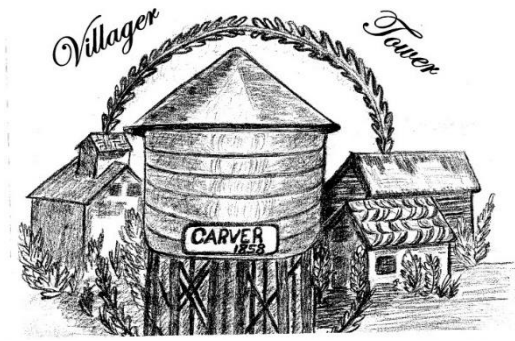


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Courtney's Message

Greetings!

The City of Carver recently completed 2024 Community Survey. We partnered with the Morris Leatherman Company who conducted a telephone survey of 400 randomly selected residents of the City of Carver. The results are projectable to +/- 5.0% in 95 out of 100 cases.

I am absolutely thrilled with the results from our 2024 Community Survey and am excited to share the details with you all! The following summary is excerpted from Morris Leatherman Company's final report.

Residents enjoy the "small town" aspects of the community: "quiet and peaceful," "small town feel," "rural/open spaces," "sense of community," and "safe." The community is in the top tenth among rated Greater Metropolitan Area suburbs in its overall quality of life. Residents are very satisfied with the operation of City Government, and regard city services as both solid and cost-efficient. A decisive majority favors the City providing financial incentives to attract specific types of development. In general, residents have high expectations and the City appears to meet or exceed most residents' needs. Notably, residents exhibit one of the strongest levels of confidence in the direction of their community found within the Greater Metropolitan Area suburbs.

Even though residential alienation is common in high growth suburbs and exurbs it is not the case in Carver: only twenty-five percent, five percent less than the overall norm, do not feel they can have a say about the way things are run in Carver, other than voting. Very few growing communities have managed to mitigate residential alienation as well as the City of Carver.

The park and recreation system -- both facilities and programs -- is deemed both adequate in meeting household needs and is also exceptionally well-regarded.

The key information sources about City Government and its activities revolve around the City's website and the City newsletter. The readership of this newsletter is a strong 64%.

Citizens are enthusiastic about their city. At a time when governments at different levels polarize people, Carver residents are extremely satisfied with their local government and its services. With a 25% "city booster" core, the City possesses a large reservoir of goodwill which will serve it well meeting challenges in the near future.

There is more data in the survey than I have space to share here. To see the full 2024 City of Carver Community Survey, go to CityOfCarver.com

As always, if you have any questions, comments or concerns about the Community Survey or anything else, please don't hesitate to reach out. I look forward to hearing from you!

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Municipal Water

At the work session meeting discussion was held pertaining to the Water Treatment Facility Improvements, specifically the underdrain update. The overview given by the city engineer involved the council's authorization in the past to replacement of the underdrain and filter media in existing filters at the water treatment plant due to failure. The construction schedule was reviewed and discussed. The plant is anticipated to be reinstated to full treatment capacity by July of 2024. Water demands were discussed in great length.

Capital Improvements Plan

The council held a public hearing on the Capital Improvement Plan Bonds item. The Finance Director presented information concerning the Capital Improvements Plan Bonds and adopting the plan for the years of 2024 through 2028. Motion was made and carried with all eyes adopting the resolution giving preliminary approval of issuance of General Obligation Improvement Plan Bonds in said amount and to adopt the Capital Improvement Plan.

Miscellaneous

The city council approved a resolution acknowledging acceptance, as well as appreciation for the donation of an Automated External Defibrillator in memory of Ryan Rydberg who was a resident and active community member of the City.

The council also approved a resolution acknowledging accepts and appreciation for donations from the Carver Lions in their mission to empower volunteers to serve communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through the Lions Clubs.

The City Clerk discussed the Fireworks Display contract for Steamboat Days. The council reviewed the motion for the contract. The overview was discussed that one of the highlights each year during Steamboat Days is the fireworks display. Traditionally the event occurred in Riverside Park on Saturday evenings of the festival weekends. This year the event is scheduled for Saturday, September 7th. The fireworks display will be produced and performed under the supervision of Sparks Inc.

Lions Park Courts Project

The Community Development Director discussed the information for bids concerning the Lions Park Improvements. The project includes reconfiguration of the current basketball court with the addition of two pickle ball courts. Motion was made and carried with all eyes awarding the contract to BKJ Land company for the Lions Park Improvements.

"You are free to choose, but you are not free from the consequences of your choice."

~Tony Robbins

Conservation Area Policy

The city attorney discussed the Conservation Area Policy draft for discussion with the council at a work session meeting. Discussion was held regarding the overview that the city has required developers to install signage in certain locations identifying conservation areas since 2016. The reason they were discussed was reviewed as these areas are subject to varying restrictions. Due to steady development through the city these areas have increased.

Generally it is on occasion that residents submit inquiries regarding these conservation areas as to whether or not work can be performed within the areas. Typically the response is 'no,' although it is generally dependent on the nature of the request and the type of conservation area. Based on the frequency of said request, the staff has requested consideration of adopting a policy relating to said areas. A formal policy document would enable the staff to communicate the city's position accurately and effectively. It would be available to the public for review, as well. A policy has been drafted for review and discussion. The formal document would provide an overview of city conservation areas including a summary of the various features located within these areas, map, and policy directives consistent with existing state and local regulations. Currently signs are all the same. Bolton and Menk has prepared three sticker options for the council to consider. Staff is requesting feedback on the types of stickers to order. Prior to adoption of the drafted policy, Exhibit A would be updated accordingly reflecting preferred choices.

Statement was also made that it is critical that these Conservation Areas remain protected to further public health and safety ensuring viability and sustainability of the various features contained in the document.

Church By The River

The City Manager discussed the proposal approval for the roofing project for the Church By the River building. This building is owned and operated by the City of Carver located on Main Street in Carver's historic district. It has previously served as the chambers for the council and is now a rentable community event space. The proposal specified the use of architectural shingles. Highmark firm submitted the lowest bid for the project.

Third Street Bridge

The Assistant City Engineer discussed the topic of the Third Street Bridge Replacement plans with the council. The items involved with this topic included bid award and agreement, resolution adoption awarding contract, and authorizing execution of the program grant agreement. An overview was again recapped at the meeting. The bridge spans over Spring Creek between Broadway and Jorgenson Streets. It was constructed in 1912 with a service life spanning over a century. The structure has deteriorated and is classified as structurally deficient. Funding had been sought in 2021 with acceptance of funds. "The program is funded by bond funding allocated specifically for the purpose of repairing and replacing deficient bridges in the State of Minnesota. Plans and Specifications were prepared and approved by the MnDOT bridge office and State Aid. Bids have been received and the MnDOT State Aid office has provided a final funding encumbrance letter based on the low bid amount and a grant agreement for execution has been prepared. Upon award of a construction contract and execution of the grant agreement, the construction of the improvements may commence." The council reviewed the project schedule in great detail.

"Specific funding exceptions exist for aesthetics and other elements not deemed necessary by MnDOT to replace the structure with a functional bridge, or for elements not necessary for the bridge as it relates to the future Carver Levee improvements." The council also reviewed the project funding plan and total project budget recommendations as directed by the MnDOT Encumbrance Letter.

Carver Business Alliance

The Carver Business Alliance is a collaboration of business owners, community leaders, and local officials working together to promote, enhance, and create opportunities for commerce in the City of Carver. Business roundtable discussions are held, and City of Carver updates are provided at each meeting." They usually meet every third Friday at city hall. May's meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 21st.

"The secret of your future is hidden in your daily routine."

~ Mike Murdoch

Carver Current

Have you checked out the Carver Current website? Looking for local information? Go to Carver Current website to get information you didn't know you needed. It is also where you will find the local newsletter relating to the City of Carver, "Villager Tower." There is all kinds of valuable information on this site too. You can also post information on this website. You can find links too at Carver Current. Just another way to stay in touch and know what is happening locally in the Carver area.

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Farmers' Markets and Community Gardens

Here's still another NewsFlash for y'all. The Farmer's Markets all over the southwest metro are gearing up for the 2024 season. Carver's 2024 opening debut is June 4th while Chaska's debut is 5th, that's a Tuesday and Wednesday, by the way for informational orientation purposes. The Farmers' Markets are a terrific way to find fresh fruits, vegetables, as well as other foods and great items for everyone to enjoy. It is understood that you can visit Minnesota Grown from the MN Department of Agriculture to get information about locally grown foods and find local MN farmers and markets. Carver County has Bongards Market June through September, Carver's Market Juen through October 1st, Chanhassen's Farmers' Market, Chaska and Victoria was what was listed thus far. The one's this editor found included Eden Prairie, Prior Lake, Shakopee, Savage, Mayer, Hopkins, Minnetonka and Mound.

Also, was able to find that you can find more information on the county's web page, Carver Farmers' Market Facebook page and the Southwest Metro Chamber of Commerce.

Another tidbit for you: "Market Bucks for SNAP/EBT Recipients SNAP, or the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, is a federal food assistance program. Recipients of SNAP can double their SNAP/EBT purchases at participating farmers' markets through the Market Bucks program. Spend \$10 at the market on your EBT card and get \$10 free every time you shop!"

Y'all do know that if you want to grow your own produce there are community gardens available in Carver, Norwood/Young America, Chanhassen, Waconia, Watertown and West Union right? You can get more information at www.carvercountymn.gov

Volksfest Market

SouthWest Metro Chamber proudly announces they are hosting the Volksfest Market in Victoria. It's new this year and happening actually on July 20th and July 21st. Featuring farm goods, artisan foods, arts, crafts and local businesses. This will all take place at the Victoria Lions Park.

