainder of the season. The Phase II Implementation Milestone would be effective June 16th. The city will remain in Phase I if the county public health statistics indicate an increase of the virus. Council and commission meetings are to be held in the council chambers. Video conferencing will be available. There will not be any scheduled meetings in the Rapids Room. The city hall service counter will be open. Facility, field and picnic shelter rental will be available with maximum occupancy adhered to. Staff will transition to normal "on-sit" working hours. Motion was made and carried with all ayes adopting the Covid-19 Phasing Plan presented.

Sky View Lane

The interim city planner discussed with the council the alley vacation and lot combination request in SkyView Lane. The council reviewed resolutions relating to the approval of the alley vacation and the lot combination. The two lots are separated by an alley. An alley vacation would consolidate the two lots. The alley vacation would be split evenly between the adjacent property owners once vacated. Recommendation was submitted that the municipal utilities easement maintained. The Planning Commission held a public hearing and recommended approval.

Community Development Agency

The Community Development Agency Deputy Director addressed the council regarding the Livable Communities Account Acknowledgement Form concerning their proposal to construct a structure within the city as discussed in previous meetings. The city attorney weighed in with his opinion regarding the grant being applied for by the CDA.

The attorney indicated tht the if the city signs the receptivity agreement and the grant were awarded that the city could still be obligated to match the grant. There were still many unknown details for necessary approvals. It was understood that the agency was the back up source for the funds, however, the city could still be accountable. If the city were to pursue, recommendation was made to have a binding agreement with the Metropolitan Council for the reimbursement of the match prior to signing a receptivity agreement. Additionally, the city does have the right to make a match prior to signing. It would be a policy decision, along with timing and a city review and approval of the grant application.

Miscellaneous

The new Public Services Director, Chad Shell was introduced to the council by the city manager.

Design Carver

The Planning consultant discussed the resolution regarding the Design Carver Final Approval, the city's 2040 Comprehensive Plan. The seven-county region of the Metropolitan Council are required to update their Comprehensive Plan every ten years. The Met Council sets the framework and outlines of requirements and then the local units of government are charged with the planning processes. The Planning Commission held a Public Hearing. The proposal was submitted to the Met Council. Approval has been recommended. The council reviewed the resolution.

City Well

The city attorney addressed the council pertaining to the issue of the city's reviewing alternative sites for a new city well. One site identified was located at the Meadows at Spring Creek. The location was an undevelopable outlot in the subdivision. However, the outlot is subject to a Homeowners' Declaration and not possible for the city to obtain a conveyance of the property. There are however, certain utility easement rights. An agreement was reviewed that would permit the construction of a city well on the outlot. The agreement is in the best interest of the city and recommended to approve entry into the agreement.

ATV Ordinance

The city attorney communicated with the council regarding the ATV Ordinance. The ordinance was first codified in 1997 and has had prohibitions on the use of all terrain vehicles on city public right-of-way's, sidewalks and trails. Minor modifications were made relating to snowmobiles and the use of ATV's during Steamboat Days. Otherwise, the ordinance has been substantially unchanged since its original adoption. It was deemed that the definition was antiquated. The attorney's recommendation was that the definition of an ATV be more consistent with the State's definition. An updated version should be sought.

St Nicholas Catholic Church

The current mass schedule at Guardian Angels is 4 PM Saturdays, 8 AM, 10 AM and 12:30 PM (Spanish) Sundays. Please note that at this time no masses at St. Nicholas because of the size of our church. Please see the June 7 bulletin for important details for attending mass in person.

Even though churches are opening, the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass continues. Be decree of the Archbishop, no one is obligated to attend Mass.

You can watch current and past Masses on the Livestream Mass and archive web page. . <https://gachaska.org/live-mass-and-mass-video-archive/>

You may not always have a comfortable life and you will not always be able to sole all of the world's problems at once but don't ever underestimate the importance you can have because history has shown us that courage can be contagious and hope can take on a life of its own.
~ Michele Obama

2020 Summer Cancelled

By: Ricki Yvonne

The 2020 Summer is cancelled. Wow, what a caption huh? In this era what does that mean really? The human race that has been conditioned to run, run, run, rush, get from this point to that point as efficiently and effectively as possible in this day and age, complaining there aren't enough hours in the day and whining about can't keep up. Well, folks, got news for you, the human race has been brought to an abrupt halt and we all have to reevaluate, retrain and adjust. What a concept huh? Hold on everyone, we are in for a new kind of ride.

It goes without saying, that as the editor and chief person in charge that I suspected most of the summer's activities were to be cancelled. Each day, heard about a new cancellation not to mention everything that has already been on hold or virtually stopped. Was really surprised when met cousins from out of state and we went for dinner. Mind you, this individual has not been out but maybe four times in the last three months. Reminds me of growing up when the cliché was that the streets were rolled up for nighttime at seven at night. Dead, empty and nothing open. That has to earth shattering for some, I would suspect? Yea, it dates me. So what?

