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CHASKA TOWN COURSE OPENED TODAY

After a long and difficult winter, golfers finally have the opportunity to get out on the course. The Chaska Town Course officially opened today! The Chaska Par 30 opened over the weekend. Residents are encouraged to go online at



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Please remember to use the credit line above.

www.chaskatowncourse.com or call the Pro Shop at 952-443-3748 to book a tee time or sign up for leagues. Charlie's Grille also opened up today. The restaurant and bar offers a great selection of sandwiches, appetizers and beverages, along with a huge flat screen television to watch all the latest sporting events.

LAST DOWNTOWN MASTER PLAN MEETING

Over the past year the Downtown Master Plan Task Force has been working hard on putting together their final recommendations to the City Council on ways to enhance and rehabilitate the downtown commercial and residential area. The Task Force was made up of approximately 15 people who represented many aspects of the community, including downtown business owners, residents, representatives of local organizations, religious institutions, and Hoisington, Koegler. The purpose of their work has been to identify an overall plan to reinvest in the downtown as a significant asset of our community.

The last Task Force meeting will be held tonight from 6:00 to 9:00 pm at Chaska City Hall. Important aspects for implementation of the plan will be discussed, as well as the future role of the Task Force.

The Chaska City Council will be primarily focusing on the recommendations of the Task Force at their annual retreat next Thursday. Questions about the Downtown Master Plan Task Force or the future steps to be incorporated regarding the Plan, may be directed to the Community Development Director, Kevin Ringwald, at 952-448-9200.

20th BIRTHDAY

The Chaska Community Center celebrates its 20th anniversary this year. Over the past several months the CCC staff has been studying the type of reinvestment will be needed in the facility over next 10 years to make sure the Community Center remains a viable and well-maintained asset in the future.

The CCC will need to address issues in maintaining the ice rink, improvements and replacements to equipment in the swimming pool area, and general capital improvement replacements. The City has invested over \$20 million in the Community Center since 1991. We need to continue to preserve this investment and maintain its viability into the future.

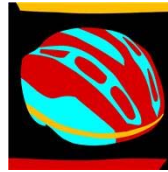
The Council will be discussing the Community Center Capital Improvement Program at a work session prior to their meeting on Monday, April 18th. Following the Work Session the CIP presentation will be available on our website at www.chaskamn.com. Questions may be directed to the Park and Recreation Director, Tom Redman, at 952-448-7740.



CHASKA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2011 7:00 PM – CITY HALL

GO to: www.chaskamn.com on Friday afternoon for the complete agenda.

BIKE HELMETS AVAILABLE



The Chaska Police Department now has bike helmets available for \$10.00. These helmets usually sell retail for \$22.95. They are available in red, silver, or blue in sizes small, medium, and large. Contact Officer Julie Janke for an appointment for a fitting at 952-448-4200 or email her at jjanke@chaskamn.com. Hurry, while supplies last! (No free Ginsu knives available with your order.)



CHASKA COMMUNITY CENTER ACTIVITIES

AMERICAN RED CROSS SAFE ON MY OWN:

A child's guide to home alone safety.

As a parent, would your child be safe and feel confident if they were to be left alone for a minute or hours while you were away? The American Red Cross has developed this course to help teach children 8 to 12 years old how to be safe when at home alone. The course includes a student guidebook and a snack!

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Skills taught:
Home safety skills
How to interact with strangers
Internet safety skills
Basic First Aid
Choking emergencies and more!

Date: Monday, April 18
Time: 5:30–8:00 pm
Cost: \$27 Member or \$34 Non-Member

YOUTH RACQUETBALL INSTRUCTIONAL LEAGUE

Ages 10 to 18

This will be a four-week instructional league. Each weekly session will be broken down into half instruction and half play-time.



Youth League I: For beginners who want to learn the basics of the game.

Youth League II: For the little more experienced player who has taken Youth League I and wants to learn more about technique, strategy and positioning.