The event will also include live music, food, beverages, kids' activities, as well as sports activities. There are one day and two day vendor available. Registration link for Volksfest:

www.swmetrochambermaster.com/eventregistration/register/14652spaces

Carver Baseball Softball Association

Up to date information can be found at www.ccybsa.com The 2024 season is happening already!. Be sure to check their web page for all information relating to kids playing ball in Carver. There is all kinds of pertinent information on their webpage. Tournament teams registration information, volunteer positions information, uniform fittings, volunteers needed. Also, remember that the organization will again be manning the concession stand during the Carver Black Sox home games. Support your local champions.

It also appears that they are seeking volunteers, coaches and umpires. (?)

Southwest Transit

Check their website for all services provided. www.swtransit.org

You do know that you can take the bus to the MN Twins home games? Check their webpage for all the information under Twins Express. Reference past newsletters or their webpage for their Concert Series services in the cities. Lots of services, but you know that, don't you?



Carver Black Sox

Have you checked out your local team? Check their website for additional information, www.carverblacksox.com.



Let the games begin! Summer season is officially here! Support your local team! Go to their webpage for game times, locations and competitors!

Did you hear or did you attend the Carver Black Sox game at the Chaska Athletic Park where they played against the Chaska Cubs? If you didn't then let's share some positive information, shall we? The sales from that event were put towards a First Responders Scholarship fund in Carver County. The event was also titled, "First Responders Nite"! The SouthWest Metro Chamber of Commerce sold burgers at the event that night to benefit the scholarship fund. Also sold that evening were special Challenge Coins. So, a huge shout out to the Carver Black Sox, the Chaska Cubs and to SouthWest Metro Chamber, as well as their sponsor, Structures, Inc. Good going guys and gals!!!! Job well done!

Disclaimer

Any and all information used to comprise the information in the 'Villager Tower' for informing the public is by utilizing the unapproved minutes posted on the City of Carver's website. Dahlgren Township information is secured from their website. Information for events, festivities, and so forth are also found on the internet to share with the public. It is the public's responsibility to verify information by visiting sites to get all and up to date information.

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WeCab

Hey everyone, don't forget if Southwest Transit can't help you out, there is still another organization to assist in getting people from Point A to Point B and back. It's WeCab. Visit their web page for more information, www.wecab.org



They are a network of volunteers with the mission to provide safe, affordable, and supplemental transportation for worship services, medical appointments, access to metro transit, local businesses shopping, community services and even to run errands.

They will assist you seven days a week as the drivers are available. Trips need to be reserved on Thursday for Saturday, Sunday and Monday trips. They will accept ride requests for Carver County and Westonka, Monday through Friday from 9 AM to 1 PM.

The communities served are Westonka, Maple Plain, Minnetrista, Mound, Navarre, Spring Park, St Bonifacius, Carver County, Carver, Chanhassen, Chaska, Mayer, New Germany, Victoria, Waconia, and Watertown.

They are dependent on volunteers (if interested in doing that, contact them too). Their volunteer opportunities are very flexible. They always need Volunteers for driving and dispatchers. Did you know that you could even dispatch from home?

Fireman's Park - Clayhole

Concert Series

Announcements were made:
6 PM Showtimes

The Clayhole Concert Series Line Up:

June 5th Solid Gold Band
June 12th Jazz on the Prairie
June 19th Sawyers Dream
June 26th The Dirty Shorts Brass Band

July 10th Becky Rae Dalton
July 17th Mike Poog
July 24th Traveled Ground
Bark In the Park Event
July 31st The Tuxedo Band

August 7th The Rosie Daze Band
August 14th Hunker'd Down Blues Band
August 21st The Castaways



D-Fee Annual Walk

D-Fee Hearing Loss Annual Walk is a great opportunity for individuals and teams to come together for a fun filled event while making a difference. The safe socially distanced half mile, two mile, or three mile walk through your neighborhood, around a lake, or nearby park. The 2024 Lions hosted event is planned this year at the Landscape Arboretum in Chanhassen on Saturday, June 1st starting at 9 AM until 1 PM. There is also a walk plan at Diamond Point Park in Bemidji.

If interested, you can register on line. If you need help, you can email rpjech@gmail.com.

When you participate you support critical clinical care, research and programs provided by the MN Lions Hearing Foundation. These programs include the Lions Children's Hearing Center, the Lions Children's Hearing and ENT Clinic and the Lions Professorship. Financial support helps enhance diagnostic equipment, testing facilities, and state-of-the-art technology for hearing health.

An added bonus by participating in this great event is that at the MN Landscape Arboretum the whole place is bursting with blooms! You will be able to explore the seasonal tulips, hyacinths, daffodils and other spring ephemerals. Then there are the trails, art exhibits, and special events.



Carver Lions

Don't forget the Lions are still collecting old eyeglasses or hearing aids. You can drop them off at Harvey's Bar and Grill, the Post Office, Carver Ridge Senior Living building or at Lenzen Chevrolet dealerships in Chaska.

Oh yea, just so you know there are ongoing projects too, like Roadside Clean up; Blood Drive dates; and weekly Meat Raffles. Speaking of the meat raffles, be sure to check their Facebook page for when and where their meat raffles are occurring, along with other up to date information. Don't forget to apply for their available scholarships too posted on Facebook and their webpage. www.carverlions.org



That is when they are out of what I was told, "Must be Facebook jail of some kind." There web page for Facebook has been out of commission leaving this editor also at a disadvantage. The items I had saved to tell you are gone too. So lost that news too to share. Was also told it is being worked on, so keep checking. That's what this editor has been doing. But remember, there's always 'word of mouth,' one of the best communicators ever. There website though is working fine. www.carverlions.org

You know that they are working hard for Steamboat Days. Hate to really shock your system, but by publication time, Steamboat Days will only be two plus months from happening in 2024! "Time flies when you are having fun." They say. The Lions Club has resumed their summer meeting schedule. They are also preparing for the D-foot Hearing Loss Walk at the Arboretum in June. Separate article in contents. That's all this editor can tell you this round.

Minnesota Valley Community

Band

Have you heard or know about the Minnesota Valley Community Band? They can be found on line at www.mvcb.org, if you would like more information. There was a posting in Carver Life that this editor found interesting and thought it would be nice to share and at the same time introduce you to the band information, or at least some of it. It is a band consisting of a group of sixty plus individuals who enjoy playing music. They are located in the Chaska, Chanhassen area with members from other cities They formed in 1986. There's more information on their website if you are interested. They are seeking a Music Director/Conductor with applications being accepted through July 31st. The position would begin in October of this year. Check it out everyone. Lots of valuable information on their webpage too.



In case you are also interested, they will be in Chaska performing at 7 PM on Thursday, June 27th. Again July 18th, Thursday, at the Landscape Arboretum at 6 PM. Waconia concert scheduled at 7 PM on Wednesday, July 24th at Faith Lutheran Church. A concert in Victoria at Charlson-Thun Bandstand on Wednesday, July 31st at 6 PM. That should about cover it, the rest is up to y'all.

"Mistakes are forgivable, , if one has the courage to admit them."
~ Bruce Lee

Carver Shops

There was a time when the Carver era had multiple Occasional Shops dotted throughout Carver. That landscape seems to have shifted to Chaska, Waconia areas presently. There are lots of them all over and lots that no longer exist or you need to be on that circuit to follow. However, Carver still has two. Let's keep them here huh? Other types of small businesses have popped up all over town though, some downtown, some on the outskirts, some more modern, some more traditional, some quaint but all are unique in their own right. Not to mention all the businesses run out of private residences throughout the entire area. Be sure to support your local businesses. Carver shops occasional dates for June 20th through 23rd.

Some Shops in Carver:

Carver Creamery – updates on Facebook/Instagram - 2024 OPEN

Carver General – Facebook - Occasional Shop Dates

Old Carver Fishing Bait and Tackle - Facebook

Ripple Art Studio & Gallery – www.rippleartstudio.com

Ripple Art Studio & Gallery - FB

The Good Junk Garage – Facebook

Temperance Arts & Gifts – Facebook

The Funky Dove – Facebook

Strive Nutrition – Carver - Facebook

Getaway Motor Café – Facebook / Instagram

Strains of the Earth – 300 Broadway Street, Carver / Facebook

Mizzy's - website / Facebook



Picture: From...Facebook/Carver Life: Norbert Lucas

Funky Dove Boutique

Rebecca had sent message previously, saying, "Bonjour." Guess where she is? Was??? France. Paris? Can we all squeeze in her suitcase? Can you just imagine how much fun that would be? I can. Valcroissant, southern France she posted from, the Drome region, that's where she was. And still her thoughts are on the shop back home. Now that's dedication huh?

I believe though that our esteemed Rebecca has returned from Europe? Did you see the newest model at Funky Dove? Or maybe you saw Meggan Princess modeling the silky dress she purchased? All featured on Funky Dove's Facebook page. One never knows what you will encounter, or for that matter miss out on by not going into town and introducing yourself!! A whole new world awaits you when you walk through that door at The Funky Dove. Guaranteed! Your life will never be the same once Rebecca's charm has touched you. I dare you to prove this editor wrong. No, I double dare you.

PS: she will also take the time to tell you about the Scandinavian décor called Rosemaling and what that is all about too.