Anyway, went to prepare this month's issue for ya'll and found more stuff was cancelled than one could tell you about, making for quick work here and a very, very short newsletter.

Taste of Shakopee has been postponed until September. July 4th, Jonathan Association 4th of July events cancelled. However, the Chaska sponsored fireworks are still slated to happen. Oh, good, some fireworks this summer at least.

Chanhasen has events, see below. BBQ Days in Belle Plaine has been cancelled. Fire and Ice, the Scott County Fair, the Scott-Carver Thresher's Festival and the State Fair all cancelled for 2020. Rest in peace 2020 Summer. Even Valley is closed for the season. Bummer huh? Did see that River City Days postponed, didn't find a date. Cologne Glad Days has plans. The Renaissance Festival is still planning on holding their festivities. Wonder what will happen with the fall events? Maybe we could just cancel 2020 all together? Don't we wish?

News Flash!!!! Just received word from a very reputable source that Chaska River City Days was rescheduled for September 25-26 and Taste of Chaska was rescheduled for Aug. 12.

"The City of Chanhasen's Annual 4th of July Celebration will be celebrating its 37th year in 2020! For the health and safety of our community during the COVID-19 pandemic, event components involving large gatherings will be cancelled. A modified schedule of events has been prepared, centering around July 4th. Please take this time to enjoy these events at home with your family and friends! For a schedule of events and a look back at Chanhasen's 4th of July Celebration through the years."

Chaska River City Days

"We'd like to let everyone know, that the difficult decision to reschedule Chaska River City Days to a date later in the year has been made. [September 25 - 26th]

Details and event schedules will be updated on our website as soon as possible for the rescheduled event.

We hope everyone understands that *many* factors came into play, and the decision wasn't easy.

We hope to still be able to bring you an amazing community event, however, that will bring us all back together again!

Please direct any and all questions to: RCD Executive Director Jodi Hesse at info@chaskarivercitydays.com"

Cologne Glad Days

Welcome to Cologne, Minnesota's annual hometown festival!

WE ARE STILL ON FOR 2020!

Things are going to look drastically different but we are still trying to put something safe together for the amazing town of Cologne!

Carver County Fair Board

"With the uncertainty of the COVID-19 situation and restrictions as communicated by the MN Department of Health and the CDC on social distancing, masks, required sanitization along with the unknowns and timing yet to be communicated for mass gatherings we have determined that it is the right decision to postpone the 109th Carver County Fair until 2021."

Farmer's Market



The SouthWest Metro Chamber would like to remind you to come to the Farmer's Market event in downtown Chaska again on Wednesdays through September. They are also going to be hosting the Farmer's Market on Thursdays in Victoria beginning in July. Wednesday's location in Chaska is at 300 North Chestnut Street, City Square Park. There will not be any market on July 1st in Chaska. The times were stated to be 3 PM to 7 PM in Chaska. Chaska's market will end their season in September while Victoria's market will run through October.

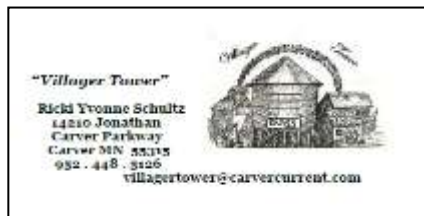
July schedule for Victoria will begin on July 16th and operate through October 8th on Thursdays starting and 3 PM until 7 PM. The markets will be held at two locations in Victoria. The first site listed is Enki Taproom and Eatery parking lot and the second location is 1495 Steiger Lake Lane.

"The planet does not need more successful people. The planet desperately needs more peacemakers, healers, restorers, storytellers and lovers of all kinds."
~ Dalai Lama

Carver Current

Looking for what is going on locally? Check out www.carvercurrent.com. Well worth checking. An excellent source of information of city updates, local organization events, local news, school activities, sports results etc. Also, a great site for sharing important information and events affecting local residents. The newsletter, the "Villager Tower" can also be found on this website, among other valuable information.

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Carver Lions

Even though so much has been cancelled and so many things are at a standstill, so much is going on behind the scenes too. The Carver Lions dedicated members continue their meetings. Remember, they are on summer schedule, so they are meeting the second Wednesday of the summer months. July's meeting is scheduled for the Wednesday the 15th. Be sure to contact a Lion's member if you are interested in participating in community events. Their tentative meeting for August is the 19th. However, like everything else going on in the world that is subject to change.

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Carver Shops

Occasional Shop dates for July 16th – 19th. Due to the uncertainty of the Bloody Coronavirus check their websties and Faebook pages for updates on each shop's availability. All Things Fabulous as on-line purchasing available. Bet the rest might also be available to you on line if you are interested and have a computer available. Remember there are those who don't have that available to them either. In these trying times, don't forget our local shops too and that they are experiencing stressful times too. A kind word might be refreshing if you can't buy anything too. Let's stick together and be kind.

