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CITY TO HOST RIVER CITY DAYS BOOTH

As a reminder, the annual Chaska River City Days celebration is being held this weekend. As part of the celebration, the City of Chaska will once again be hosting an informational booth, to be located on the northwest quadrant of City Square Park. Residents will be able to meet the Mayor, Council, and City Staff and have their questions answered.

People will also be encouraged to sign up for the City Facebook page. One of the communication activities the City is focusing on is the utilization of Facebook to get up to date information out to residents on a regular basis. A computer will be set up to allow residents to register on site. Anyone who signs up for Facebook at the booth will be eligible for drawings to win golf passes at the Town Course or Par 30. Informational brochures will also be available to help residents set up a Facebook account from home. The booth will be open from 5:00 to 9:00 pm on Friday night, and from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm on Saturday.

For more information about the River City Days activities or a schedule of events, go to www.chaskarivercitydays.com. The City of Chaska would like to thank the members of the River Days Committee and Chairperson Tim Sebenaler for all the hard work and dedication they put in to make this such a great community event each year.



RAILROADROAD TRACKS REMOVED

Residents may have noticed that the Union Pacific railroad tracks running through downtown Chaska have been removed by the railroad company. This activity is occurring due to the abandonment of the railroad spur following the collapse of the bridge south of Carver. Union Pacific decided to abandon the rail spur after the bridge collapse. It was not cost effective for them to reconstruct the bridge, since the only remaining user of the rail line was United Crystal Sugar on the east end of Chaska.

As part of the abandonment process, the Carver County and Scott County Regional Rail Authorities are going through the process of purchasing the railroad right-of-way from Union Pacific. This process is expected to be completed within the next few months and will allow the Regional Rail Authority to control the corridor through the Federal Rails to Trails Program for future use of utility corridors and a trail connection between Chaska and Carver.



As part of these activities, Carver County has also submitted a grant to the Met Council to support not only the acquisition of the abandoned rail line, but also the construction of a formal trail connection between downtown Carver and Chaska's levee trail system adjacent to Athletic Park. If funds are obtained, it is hoped that within the next two to three years a formal trail connection could occur. Until that time, residents will notice that the railroad ties and rails through Chaska have been dismantled and recycled.

Questions about the project may be directed to the Chaska City Engineer at 952-448-9200.

UPDATE ON THE 2011 OVERLAY PROGRAM

As we advised residents in the newsletter last week, Chaska Public Works crews have been working in various neighborhoods to raise manholes and do patchwork on residential streets. This work is being done in preparation of the City's 2011

Overlay Program. Besides the large amount of work to be done in the Scenic View and Park View neighborhoods, the City will also be completing the overlay of a small section of White Oak Drive, south of Engler Boulevard, as well as the remaining section of the North Meadows neighborhood not completed last year.



The City will be sending out notices to the affected neighborhoods as soon as the exact date of work is known. Until that time, minor work will be occurring to prepare for the major overlay project. Residents should know that every attempt will be made to cause as little disruption as possible during the overlay project, with as many access points kept open as possible during the process.

Questions about the projects may be directed to the City Administrator at 952-448-9200.

Chaska City Council Meeting
Monday, August 1, 2011
7:00 pm
Chaska City Hall

Go to: www.chaskamn.com for the complete agenda.

DON'T FORGET!

It's not too late to notify the Chaska Police Department of your "National Night Out" neighborhood party on Tuesday, August 2nd between 5:00 and 10:00 pm. Contact: Officer Janke at 952-448-4200 or e-mail: jjanke@chaskamn.com if you are interested in having your neighborhood participate. ***Special this year*** *If you live in the Jonathan Association they will pay up to \$100 toward supplies to host a National Night Out party in your neighborhood. Please contact them at 952-448-4700 for more information.*



**COMMUNITY
CENTER ACTIVITIES**

SUMMER TYKE HIKES

Ages 3 and 4



Get ready to explore the great outdoors and discover nature's treasures in this exciting three-day camp for preschoolers. Campers will hike a nearby trail and observe first hand Mother Nature's handiwork. Plants, animals, bugs and more will all be part of our exciting adventure! Crafts, projects, stories, and songs will also be a part of the fun. Snack provided. Please bring a water bottle. Maximum: 16.

Dates: August 1-3
Times: 9:30-11:00 am
Place: CCC Dry Craft Room
Cost: \$40 Member
\$52 Non-Member

CHILDREN'S CONCERT

Mary Hall's Show For Pipsqueeks
Tuesday, August 2, 10:30 a.m.
Lions Park
(1300 Crosstown Boulevard)

All concerts are sponsored by the City of Chaska Parks and Recreation Department. Concerts are free and open to the public. Bring a blanket or chair and join us. For rainout information please call (952) 448-5633 ext. 4 or consult local cable Channel 14. If raining, Kid's Concerts will be hosted at the CCC.

CONCERT IN THE PARK

August 5
Bavarian Musikmeisters (Germanic)

This concert sponsored by the City of Chaska Parks and Recreation Department and is free and open to the public. Concerts begin at 7:00 pm in City Square Park Gazebo, unless otherwise noted. For rain out information call (952) 448-5633 ext. 4 after 4:30 p.m. or consult cable Channel 14.



Chaska Trivia

Do you know who all the Mayors of Chaska were? The following is a list.

Ernst Besemann	1891-1893
Fred Greiner Jr.	1893-1899
George DuToit	1899-1903
Phillip Riedele	1903-1907
C. H. Gibson	1907-1911
Fred DuToit	1911-1915
C. H. Gibson	1915-1919
Peter H. Simons	1919-1923
William Oberstein	1923-1925
John E. Smith	1925-1927
Oscar H. Eltis	1927-1929
John E. Smith`	1929-1931
Frank Ess	1931-1935
W. A. Kroonblaud	1935-1941
Dr. L. A. Hartmen	1941-1951
F. P. Eder	1951-1961
Frank Hensel	1961-1963
J. W. Brose	1963-1965
Frank Hensel	1965-1968
Dr. Edgar Ziegler	1968-1975
Leon Schmidt	1975-1978
Tracy Swanson	1979-1984
Robert Roepke	1985-2002
Gary Van Eyll	2003-2009
Mark Windschitl	2010 to Present