NewsFlash: Rebecca is pleased that the shop survived in her absence. Kind of a double edged sword there. Nice to get away but worry about the lifeline that keeps you traveling because of all the help and loyalty of family and friends, especially her mom, I think who always, always supports her daughter. Nice to have one of them handy, wouldn't you say? Not everyone is so fortunate, you know. Moving on.... Our esteemed artist had new earring cards for her designs created with the help of one of her friends abroad whom she visited. Can't wait to see them, can you? Designed in France, printed in Italy. How's that for elite and foot loose and fancy free? These cards will be representing her very own, "Fly Free Lee" jewelry creations. She had gemstone and fossil jewelry, in case you haven't noticed or been into her shop or any of her craft shows which she is preparing for with a new jewelry line.

She would also like for you to know that the shop has a new area and it's called, "Antique Corner." How fun huh? There are authentically older items "antiques" if you will have to know. There's Coca-Cola glasses, Rosendahl painted wood dish, coasters, Amish cup, and a lovely quilt to name a few. Come in and see what else the "Antique Corner" has to share with you. It's always nice to meet new customers, visit with prestigious dedicated and loyal customers.

Be sure to check her Facebook page for the hours and times of when she is open.

Carver General

Looking for that gotta' have item? Know where to start looking? Carver first off, then head on over on East Third Street, see the sign? "Carver General." Get out of the car and go inside you will have that 'Gotta' have' you have been looking for. If not, check next door at the Good Junk Garage and see what's in there? Lay you nine to ten odds that you will find that perfect, "Oh dad would love this." or "My husband won't believe what I found for him." Not shopping for the guys this round. Well, there's lots and lots of stuff for you too. However, you won't know if you don't get over there and look, now will you?

The ladies realize and know all too well just how gorgeous it is outside and how busy y'all are, but listen, take a minute for you and stop on by. Thursday through Saturday doors are open at 10 AM until 5 PM and again on Sunday, noon to 4 PM. They promise you won't be sorry.

Lots of fun yard and garden items, as well as their usual assortment of unique furniture and home décor. Let your imagination create. See y'all there.

Good Junk Garage: Be sure to check their Facebook page and stop by next door to the Carver General and see what you didn't know you had to have too. Tom is usually open the same time as Carver General except Sunday's he closes at 3 PM.

Getaway Motor Café

Did you get to see or even check out that conversion van settling over at Getaway Motor Café recently?

They hosted the first ever @littlecharitybook/truck event. Reference separate article in contents of this newsletter for information about the Little Charity Book. It's non-profit mobile bookstore. They are coming back in June, the 21st actually and I believe at 9 AM until noon. Stop on down if for no other reason, to check it out and get a pastry and a cup of their famous coffee blends.

Food trucks and music is already filling up on their calendar of events for June, actually all summer long if you look ahead. To see who is coming to Getaway Motor Café, visit their webpage: www.getawaymotorcafe.com or their Facebook page, or their Instagram page for all kinds of neat stuff and information.

You all have to know by now that they offer quality drinks, food, lodging and good times in historic downtown Carver. It's the place to be, I hear these days. Always something brewing there.

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Getaway Motor Café – Continued:

Haven't seen any announcements or they haven't disclosed yet what it is exactly that they have planned for Father's Day. But you can bet your bottom dollar it will be good. Isn't this Nate's first Father's Day holiday as a new dad?

Happy Father's Day! If you haven't been down and checked out Getaway Motor Café, get over there, you hear!

Caught an Instagram post: Prior to publication, Twin Cities Live was at the café! But I bet you already knew that, huh? You can just bet it was an exciting and thrilling day for anyone and everyone at the café! The airing of the event was said to be within a couple weeks. How cool is that huh? Where and how you can view this extraordinary thrill? Twin Cities Live airs on ABC. KSTP, WDIO in Duluth and KAAL-TV in Rochester. KSTP airs weekdays at 4:30 PM until 4:30 PM. You can stream it on line too at KSTP.com. There is also a Facebook page for Twin Cities Live.

Also, did you know that you can sign up to pick up fresh veggies at Getaway Motor Café? You can, they are from Little Big Sky Farm. You can sign up on the link on their Instagram account or 'direct message' Nate and Terah for details.

Mizzy's Pizza

And what do you suppose is going on in the western edges of downtown Carver over at Mizzy's Pizza? I do know that they are hiring for all positions for sixteen years old and up. Contact them and go to their website to apply: www.mizzyspizza.com which would be the best.

With their patio open for the summer, the music venue calendar is filling up. Go and check out who's playing along with all their sports fans broadcasts too!

Jeff and DeAnne say: "We've got all the games. We have the patio! We have games on the patio! Come in and join us!"

Believe they have happy hour too. We would you look at that? There certainly is. Happy Hour during all the Timberwolves games. Not really sure, not being a sports fan myself, when they are done playing for the season. However, the sports fans know and that's what counts.

They have monthly specials. Hours are: Monday through Thursday, 11 AM until 11 PM (no kitchen last hour); Friday and Saturday, 11 AM to 1 AM., (again, no kitchen the last hour); and finally on Sundays, 11 AM to 10 PM. Happy Hours are 3 PM to 5 PM daily and then again 9 PM until close. What? You aren't on your way there yet? What are you waiting for? There's a pizza calling your name.

PS: Did you now that they host private events and cater too? They do.



Carver Creamery

Back in downtown Carver. You have to now that the Carver Creamery is open for the season, right? How could you even miss it?

In May, their hours posted, (subjected to change by the way) were Monday through Friday open at 4 PM until 9 PM and then Saturday and Sunday from noon until 9 PM.

Remember due to publication times, these times could have changed. Check Facebook and/or Instagram for current up to date accurate times. What's important to know is that they are open seven days a week now! Even more time to get that ice cream fix huh? Think those are the summer hours? Stop in and ask.

Saw that they have featured seasonal flavor. It is (was ?) Peach. Fresh peach ice cream packed full with real peaches!!!! Looks like they are promoting weekend feature flavors too, along with all their regular flavors, I bet!

Prior to publication: Were you able to get downtown to the one and only ice cream shoppe in downtown Carver?

They were offering a new Vegan Flavor Strawberry Hibiscus Italian Ice Post read: "Love at first bite."

Be sure to check their Facebook page for all alerts, updates, latest flavors and any exciting news. They are also on Instagram.

Also another announcement that might catch your eye: Schep's Creamery posting official word is that they are open in Cologne thanks to Instagram posting. Hours: Friday 4 PM to 9 PM; Saturday and Sunday, 2 PM to 9 PM.

See y'all there! "Ice Cream, ice cream, I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream." That how it goes?

Got that stuck in your head for the day now. huh?

Strains of the Earth

Seed to Harvest is proud to announce that they are hosting classes to learn everything you need to know to cultivate your own crop in two hour comprehensive classes. Interested, stop in at Seed to Harvest and find out exactly when you can sign up for those classes. Classes are also held in Carver now. Don't miss out on the opportunity to check out their newest retail space and learn more new skills for the summer.



Ever heard of the GrillFest? Strains of the Earth announced this event and they have a booth at the event, inviting you to come and check it out and join them in kicking off the summer on Saturday, June 1st or Sunday, June 2nd. Come and enjoy unlimited food and drinks with a ticket. You'll receive, also a commemorative Strains of the Earth (SOTE) tasting glass with the purchase of a ticket. The event is to be held at the CHS Field in St Paul at 1 PM until 5 PM. It's their 12th Annual GrillFest, by the way. The proceeds raised at this event benefit the MN Health Fairview Masonic's Children's Hospital too! Now you can't beat that.

Another event that Strains of the Earth is giving a shout out too, is the MN Co-Op Get Together Event happening on Sunday, June 9th from 12 PM until 6 PM. The event is to be held at the Plymouth Community Center. So you ask, what is this all about? It is an event bringing together amazing local vendors, artists, Makers, Sellers Tables, Hobbyist Tables, activities, plant swap, raffles, Aquascaping, speakers, and Meet and Greets. You are invited to come and join int SOTE natural remedies and SOTE Seed to Harvest to the event of the season. Questions? Check with Strains of Earth is Jordan, Carver or at the Seeds to Harvest shop in Carver.

Be Silent:

Instagram Posting

Facebook Posting: David Wolfe

Seven Situations to stay silent at all costs:

Be silent if you don't know the full story.

Be silent when you feel too emotional.

Be silent in the heat of anger.

Be silent if your words can offend a person.

Be silent if you can't talk without yelling.

Be silent about your plans and goals.



Carver County Historical Society

CARVER COUNTY
historical society

Just a reminder: check and see if there is still spaces available if interested.

The Carver County Historical Society wants everyone to know that they are offering a kid's history camp again this year for kids, Kindergarten through 2nd Grade and will held in the afternoons beginning June 19th through the 21st.

The posting was on the Carver Life site/Facebook. Contact the county historical society for more information or to get registration details. The name of the camp, "Name of the Game Camp." County's historical site is 8060 State Highway 5, Andrew Peterson Farmstead. Near as this editor could surmise, it is not held in town of Waconia at their main site, but rather at the historic farmstead, added bonus. More to see.

States: "Games. Team game, solo games, card games, board games – the list is endless Games are one of the most popular recreational pastimes and have been throughout history." Their intent and their spin of previous camp is to explore old games, games from around the world and fun ways to get outside. They will learn games rules how to play and make versions to take home. Campers will be playing outdoor water games. Space is limited to ten kids.

Again, those dates are June 19th through the 21st beginning at noon until 4 PM. You can call with questions and ask for Jayna at 952442.4234.