The Shops of Carver:

Carver General – Facebook - Occasional Shop Dates
 Fourfold Studios – Website
 Mon – Thurs 9 AM – 4 PM
 Ripple Art Studio & Gallery – www.rippleartstudio.com
 Ripple Art Studio & Gallery - FB
 Strange Birds - [facebook.com/strangebirdsmn/](https://www.facebook.com/strangebirdsmn/)Website
 The Good Junk Garage – Facebook
 204 Studio - photography – Website
 SomeWhat Crafty - Facebook
 Temperance Arts & Gifts – Facebook



Carver General

Carver General is back on for their regular monthly schedule. On good authority, was informed that they finished up a great sale in June! Their next sale dates are July 16th through the 19th. Don't miss out... They will be open Thursday through Saturday from 10 AM – PM and Sunday from Noon until 4 PM. Isn't that great? Living is returning. There really is a light at the end of the tunnel huh?

All Things Fabulous

It is with heavy heart to have to tell everyone, Taffney had to close her shop, All Things Fabulous. Good luck Taffney.

Roots Return Heritage Farm

By: Lori Cox
VISITING THE FARM
 "U-Pick this season is Reservation Only, NO walk-ins.
 Items are posted as they become available. Your reservation purchase quantity is noted on the item, more possibly available when visiting. You need not bring additional cash or card if you don't wish to purchase more. Please make sure to read the FAQ on Shopify order site before purchasing, or visiting. (Sorry, no exceptions). <http://rrhf.myshopify.com/pages/FAQ>
 All reservations will wash hands upon entering, and exiting. We have appropriate containers (and bags if needed) as well as biodegradable gloves if you wish to use them. Masks are not required. With any visit to the farm, do not come if you are sick, coughing, sneezing, runny nose, eyes, etc or suffering from bad allergies. Some areas will have great spacing (Strawberries), some will be tighter (Raspberries). If someone will be picking for you, just email ahead of time. 1 reservation = 1 picker
 Please send questions not answered in FAQ to rootsreturn@gmail.com.
THANK YOU! ❤️"



Trinity Lutheran Church

"Our doors are open! Please join us for worship services as we gather together again on July 5th at 9:00 am. For those of you that are unable to attend, we hope to continue posting some type of recording on our website at www.trinitycarver.com
 Many of the procedural details regarding physical distancing, masks, and the like are still developing We will post those details on the website before July 5th.
 We would love to pray for you. Please contact us with prayer requests or questions at: Office: 952-448-3628
 Email: triluthsecretary@gmail.com
<https://www.facebook.com/TrinityLutheranChurchCarver>
 Our Vicar, David Jander, will be ordained as Pastor in July. He and his wife and children (ages 12, 16, and 19,) are eager to meet you and grow roots in this community. We invite you to connect!"



Community Highlights July 2020

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| July 4 th | 4 th of July |
| July 5 th | Happy Birthday Doug! |
| July 6 th | Council Meeting |
| July 8 th | Happy Birthday Hunter! |
| July 9 th | Happy Birthday Dan! |
| July 12 th | Happy Birthday Maria! |
| July 13 th | Parks Commission Meeting |
| | Dahlgren Township Board Meeting |
| | Happy Birthday David! |
| July 14 th | Heritage Preservation Meeting |
| | Meet and Greet |
| | Happy Birthday Paul! |
| July 15 th | School Board Meeting |
| | Carver Lions Meeting |
| | Happy Birthday Krissy! |
| July 16 th | Planning Commission Meeting |
| July 16 th through 19 th | Occasional Shops |
| July 17 th | Carver Business Alliance Meeting |
| | Happy Birthday Doug! |
| July 20 th | Council Meeting |
| July 22 nd | Happy Birthday Becky! |
| July 23 rd | Happy Anniversary Doug and Aletta! |
| July 24 th | Happy Birthday Charity! |
| July 25 th | Happy Birthday Janelle! |
| | Happy Birthday Marvin! |
| | Happy Birthday Kallie! |
| July 26 th | Happy Birthday Bonnie! |
| July 27 th | Happy Anniversary Tony and Jane! |
| July 29 th | Happy Anniversary Dan and Carol! |



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Carver Community Youth
 Baseball Softball Association



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Find us on line at: www.cityofcarver.com

Questions? Email us at: ccybsa.reg@gmail.com



Black Sox

Check their website for updates, www.carverblacksox.com

Kismet

Territory accidentally ended up in a completely different area than his siblings due to his own curiosity. As it turned out, as youngsters they were all playing but Territory was suddenly more interested in the items on a trailer sitting close by when they were all wrestling with one another. Being an extremely curious creature by nature, he couldn't help himself. Territory jumped into the trailer to inspect the fascinating shiny treasures in the corner. He got so involved in touching, feeling and digging deeper that he forgot all about his siblings. Then Territory fell asleep in the trailer. The others had scampered off home. His family searched and searched to no avail for Territory. His chances of survival were good since he was a little over twelve months old raising his survival rate to at least a rating of an eight or nine. Since youngsters are ready to leave their nesting home at fourteen months anyway, he was a luckier cub than some.