Ampro-Certified Instructor:
Brian Phillips
Dates: Tuesdays, April 19–May 10
Times:
League I: 6:00–7:00 pm
League II: 7:00–8:00 pm
Cost: \$35 Member or \$47 Non-Member

STANDARD FIRST AID

Following the American Red Cross guidelines, this course provides the knowledge and skills necessary to recognize and provide basic first aid care. Upon successful completion,

participants receive an American Red Cross certificate. Textbook provided.

Date: Tuesday, April 19
Time: 5:30–9:30 p.m.
Place: Chaska Community Center
Cost: \$50 Member or \$60 Non-Member

BRICK CITY BREWERS

Grab your favorite mug and join us for a great time! We'll gather once a month for activities like entertainment, games and distribution of upcoming events and area senior citizen brochures.



Spring Break Party
Date: Tuesday, April 19
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Place: The Lodge

NORDIC WALKING WORKSHOP

Nordic Walking is the perfect fitness workout! Adding Nordic Walking Poles will bring your walk to a whole body experience, engaging up to 90% of your body's muscles while increasing your heart rate, burning more calories and being gentle on your joints. Wear comfortable walking shoes and dress for the weather, we will be going outdoors. LEKI demo poles will be available for use or you may bring your own Nordic Walking poles.

Taught by Linda Lemke, American Nordic Walking Association Instructor. (Nordic Walking poles available for sale.)
Cost: \$35 per person

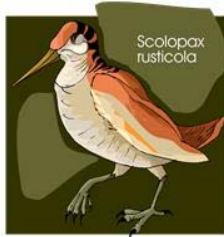
Session I: Wednesdays, April 20–May 4
Time: 6:00–7:30 pm
Session II: Thursdays, April 21–May 5
Time: 9:30–11:00 am

FLIGHT OF THE TIMBERDOODLE¹⁹¹

Late March and April is a special time of ritual for the American Woodcock. Come along on a journey to observe their unforgettable aerial displays as twilight takes hold of the refuge. There is nothing like it! Space is very limited. Reservations are required. Please call (952) 858-0715.

Led by volunteer naturalist Craig Mandel.

Dates and Times:
Friday, April 15,
7:45 pm and/or
Thursday, April
21, 8:00 pm



Place: Rapids Lake Unit Carver Highlands Parking Lot
15865 Carver Highlands Drive
Carver, MN 55315

1986 **U.S. attacks Libya** U.S. attempts to assassinate Muammar el-Qaddafi - blaming him for the bombing of a West Berlin disco - killing his infant daughter in the attack. It was later determined that a German woman was responsible for the bombing.

1965 **In Cold Blood** Richard Hickock and Perry Smith are hanged for the 1959 murder of the Clutter family in Kansas. These murders were the basis for Truman Capote's book and the movie [In Cold Blood](#).

1912 **Sinking of the Titanic** At 11:37 pm the four-story "unsinkable" ship - while on her maiden voyage - strikes an iceberg in the North Atlantic. She sank at 2:20 am, killing 1,517 of the 2,238 people aboard.

1910 **First president to throw the opening ball of the baseball season.**

Howard Taft starts a long-lasting tradition.



1865 **Lincoln.** The President is shot and ortafatally wounded in Ford's Theater by John Wilkes Booth.

1828 **Webster's Dictionary.** Noah Webster's *An American Dictionary of the English Language* is published.

DEATHS:

2007 **Don Ho** b. 1930 (Donald Tai Loy Ho) Hawaiian singer. Music: *Tiny Bubbles* (1966, #8) TV: *The Don Ho Show* (1976-77)

1995 **Burl Ives** b. 1909 (Burl Icle Ivanhoe) American Oscar-winning actor, singer. Film: *Big Country* (1958 Oscar) and *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* (1958, Big Daddy). TV: *The Bold Ones*. He was jailed in Mona, Utah for singing *Foggy Foggy Dew* (an Irish ballad) in public, which authorities deemed a bawdy song.