Chaska Area Fishing With



Friends

Ever heard of this group? It's a non-profit organization providing education and meaningful fishing experiences and boat tours to the communities in the southwest metro area. They invite you to join them for fun fishing adventures or a leisurely pontoon cruise on the beautiful Lake Minnetonka.

Don't know how to fish? They said "No worries, our experienced volunteers can help!" There are two ways to learn more. www.cafwf.org or www.chaskafishingwithfriends.com for all kinds of more information.

Maybe too late as they said there was limited space, but maybe for next time or some other event? June 2nd, times vary it also stated, a clinic with fishing veterans listed as Family Fishing Academy where you will learn about different fish species, tying fishing knots, casting a lure and practicing your new skills at Fireman's Park in Chaska. Upon completing their learning stations, each registered child will receive a new rod and reel! You can register on line or maybe get more information on line.

Then there is the All-Ages Sunset Cruises to cruise around and enjoy a relaxing sunset on Lake Minnetonka. The trips depart from Howard's Point Marina at 6:30 PM and cruise the lake until 8 PM on a pontoon which is wheelchair accessible by the way. Their experienced boat Captain and First Mate are there to accompany you. Pre-registration is required though. Donations are appreciated too. The dates for those cruises are June 12th, the 19th and the 26th. July dates advertised were 10th, 17th and 24th. Neither of those months good, how about in August on the 14th, 21st or the 28th? Still not feasible, they have cruises scheduled for September as well on the 11th, 18th and 25th.

For more information, www.cafwf.org

How about in July requiring RSVP for Vets on the Lake, a Chaska Area Fishing with Friends celebration? This organization said, "We are honored to collaborate with the City of Chaska and City of Shorewood, as well as all our sponsors, to salute our local Veterans with our 2nd Annual Veterans Fishing Day! We will provide pontoon fishing, lunch, and a short program to honor our Veterans."

REGISTER BY July 3rd, 2024

"We look forward to showing our appreciation to our Veterans with pontoon fishing/cruising and outdoor grilled lunch. This event is open to the public and all are invited to attend. Please RSVP if you are a Veteran and plan to go on the pontoon boat to fish or cruise, or if you plan to join our celebration lunch." Flyer included on the back of the newsletter.

"Always remember, the goals that we have achieved pale in comparison to the daily commitments it took to get there."

~ Dabo Swinney

Carver Vehicle Fair

It's almost time for the Carver Vehicle Fair to happen on June 27th, Thursday starting at 6 PM until 8 PM. You are invited to come for an exhilarating adventure at the Vehicle Fair. Kids will be able to explore and climb aboard an array of heavy equipment vehicles, fire trucks, police cars and more! A bounce house has been ordered to add to the fun. Treats from food trucks will be on site. You need to attend to learn what other surprises that they might have in store for everyone. This is happening at the Carver Station in Carver.



Art on the Lake

You do know about Art on the Lake experience going on over in Excelsior right? In case you don't, here is the information. It is happening Saturday, June 8th and Sunday, June 9th. Show begins at 10 AM and closes at 6 PM. You can expect to find one hundred twenty plus artists to converge in Excelsior to showcase their creations. There will be live music, culinary delights, and personal narratives with a vibrant lakeside community. There's also an array of unique shops, galleries and eateries to divulge in, as well. This event is said to be an inspiring blend of art, community and entertainment featuring local musicians and regional food vendors throughout the two-day event. It is open to everyone and admission is free. You are reminded not to miss this unforgettable celebration of creativity and culture by the lake. Visit their website for more information. www.excelsiorlakeminnetonkachamber.com/artonthelake



SouthWest Metro Chamber

SouthWest Metro Chamber of Commerce is always looking for members and sponsors. Go to their web page for more information and also welcome to their newest Executive Director, Steve Curtis. Their website is chucked full of information for you from activities, signature events, other events, calendar of events, signature groups and local businesses to reference for whatever you might need. Not to mention the events that they sponsor or host. Can't forget about that important fact.

www.swmetrochamber.com or swmcc.org

Oh, and remember, July 3rd is their Business Expo!

Yellow Brick Comedy

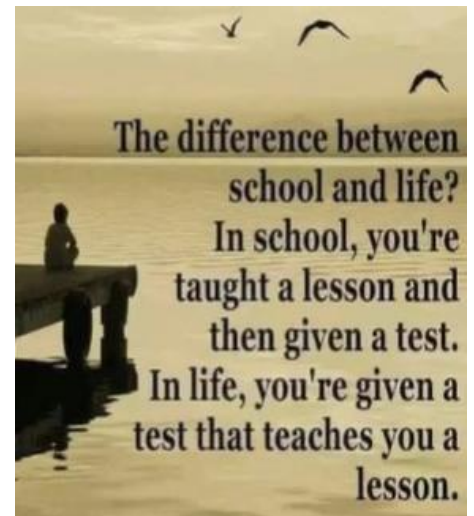
There has been a lot of buzz about this YellowBrick Comedy as of late. Time to formally introduce them and get people to check their webpage out.

www.yellowbrickcomedy.com

Says "located in Chaska MN and is dedicated to providing a quality stand-up comedy show for your venue or event. We are a comedy group in the southwest metro and we partner with other local groups, venues, nonprofits, comedians and producers. Word is that the Yellow Brick Comedy is off for the summer. They encourage you to visit their web page in the future to see what they have planned for fall of 2024. "In the meantime, over the next few months, if you need your comedy fix, check out the Funniest Person with a Day Job contest over at the House of Comedy. Many of the area's best up and coming comedians will be competing."



Where Laughter is No Joke



~ Tom Bodett
Instagram

Chaska Valley Family Theatre

It's almost time. The Addams Family production will be starting before you know it. Get your tickets? Got your tickets? Excited? They had early bird discounts on Facebook. Did you catch it? Check their web page for details, showtimes, upcoming news and tickets. Check Facebook too, always something exciting happening there too.

For anyone not familiar with the famous Addams Family:

SYNOPSIS

In the kooky, upside-down world of the Addams Family, to be sad is to be happy, to feel pain is to feel joy, and death and suffering are the stuff of their dreams. Nonetheless, this quirky family still has to deal with many of the same challenges faced by any other family, and the spookiest nightmare faced by every family creates the focus for Lippa, Brickman, and Elice's musical: the Addams kids are growing up. The Addamses have lived by their unique values for hundreds of years and Gomez and Morticia, the patriarch and matriarch of the clan, would be only too happy to continue living that way. Their dark, macabre, beloved daughter Wednesday, however, is now an eighteen year-old young woman who is ready for a life of her own. She has fallen in love with Lucas Beineke, a sweet, smart boy from a normal, respectable Ohio family — the most un-Addams sounding person one could be! And to make matters worse, she has invited the Beinekes to their home for dinner. In one fateful, hilarious night, secrets are disclosed, relationships are tested, and the Addams family must face up to the one horrible thing they've managed to avoid for generations: change.

The theatre also introduced a new summer opportunity for teens called, "Summer Teen Intensive." Sorry, registration closed presently, maybe next time? It's for teen aspiring actors to dive into creativity and performances. Students ages twelve through eighteen will sharpen their acting skills, learn the ropes of stagecraft and bring a show to life under the guidance of teaching artists. Teen Intensive will be performing Teen Intensives "Mean Girls Jr on August 5th – 10th."

The 2024 Dragonfly camp registration is closed. Both weeks are also sold out by the way. If you are interested though, you can email and be put on a wait list: CVFTmail@gmail.com or write on your calendar for next year?

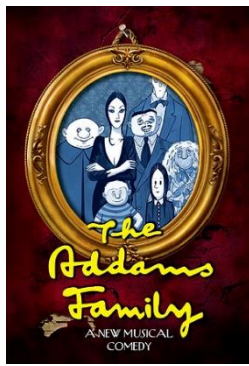
Adult Choir is underway. Check their web page for up to date information. Choir is designed for adult sixteen plus. They will be meeting at the CVFT Warehouse at 4280 Norex Drive in Chaska. Will they see you there ready to warble those vocal chords and be heard? The CVFT Tap Dance Class is sold out, as is the Musical Theatre Dance classes, also sold out.

Some other tidbits to check on: Chaska Valley Family Theatre the 2024 Christmas show will be "A Christmas Story". The production team and auditions will be announced later this summer. Something Rotten will be coming next spring to the theatre. Still another announcement heralded by the Head Cheese was that in the summer of 2025 the theatre group will be going under the sea with SpongeBob Square Pants Musical! Be sure to watch their web page and Facebook for updates, audition times and the production team! Need more information, questions, need more details? www.cvft.org

Victoria Classic Car

Nights

Victoria Classic Car Nights is gearing up for their 2024 summer season. The Victoria Business Association organizes this event. The dates are scheduled for the second and fourth Wednesdays beginning in June (12th and 26th), July (10th and 24th), and then in August (the 14th and 28th). Shows will begin at 5 PM until 8 PM with street food and live music. It's a free event and a walk down nostalgic lane with food, fun, music and wonderful memories for so many to relish walking and seeing these treasures.



Little Charity Book Truck

You know sometimes the internet is a lifesaver and a wealth of information for almost anything. Not only does this gem have a web page but they are on Instagram too.

That's what the @ is for, stupid, speaking of myself...hahaha

Their web page: www.littlecharitybook.org / also on Facebook, imagine that huh?

Facebook page titled "The Little Book Truck."