As it turned out, the owners of that trailer had been packing up and preparing to return home that following morning after Territory's discovery of the treasures already packed. By the time Territory awoke, it was too late. He couldn't jump out. He could only hunker down deep out of the wind and hope he wouldn't be blown off. He had no idea where they were and everything was whizzing by too quickly that it made him dizzy. The thumping sound of the tires spinning round on the asphalt hurt his ears. He burrowed deeper down to drown out the sound.

So began Territory's new life that fateful day. The humans totally unaware of their stowaway. It didn't take this small racoon very long to find his way to his new home in the river bottoms next to the Minnesota River, grateful to be back on the ground with all four paws. His head was still spinning from the three and half-hour trip. He was tired, thirsty and hungry. Being an extremely intelligent critter, he was quick to embellish and reestablish his new home in an abandoned burrow appearing to have once been inhabited by a family of fox. It was close to the river, but far enough away for safety from predators, the elements and unexpected water seepage, at least for the time being. Once he'd caught his supper, ate and settled down to rest for the night as it was almost nightfall. Normally, being of nocturnal nature he would be wide awake and ready to carouse but today, after the long trip, he was tired. As he settled in for the night, his emotions began to swell and his mind began to work overtime. It was setting in how much he missed his mother, his brothers and his sisters. Suddenly, it really hit him, like a freight train. He was alone. As quick as that realization hit, he did an about face and immediately scolded himself for feeling sorry for himself. After all, he and his sibling had always talked about their plans for themselves, when they would go, where they would go, what they were striving to achieve when they did go their separate ways. Territory always had big plans for himself. Well, the time had come and his new journey had begun towards that goal they had talked about so often with one another.

In the morning, he would set out to investigate his new home and set his plans in motion. He squelched his self-pity party.

Many years later, two kits from that famous racoon family were renowned in their own rights. Territory's brother, Monsieur Mayhem in the Pine River, Backus area became very well acquainted with the Great Northern News publisher, Action Entertainment producer and man with many hats, Doug. Monsieur Mayhem began his career with the Great Northern News as the Feral Restaurant Review expert, rising to Feral Travel expert too. While his brother, Territory successfully ventured also in writing reviews for the local shops in the small river town of Carver as the leader of the Night Marauders.

It was quite by accident that the two racoons' paths crossed again and the reuniting of the brothers. Funny how fate takes its path in one direction to only reconnect again later in another.

"Kismet." Monsieur Mayhem exclaimed upon learning what had happened that fateful day they lost Territory.

Strange as life would be, the two brothers were able to establish communications with one another thanks to modern technology. They shared so many of their experiences with one another that they each began to truly feel that they really never had been separated at all. Often, they touched on the topic of possibly finagling a way to meet up somewhere for old times' sake. Neither truly believed that chance would or ever could actually occur.

Then the day came when the two brothers physically reunited in one of the northern suburbs of the twin cities. It was a rude awakening for Monsieur Mayhem as city folk were not as cordial as the northerners. After a playful wrestling banter between the two upon greeting one another now that they had grown older and supposedly wiser. Monsieur Mayhem thought he could dine at a local establishment just like at home. The encounter with these humans was far from the reactions he was accustomed to. It was much to his surprise, instead he be greeted by screams, swatting and finally adding insult to injury he felt a broom connect with his bottom and flung him up into the air and throwing him several feet away from the front door where he had tried to enter cordially.

Territory rushed to his side, gasping, "Come on we need to get out of here quick before they call animal control."

"Animal control?" Monsieur Mayhem responded confused, "What's animal control?"

"Come on" Territory urged intensely.

Sensing danger by the tone of Territory's voice he complied reluctantly.

"Northern humans are far more accepting and tolerant of the dexterous bandits in the northern sections of the state than these humans residing here in the southern areas of the twin cities." Territory explained matter of factly.

"Well that's just plain rude." Monsieur Mayhem sighed disappointed and immediately forming a dislike for the area.

He also was beginning to regret his decision to venture this far south, as well. Although he did have to admit it was certainly worthwhile to see his brother once again.

By the close of their adventure the two were quite happy that they'd decided to pursue this venture and promised one another to do it again. Perhaps next time a little better planning in advance they both agreed upon. Bidding adieu to one another, there was a certain amount of sadness but elated that they spent the time together, as well. Each turned to depart in their home direction without looking back.