The Little Charity Book Truck is Minnesota's only non-profit mobile bookstore. It is powered by book-loving volunteers and donate every dollar made. By purchasing books from them, you give directly back to the communities you reside in. If you can and are interested in more information to support this, visit their donation page on their website.

Their story: "On the mend after years of dealing with health issues, Rachel Cleveland wanted to share her love of reading while giving back to her Twin Cities community. The idea for Little Charity Book Truck was born.

By not having a brick and mortar storefront, Little Charity Book Truck has very few administrative and overhead costs. Similarly, all individuals involved with the book truck are volunteers, so every dollar made through the purchase of new and used books goes directly back into the community. It's truly a passion project. Reading books while helping others, what could be better?"

This is what the internet's Co-Pilot had to say:

"Mission: Spreading a love of reading, one book at a time, to support youth-focused Minnesota charities in their goal of improving the lives of the people in their communities.

Vision: To ignite a passion for reading while lifting up Minnesota's youth in need.

Impact: At the end of each year, they update their giving report to reflect how much money has been donated and provide feedback from the organizations they support. Follow along on their social media pages for more frequent updates.

How to Support: You can find their book truck at festivals, farmers' markets, and community events throughout the Twin Cities and the metro area. Additionally, you can purchase books through their bookshop.org page where 30% of the proceeds go to Little Charity Book Truck."

So how can you find this little charity truck? Check their web site for not just more information but where they will be located: www.littlecharitybooktruck.org

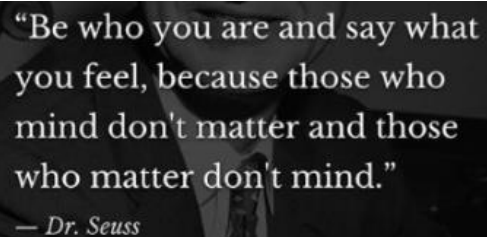
Upcoming closer sites to find and check out this unique idea the mobile book store will be at the Lake Minnetonka Excelsior Farmers Market on Thursday, June 6th from 2 PM till 6 PM. Or the Excelsior Art on the Lake on Saturday, June 8th at 10 AM until 6 PM or on Sunday the 9th at 10 AM until 4 PM Oh, would you look at that, they will be back at the Getaway Motor Café in Carver again on Friday, June 21st at 9 AM until noon. For even more locations, their website gives an entire run down. What a person doesn't learn huh?

Schram's Vineyards

Over in Waconia at Schram's Vineyards is said to be a "True Minnesota Wine and Beer Experience." There is music, yoga, tasting and other things of interest for you if you are so inclined to go check it out.



Their June highlighted event is on Sunday, Father's Day, June 16th with the fun starting at Noon until 5 PM. The web page says that the "ever-popular Highland Games returns to celebrate Father's Day with feats of strength at the vineyard!" They invite you to come to the vineyard for fun and games planned for the day. Along with food truck, "Perfect Pairings Kitchen" and SV Food Truck. Hearthside books is scheduled too. Need to RSVP. Check out their website for all the details of things happening there.



Schram Haus Brewery

Schram Haus Brewery celebrated their 5th Anniversary on May 18th with an all day and night Haus party. Were you there to help them celebrate?



Music, classes, trivia nights, food trucks, fundraisers, and workshops is what you can expect to find at the Schram's Haus Brewery. Check their events calendar for who, what, when, where. June 25th is a planned Blood Drive by Memorial Blood Centers at 2 PM.

You will find food, beers, events, beer clubs, tap room, patio, beer garden, assorted food trucks, indoor and outdoor games. Check it out. www.schramhausbrewery.com You can book private events too, did that get mentioned?

Last minute finds folks! Announcement was caught before it was too late. Social Sundays are back at the Haus! They said; "We've got our awesome bar, and now, Root Beer Floats for the kiddos using the super tasty @northern soda." Everyone is invited to bring their entire gang in. "Because nothing says "Family Fun" like kids on a sugar high and parents with a cold brew!"

Schram Haus Brewery also announced their Father's Day plans. They will be hosting an afternoon which will include great music, delicious beer, and tasty food. Perfect setting for all the dads out there. Right? Live music will be performed by the Tuxedo band in the Beer Garden. Craft beer and beverages will be available. Food truck has been scheduled. Taco Taco will be serving up eats along with the Haus kitchen which will also be open for business. They also said that you can't forget the classic Father's Day treat. So Root Beer Floats will also be on the itinerary for the day's festivities honoring all those dads out there. Last but not least, there will be fun for all. Make it a memorable day for dear old dad and come the Haus for the day to celebrate.

Arts Consortium

Don't miss out this important opportunity to show that everyone is welcome, appreciated and respected. There is no fee for submissions nor restrictions on medium or sizes. Go to their web page to submit your art. Submissions were due by May 24th for this event. For the next submissions check their web page..



Getting a head start before it's too late, the Art in the Park and CD Release Party deadline for submissions is in July. So visit their web page and do what you gotta' do to be on time. The Art in the Park is a collaboration between the City of Chaska and the Arts Consortium of Carver County. This popular event is held at the Firemen's Park. You will find artists booths lines along the walkways of the park. There are indoor vendors too. This event also celebrates the CD release of "the Songwriters and Musicians of Carver County" with live music on both days from 1 PM until 4 PM. Also food trucks and city concessions are available from 10 AM until 5 PM on both days too. The dates for the Arts in the Park are August 12th and 18th. Remember the application deadline is July 19th.

Don't forget about Artists Conversations held on third Monday of each month. For more information text Liya at 612-867-9278 or Abigail at 952-380-7924.

Share your expertise – teach a class. Contact the ACCC for more information on what to do to sign up or submit your ideas.

Can't forget Music – Songwriters: Songwriter or musician from Carver County who plays on original recording, the ACC are producing a compilation of original music and would like to include these artists on our 204 CD. For more information or to reply, info@artsofcarvercounty.org

In Literary news: Coming this summer: The ACCC Literary Committee will be sponsoring a July 2024 Flash Fiction event. Writers can submit one previously unpublished fiction story at an event open to the public. More information coming. Check their website for more information: www.artsofcarvercounty.org

Gallery hours are Wednesday and Thursday from 10 AM to 5 PM. Additionally, Thursdays too at 6 PM until 8 PM, Friday, and Saturday hours are 10 AM to 5 PM. Sundays you can visit them at 11 Am until 3 PM.

"Without deep reflection one knows from daily life that one exists for other people." ~ Albert Einstein

Community Highlights

June 2024

- June 2nd Happy Anniversary Kerry and Kathy!
- June 3rd Council Meeting
- June 4th Clover Ridge 5th Grade Graduation
- 2024 Opening Day – Carver's Farmers Market
- Last Day of School (K - 5th Grade)
- Tues – Senior Walk 9 AM
- June 5th 2024 Opening Day – Chaska's Farmers Market
- Happy Birthday Kim!
- June 6th Last Day of School (6 – 12th Grades)
- Integrated Arts Academy Graduation
- Happy Anniversary Jared and Amanda!
- June 7th Chaska/Chanhassen Graduation – Target Center
- Happy Birthday Scott!
- June 8th World Ocean's Day
- Happy Anniversary Chris and Joy!
- June 10th Dahlgren Township Board Meeting
- School Board Workshop
- Happy Birthday Matthew!
- June 11th Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting
- Coffee and Connect
- Happy Birthday Denny!
- Happy Birthday Jane!
- Happy Birthday Alexis!
- June 13th Flag Day
- June 14th Happy Anniversary Denny and Sharon!
- June 15th Father's Day
- June 16th Council Meeting
- June 17th Happy Anniversary Becky and Zim!
- June 18th Juneteenth Day
- June 19th Lions Meeting
- June 20th First Day of Summer
- June 21st Carver Business Alliance Meeting
- Happy Birthday Lucy!
- Happy Birthday Miley!
- June 22nd MN River Trip Canoe/Kayak
- Pride Picnic
- Happy Anniversary Paul and Kim!
- Happy Birthday Rob!
- June 23rd Happy Birthday Amanda!
- June 24th School Board Meeting
- Happy Birthday Greg!
- Coffee and Connect
- Happy Birthday Bradley!
- Happy Birthday Sandy!
- June 26th Happy 95th Birthday Aunt Beve!
- June 27th Carver Vehicle Fair
- June 30th Happy Birthday Yvonna!
- Happy Birthday James!
- Happy Anniversary Terry and Shirley!



"To All Dads"

"Happy Father's Day!"

Minnesota Landscape

Arboretum

The MN Landscape Arboretum would like you to know that if you are interested in visiting the prestigious gorgeous arboretum according to their web page, it is strongly encouraged to get advance tickets. www.arb.mn.edu



You are invited to come to the arboretum and see what is all blooming at this time of the year. Spring is one of their busiest times of the year, it was said. Did you know that the MN artist, Adam Thurman will be at the Arboretum presently until July 14th? Come and watch the beekeeper at work on Sunday, June 2nd from 10:30 AM until Noon.

Music in the Gardens is on their itinerary once again. Those dates are Thursday, June 6th at 6 PM to 7:30 PM; Sunday, June 9th, 1:30 PM to 3 PM; Sunday, June 16th, 1:30 PM to 3 PM; Thursday, June 20th, 6 PM – 7:30 PM; Saturday, June 22nd, 9 AM to 3:30 PM; Thursday, June 27th, 6 PM to 7:30 PM; and finally Sunday, June 30th at 1:30 PM until 3 PM. For the music performances, visit their web page.

Gala in the Gardens is back this year again on Thursday, June 13th starting at 6:30 PM. Oooops, said all “Sold Out”.

It's an annual fundraising event, maybe next year? A cocktail reception is planned, dinner El fresco, auction (live and silent), inspiring program to be emceed by Belinda Johnson who is Kare 11's Chief Meteorologist.

Firefly Viewing Night planned for Thursday, June 27th at 8:30 PM and again on Saturday, June 29th at 10:30 PM.

There's always Yoga events to join in on, of course. And lots of other things going on too. Check their webpage for what interests you and be sure to check it out, at least once. It certainly is an experience, to say the least.

Can't forget about Family Fun at the Farm now can we? That event is Saturday, June 24th starting at 10 AM until 4 PM. Come for family fun at the farm or the hands-on learning experience at the Arboretum's Red Barn. Meet MN food growers, taste plant-to-plate samples, explore the games and tour all the crops. Pre-register though!

Cars and Caves Car Shows

Know what kind of car this is pictured? The 2024 Cars and Caves Car Show season is in full swing in Chanhassen.



Doors officially opened kicking off this year's exhibits. 2024 season will be ongoing through September. They are hosted by Chanhassen AutoPlex and this is possible with the sponsor support. They are also featured on the website, Explore MN.

Their show criteria involves all collector, muscle, antique, street rod, exotic vehicles and vintage motorcycles. Show area includes 'Classic', cars manufactured between 1925 and 1948 in original or restored condition; 'Collector', cars that are at least 25 years old, have been restored or maintained in original conditions; 'Muscle', high-performance American-made produced between mid-1960s and early 1970s; 'Antique', cars at least 45 years old in original or restored condition; 'Street Rods', custom-built cars designed to resemble cars from 1930s and 1940s; and 'Exotic Vehicles', which are high-performance sports cars and luxury vehicles, typically rare and expensive. 'Vintage Motorcycles' classified as at least 35 years old in original or restored condition.

Show dates are listed but it should be noted that each month is a featured theme with the makes of featured vehicles in the center of the campus. New hours are established for 2024. Show times are 9 AM to 1 PM. In June it will be the Italian cars; Ferrari, Maserati, Fiat, Lambo and so on. July will feature American on the Saturday the 27th. The British, MG, Mini, Aston, Jag, McLaren will be presented August 31st. September 28th the German Audi, BMW, Mercedes, Porsche and VW.

Cars and Caves is also happy to announce that they are resuming their Weekday Wednesday Summer Nights shows from 5 PM to 8 PM on June 29th, July 17th and August 21st.

You can find these car enthusiasts over at 8150 Audubon Road in Chanhassen. Website: www.chanhassenautoplex.com

“Peace is a daily, a weekly, a monthly process, gradually changing opinions, slowly eroding old barriers, quietly building new structures.”
~John F. Kennedy

City of Carver Announcements

Jonathan Carver Parkway Prairie and Wildflower Planting Areas

In connection with its planned expansion from two lanes to four lanes in 2021, a group of community members gathered in 2019 to create a streetscape vision for the Jonathan Carver Parkway corridor. This design work led to the incorporation of prairie and wildflower planting areas throughout the new corridor. A departure from a traditional manicured lawn, maintenance standards for prairie and wildflower areas call for one seasonal mow this year, creating the best environment for these areas to grow and thrive.

City Hall Seasonal Hours Started. Tuesday, May 28

City Hall will be open one hour earlier at 7 AM until 4:30 PM Monday through Thursday, closing on Fridays at 11 AM. If the opportunity to connect before work still doesn't fit your schedule, the City has plenty of online resources to meet your needs...pay your utility bill, submit a concern, or watch a City Council meeting, all via the City's website.

The City of Carver is now hiring and Administrative Assistant, Part-Time.

Some of the job descriptions includes providing customer service and administrative support for all city departments. Also duties would include answering incoming calls, front counter assistance, processing facility reservations, schedule inspections, etc. Position would be for 20 hours per week. Hours would be generally from 8 AM until 1 PM four days per week. Applications due Monday, June 17th. Applicants required to submit cover letter, resume and a city's employment application. Completed documents can be emailed to Brenda at bgood@cityofcarver.com or mailed to City of Carver, PO Box # 147, Carver MN, 55315.

For more information and application materials: visit www.cityofcarver.com/jobs.

The Metropolitan Mosquito Control District provides mosquito control services to all cities in the counties of Carver (including the City of Carver), Hennepin, Ramsy, Anoka, Washington and Scott. If you would like to submit a tip on high mosquito annoyance, tick questions or concerns, and more to the MMCD, please visit their web page: www.mmcd.org/control

Belle Plaine Historical Society

Posted on Facebook was this article or information about the Belle Plain Historical Society that sharing was deemed necessary. Recently, like the middle of May the Red Barn Museum and Historical HBH House opened for monthly tours from 1 PM to 3 PM. Post also stated that the Newly renovated Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration located on North Walnut Street (Highway 25) with tours of all three locations. Monthly tours will be held on the third Sunday of the months.

With further research, was able to find that there is also a two-story outhouse. HBH House stands for Hooper Bowler Hillstrom House built in 1871 located at 410 Cedar Street West in Belle Plaine. The tours will also be open from May through October.

There is no charge but a Good Will donation accepted.



Trinity Lutheran Church

Submitted by: Trinity Lutheran Church
Everyone is welcome at Trinity Lutheran Church! Please join us for our Summer Worship Services at 9 AM. every Sunday morning.

Upcoming special dates at Trinity:

Four students will renew their baptismal vows in the Rite of Confirmation during our worship service on Sunday, June 9th at 9 AM Please join us as we encourage them in their continued faith journeys. Sunday, June 16, celebrate Father's Day with us as we worship together.

See what's happening in our church on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/TrinityLutheranChurchCarver> or listen to audio recordings of our sermons online at trinitycarver.com.

Pastor Jander would enjoy meeting you. Please feel free to contact us anytime:

Office: Trinity Lutheran Church, 417 Oak Street, Carver

Phone: 952-448-3628

Email: office@trinitycarver.com



Chaska Historical Society



The Chaska Historical Society extends to all of you, your very own personal invitation to come and join our reenactors for their morning and afternoon "Graveside Tales" at the Mt Pleasant Cemetery in Chaska. There is a morning tour at 10:15 AM until noon, and an afternoon tour scheduled at 1:15 PM until 3 PM. Did I hear you ask when? Saturday, June 29th is the answer. Where you ask? That response is the Mt Pleasant Cemetery with a physical address of 701 - 789 North Chestnut Street which is north of Chaska Boulevard on formerly known as Hwy #41 or Chestnut Street, going uphill. And what is all the fuss about you ask? Well let's have the historical staff just tell you.

"Cemetery Stories: Wandering through Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, it's hard not to wonder about those who are buried here. Every dearly departed has a story and so many of them are from a time and culture vastly different from our own. Would you like to hear and see these folks tell their stories? The Chaska History Center is sponsoring a new historical tour performed by reenactors from the Living History Society.

For adults only (18+), please no children. This tour includes navigating hills and uneven ground.

At the Chaska History Center, we chose five residents of Mt. Pleasant, researched them and wrote a narrative of their life. The events are factual and historical, but the narratives are our words, doing our best to bring their thoughts to life.

The site of Mt. Pleasant cemetery, referred to as "the old burying ground", apparently was a burial spot before the cemetery association was formed. The association was formed in 1863. It was acquired by the city in 1874. Come and hear about Lucius Howe: the Vermont brick maker; Nellie Baxter: Successful store owner; Emeline Noble Lee: Teacher; and William Spoerner: WWII pilot; or Katherina Greiner: Hotel owner."

An experience you don't want to miss, I guarantee you! For more information on the Chaska Historical site, visit their webpage: www.chaskahistory.org

Enki Brewing Taproom

You do know about the Enki Brewing Taproom right?

Website: www.enkibrewing.com

1495 Steiger Lake, Victoria MN 55386 on the shores of Steiger Lake

Their hours of operation: Wednesdays 4 PM to 9 PM; Thursdays and Fridays, 4 PM to 10 PM; Saturdays, Noon till 10 PM; and finally, Sundays, Noon to 7 PM

Did you also know that they host a Farmers' Market all summer long? Sure you did, didn't you?

Well in case you didn't, here you go: Starting Thursday, June 27th will be their first market and they will carry through until September 5th, also a Thursday. Gates, per say, open at 3 PM and close at 6PM in the south Enki parking lot, right next to the beer shack. Vendors can sign up on their website.

There are also events that occur at the brewing taproom. Did you know that? They have (had ?) Taproom Trivia Thursdays and Fusion Fridays. On Sunday, June 9th is a Kids Concert starting at 11 AM until 12 PM with Gigi the Ukulady. They invite you join them for a family friendly concert with Gigi who will everyone singing and dancing.

Tickets are required guys. There will be food specials and kid friendly beverages for purchase. It's outdoors unless weather prevents, then it will be moved indoors.

Then on Saturday, June 15th is Enkifest AI: their 11th Anniversary Party. (That I had no idea, celebrating eleven years! Congratulations!) So, what's going on for their party? They said:

"Another year in! We've said it before and we'll say it again, time flies when you're having fun! Join us Saturday, June 15, all day long, as we celebrate 11 years of crafting beer at ENKI Brewing. We're tapping a special, 11th anniversary brew; more details on this new draft later. Plus, we'll have a bunch of craft beer fusions, some tried and true favorites and some never-before released; -festival grilled foods; yard games; and the (FREE) live music of [Gigi the Ukulady](#) (3-5 PM) and [GROE](#) (6-9 PM) outdoors!"



"Leadership and learning are indispensable to each other."

~ John F. Kennedy



West Union Lutheran Church

Hey, interested in signing up the kiddos for Vacation Bible School classes? All are welcome to participate in West Union Lutheran Churches VBS which will be held on Monday, July 22nd from 9 AM until 4 PM.

East Union Lutheran Church

What's happening at East Union Lutheran Church? Don't forget to mark your calendars for their Ice Cream Social coming up in July.



In the meantime, their Vacation Bible School will be held July 22nd through the 25th, Monday to Thursday from 9 AM until 3 PM for youngsters Grades Kindergarten through 5th Grade. No registration fee required, forms are available at www.eulc.org and they ask that you return them to the church office by July 1st. Space is limited, so be sure to register soon!

Also, if you are interested the congregation is holding "School Supply Give and Take Event"! They are hosting "Back-to School Give and Take event from 8 AM until noon on Saturday, July 27th. Ne school supplies will be available for folks in the community who heed to start the school year off well! For more information check their web site. Just betcha donations are welcome for the event to be held too.

Stick's Tavern



What do you suppose the staff at Stick's Tavern is planning for Father's Day? No, peek preview yet. Bet it will be something good? Where will you find this fun and good food again you ask? 6940 Dahlgren Road, Chaska at the Dahlgren Golf Course Clubhouse inside. They are on line and have a Facebook page too for up to date, accurate information. Don't forget if you are interested, Tuesday Trivia and Wednesday Bingo.

Eastern Carver County Schools

Eastern Carver County School's School Board named Dr Erin Rathke as the next ECCS Superintendent effective July 1st, 2024. Congratulations Dr Erin Rathke.



"This is an important moment for our district," Board Chair Jenny Stone said. "Our strategic plan and roadmap for the district lay a clear path forward and we knew we needed a strong leader to carry that work into the future. In Dr. Rathke, we have found a truly outstanding leader with the skills and experience to deliver the excellence our community and staff expect. She has demonstrated that she is ready to hit the ground running, has the complete skill set we were seeking, and we are excited for the positive impact her leadership will have for our students, staff, and community."

"Dr. Erin Rathke was named interim superintendent as the search process for the district's next superintendent began." "Board members discussed the importance of conducting a search and said the competitive selection process gave the board assurance that Dr. Rathke, without a doubt, is the best possible person to lead Eastern Carver County Schools."

To again recap, the last day of school for ECCS district is K-5th Grade will be Tuesday, June 4th For Grades 6 through 12, the last day is Thursday, June 6th. Also happening on Thursday the 6th is that the Integrated Arts Academy will be holding their Graduation ceremonies. Congratulations kids! Clover Ridge Fifth Graders will be participating in their very own Graduation ceremony on Monday, June 3rd at 12 PM until 1 PM. Congratulations to those youngsters. The Seniors at both, Chaska and Chanhassen will be holding their Graduation Ceremonies at the Target Center on Friday the 7th of June at 7 PM. Congratulations to all the seniors!

"It is not in the stars to hold our destiny but in ourselves"

~William Shakespeare

Carver County Parks

Carver County presents their annual special events with more information on their webpage. www.carvercountymn.gov/departments/public-works/parks-recreation



It's much easier to 'google' carver county parks and go from there to find what you are after which at this point Day Camps. Registration recently opened for summer day camps. If interested, be sure to check and get registered.

The summer guide can be downloaded for the summer activities in the Carver County Parks. Lots of events for families and kids. Check it out. In July is the Mud Fun Run planned. Parks in the county involved in all the fun include Lake Waconia Regional Park, Wasserman Lake Preserve, Lake Minnewashta Regional Park, Veterans Park/Chaska, and Baylor Regional Park.

Three Rivers Parks

www.threeriversparks.org/page/summercamps



The Three Rivers Parks offer an extensive list of events for the 2024 summer. The list is too long and too many to share them all. The parks list include the following: Baer park Reserve, Baker Outdoor Learning Center, Bryant Lake Regional Park, Carver Park Reserve, Learning Nature Center, Cedar Lake Farm Regional Park, Cleary Lake Regional Park, Crow-Hassen Park Reserve, Elm Creek Park Reserve, Eastman Nature Center, Fish Lake Regional Park, French Regional Park, Gale Woods Farm, Hyland Lake Park Reserve, Richardson Nature Center, Highland Hills Skie Area Lake Minnetonka Regional Park Lake Revecca Park Reserve, Mississippi Gateway Regional Park, Murphy Hanrehan Park Reserve, Noerenberg Gardens, Silverwood Park, Sochacki Park, Spring Lake Regional Park, and finally, The Landing.

But you didn't know that there was this many parks in the Three Rivers district did you? They have lots of events planned. Check them all out and see if there is any you are interested in at www.threeriversparks.org/events

There is so many to choose from, can't participate in all of them, maybe you can?

Also remember, a camp brochure is offered for more detailed information. There is financial assistance too everyone for scholarships for program fees and discounts for those qualified. There is inclusion and program support with qualified staff.

Chaska Parks and Recreation

Scholarship Program

Hey everyone don't forget about the Scholarship Program at the Chaska Park and Recreation Department for the programs at the Chaska Community Center. It is available for Chaska and Carver residents. The program supports individuals in their participation in the programs and services promoting overall health and wellness. Go the Chaska Parks and Recreation website for more information and to sign up or even to donate. This program honors Nick Mason. For up to date information visit: Facebook: @chaskaparkandrec; Instagram: @chaskaparkandrec; or their web page: [www.chaskaparkandrec.com](http://www.chaskaparksandrec.com)



Father's Day Canoe / Kayak

Ken shared on Facebook/Carver Life site:

"Here is your opportunity to explore an underutilized treasure right here in Carver! On this stretch of the Minnesota River you will marvel at how much it feels like you are hundreds of miles from civilization. After the trip, you can walk to downtown Carver for coffee, lunch, beer and shopping."

Everyone is invited to join in on the Carver-On-The-Minnesota's 2024 Canoe/Kayak Trip on June 22nd Annual Minnesota River Trip. It's a free event, but donations are always very much appreciated. Come joint them on their three to four hour canoe trip on the historic Minnesota River between the Jordan boat landing and Carver's Riverside Park. (see flyer at the back of the newspaper) The purpose of the event is to help people experience the natural beauty of the MN River and to connect with the history of the Carver area. The trip begins, Saturday, June 22nd at 10 AM and ends at approximately 1 PM. Rain or shine, the trip will go on. However, in the event of dangerous weather, the event would be postponed to the 29th or river conditions. For more information, contact the group by June 15th.



Host Families for Exchange Students



Become a host family? There were two postings on Facebook/Carver Life for young students looking for host families.

The first organization was www.becomeahostfamily.com for a young woman named Elysse from New Zealand. "Currently looking to find a home for next school year! She will arrive at the end of August and only be here for five months. She will be sixteen and is in 11th Grade. If you have ever thought about hosting a foreign exchange student, now is the time!"

Find out more about hosting at their web page given above. Find out for yourself what a learning experience it could be for both you, your family and the exchange student!

The second posting on Facebook/Carver Life was for www.nacelopendoor.org organization.

"Extraordinary experiences. Lasting friendships. Moments that can your life. Discover a world outside your own with Nacel Open Door (NOD) Student Exchange program!"

There are some terrific exchange students needing host families. Families are asked to consider this tremendous opportunity to connect with international students. A list of students was posted if you are interested in learning more. Not sure, the Carver Lions have families who have done this. Ask one of them about their experiences.

Still another foreign exchange student seeking host family is Sergio from Spain. There are also other students too.

Looking for more information? Contact k.merkling@ie-usa.org with International Experience. Website: www.ie-usa.org.

Carver's Farmers' Market

Last but not least by any means, Carver's very own Farmers' Market is back with their opening day being Tuesday, June 4th at 3 PM until 6 PM. It will take place up at the Carver Station on Hartwell Drive in Carver. (of course)

The event is Tuesday's, starting June 4th throughout the summer into September with October 1st as their final day.

The Carver Farmers' Market Facebook page spotlighted a new event this year as the Victoria Volksfest Market proudly announces that SouthWest Metro Chamber is hosting this event. (Separate article in the contents of this newsletter, by the way.)

Another spotlighted shout out is to "Yummies" who is "rolling with flavors"! Their specialties include egg rolls, mango rice, bahn mi sandwiches and more. Still another new vendor spotlighted this 2024 season would be 'Clover Lane Bread Co' which is "a sourdough micro-bakery driven by quality and community" the post reads. Going on to say, "They bake naturally leavened bread modeled on old-world techniques. Each loaf ferments over twenty-four hours for easier digestion and increased nutrient absorption. Stop by this summer for artisan bread and other classic baked goods."

Carrie Pauly Designs/Bear Country Booms is returning to the market. She raises a variety of beautiful flowers and artfully arranges these blooms into amazing bouquets! The post said. "She grows organic vegies in home garden. Also she creates organic sweets and savories including breads, cookies, rice crispy treats, fruit jams, and salsas. The last posting found was another new vendor shoutout to Bickersstaff Bees LLC. A family-owned business raising healthy honeybees and producing honey. Post read, "It's raw, unfiltered, and selectively collected between flower blooms to get the unique flavors of different kinds of honey! They also sell pollen, honeycomb, beeswax candles, soap and lip balm." Of course, if you have been up the Carver Station in the past, you know there are all kinds of goodies to be found.

From vegetables, cheese, eggs, cookies, snacks to crafts. See you on Tuesday, June 4th at 3 PM. Welcome back to all our return vendors, new vendors and guests! Start the 2024 Farmers' Market with a bang.

Oh, before it's forgotten, need more information, contact market-manager@swmetrochamber.com

PS: Chaska's Farmers' Market, opens Wednesday, June 5th.

"The only difference between the saint and the sinner is that every saint has a past, and every sinner has a future."
~ Oscar Wilde



Gossip - Not Gossip

Hocus Pocus and Wendy Wind ran away from home this month. So much for that idea huh? Actually before the two ladies ran, they did tell the editor about the Free Pop-up market that was posted on both, the school's website on line and on Facebook. Flyer is in the back of the newsletter for more information.

Oh yea, Wendy Wind also sent her condolences to Denise, Ben and Eileen on the loss of their son, grandson tragically. Denise and Wendy Wind go back a long, long ways. She used to babysit for Wendy Wind many moons ago. Ben and Eileen are friends through a former acquaintance too. So all of our hearts go out to the family on this horrible loss.

Tri-county A.B.A.T.E. Motorcycle club for any of you motorcycle enthusiasts are holding their 6th Annual Fun Run Membership and Campout in Litchfield, Saturday, June 22nd with kickstands up at noon If you are interested. Should be able to find more information on their Facebook page, MN Tri-County A.B.A.T.E.

Don't forget in August at the Hazeltine National Golf Club will the 124th US Amateur Championship. Tickets on sale at Hazeltine.

Have you heard? There's a Pride Picnic to be held Saturday, June 22nd starting at 3 PM and ending at 6 PM at the Veteran's Park in Chaska. The event is organized by the Chaska Human Rights Commission and supported by Chaska Parks and Recreation, ISD # 112 Gender and Sexuality Alliance Club. This celebration promises a day filled with joy, community and inclusivity. For more information visit www.chaskamn.gov/131/Human-Rights-Commission.

Did you know? June 5th is Hot Air Balloon Day? Or National Start Over Day? Apparently, according to the internet, notable calendar events, it is. How about and there were so many more, these were the ones that caught this editor's attention. Here's another, June 7th National Chocolate Ice Cream Day and National Doughnut Day. (You can even celebrate both of these days in Carver at the Carver Creamery and the Getaway Motor Café.) It's also World Caring Day, if you are interested. Who has time to dream all these up anyway? June 8th, National Best Friends Day, Dragonfly Day, Rose Day and World Brain Tumor Day, Doll Day, Gin Day and let's not forget Worldwide Knit in Public Day. (?) There's World Softball Day, Bourbon Day, Elder Abuse Awareness Day, Call your Doctor Day, Fudge Day, Take your Cat to Work Day, and Picnic Day. Oh, here's one: Garfield the Cat Day, Selfie Day, let's not forget, Take your Dog to Work Day. Bored? Looking for a lighthearted picker, check on line and see all the goofy stuff celebrated and way too many to list. It's plain nutso. Just couldn't resist sharing this with y'all, even if no one is really interested.

Here's a *NewsFlash* for future reference: "Just an Early Birds Heads Up": Some upcoming summer events include July's "Ice Cream Social" on the 21st to be exact at the East Union Lutheran Church.

The Arts Consortium organization's Artstock happens in July. Fire and Ice event will happen July 12th and 13th at the Fireman's Park in Chaska. Bark in the Park also takes place in July. Can't forget the eventful Chaska River City Days slated for July 26th.

Also some June highlights you might be interested in. June 21st in Waconia has a celebration planned called Paradise Beach Bash. Carver County Parks has partnered with the Waconia Chamber of Commerce for the event planned from 3 PM until 10:30 PM. Free admission to access to Kids Dance DJ, live music by Ragtown, yard games and smore's. There is more fun planned too, go to the county's web page to get an activity pass (\$10) for more fun and adventure and for more information on this event and more.

Car enthusiasts, head on over to Hugo to the Blacksmith's Lounge and Broaster for their "Back to the 80's Car Show" on June 8th from 10 AM until 3 PM (plus more fun, good food, good service and a deliberate shout out to my cousin.) It's a big deal, trust me.

You have heard about the PLANT SALE that will be taking place over at the Chaska VFW parking lot right? re If you didn't, here is the information. The Carver Country Horticultural Society Garden Club is hosting a Plant Sale on Saturday, June 1st starting at 9 AM until Noon.

So far, only reference made to the Carver Concert Series was posted on Carver Life/Facebook page. The event is scheduled for Thursday, August 8th starting at 6 PM until 7 PM at Ironwood Park (1803 Ironwood Drive, Carver.)

The Carver Concert Series is proud to present: The Sticks and Tones Band who will be performing for you. So bring your friends, family and don't forget your lawn chairs to come and enjoy some free entertainment. Brought to you by compliments of Leah by the way! Thanks Leah!

Harvey's Bar and Grill wants you to know that their Monday of Summer Trivia has begun for the 2024 summer season. You are encouraged to put your team together, come and enjoy new summer cocktails and have some fun at Harvey's. Each Monday night, the top team will be awarded a gift certificate. Summer end the team with the most points accumulated will win a Prize Basket. Talk about incentive. So get those teams together and get on down to Harvey's on Monday evenings. Rules were posted on Facebook, by the way.

Were you aware that on May 25th it was National Wine Day? Did you have any idea? I know, who cares?

There seems to be three pesky bears, small, medium and large copper two toned bear who are terrorizing the garbage cans, bird feeders, bird baths and owner at an undisclosed location out in the woods. They sure are cute but pesky sons of a guns wreaking havoc. Just like those darn furry trash bandits. So lock up your trash cans, bring in the feeders and hope for the best.

You did hear about the PRCA [Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association] Rodeo at the Carver County fairgrounds? Right? In case you didn't, here's the scoop. Friday, June 7th and Saturday, June 8th at the Waconia (Carver County) Fairgrounds at 7 PM each night (purchase tickets on line.) Extreme Events MN will present a professional rodeo with bucking bulls and horses, cowboys and cowgirls, bull soccer and pony rides.

Extreme events Waconia rodeo (www.rodeoticket.com/rodeos/waconia) Event information through Carver Macaroni Kids by the way. Did we also mention beverages and food vendors on site? Or that on the 8th and 9th of June there's also a Pancake Breakfast each day beginning at 8 AM until 9:50 AM? Or even that on Sunday, June 9th a Cowboy Church service at 10 AM? There is and going to be. Event is for all ages by the way too.

You can also sign up at Eden Prairie/Carver Macaroni Kids to get an event calendar of your very own for Carver County and Eden Prairie events. (www.carvermacaronikid.com) They attempt to give accurate information, as much as humanly possible anyway, but be advised that the event and venue information is subject to change without notice.

So in light of that, there was still another June event announced. Ever heard of Summerfest @ The Forge? (Chaska at 230 Pioneer Trail) This event is happening on June 9th, Sunday starting at 11 AM until 7 PM. So what is this, you ask? Well, let's dive in and find out, shall we? Invited to come and celebrate the start of summer, first off. There will be indoor craft/cart market, food truck, yard games, kids activities, face painting, bounce house and more. Most activities are free..

Think that is all this editor could find up to this point readying for publication. Oh, you may, however, wonder what the Forge is. ? It's a Game Store open 10 AM to 10 PM, seven days a week. Google them, See what you learn.

Here's some NOT Gossip: Recently announced, Fleet Farm's Garden Center has officially opened for the 2024 season. You're encouraged, strongly, to come to check out the hundreds of varieties of seeds and plants available, as well as their mulch and soil. Hurry!



Also, NOT Gossip: Posted on Facebook, Chaska Laundry seeking part-time help. Help is wanted. www.chaskalundry.com

Another not gossip item to share that is historically important: So sad to have read in the Pioneer Press recently that Gary and Sandy had also closed the St Paul Cooper's store. The last of the five generation Cooper family's legacy came to a close. Did you know or even realize that the Chaska Cooper's was 107 years old? Happy Retirement to you both, Gary and Sandy! You earned it. Jake and Lil would have been proud!

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AUGUST 14
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BAND

AUGUST 21
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Join Carver on the Minnesota for our 2024 canoe/kayak trip

**This is a great opportunity for first time
river adventurers!**

Carver on the Minnesota is hosting our 12th annual Minnesota River trip. This is a FREE event, but donations are always very much appreciated.

Join us for a 3-4 hour canoe trip on the historic Minnesota River between the Jordan boat landing and Carver's Riverside Park.

Use your own equipment or contact us for availability of rental equipment.

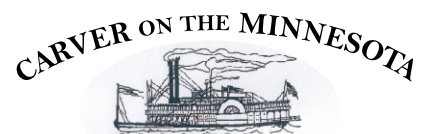
Carver on the Minnesota will help shuttle paddlers between boat landings.

The purpose of this event is to help people experience the natural beauty of the Minnesota river and to connect with the history of the Carver area.

The trip will take place Saturday, June 22nd, beginning at 10am, and ending at approximately 1pm. The event will take place rain or shine, but would be postponed to the 29th for dangerous weather or river conditions.

For more information and to make reservations, contact us by 6/15/24.

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CARVER VEHICLE FAIR

Thursday, June 27

6:00-8:00pm

Carver Station, Carver

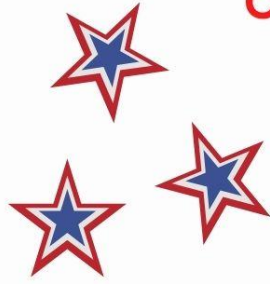
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