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NOVEMBER 11TH VETERAN'S DAY CEREMONIES



The City of Chaska would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Veterans for the service they have provided to our country and to remember all those who sacrificed their life and the families they left behind defending our freedoms. The dedication and sacrifice of our military personnel have not only made the United States a great country in which to live, but they have also impacted our immediate community and the freedom we enjoy on a day-to-day basis.

We would like to remind residents of the November 11th annual Veteran's Day Program at Chaska Middle School West from 7:30 to 8:30 am. An honor guard will be present during the ceremony and all residents are invited to attend and pay their respects.

A ceremony in honor of the United States Armed Forces Veterans will also be held on Thursday at the Minnesota Vietnam Memorial in front of the State Capitol in St. Paul at 11:00 am. The event will include guest speakers, color guards, a rifle firing party and music by the St. Paul Central High School Band. Special guests include SSG John K. Weber Chapter XV, 173rd Airborne Brigade Association, Kenneth Worthley Chapter XX, Special Forces Association, the MN Screaming Eagles Chapter, 101st Airborne Association, and the Midwest All-Airborne Alliance.

UPDATE ON DOWNTOWN MASTER PLANNING PROCESS

As we approach the end of the year, the Downtown Master Planning Task Force is near the completion of their work. The purpose of the plan is to provide an overall vision and direction for the future of the downtown area. It will incorporate strategies to keep our commercial district viable and the residential neighborhoods connected. A date will soon be set for a public open house to give citizens and business owners an opportunity to view the work of the Task Force and offer comments. Questions about the progress of the Downtown Master Plan may be directed to the City's Community Development Director, Kevin Ringwald, at 952-448-9200.

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CITY RECOMMENDED TO RECEIVE LIVEABLE COMMUNITIES GRANT FOR COOPERS

The City of Chaska received good news this week that the grant application made for the Liveable Communities Demonstration Account through the Metropolitan Council will be recommended for funding. The grant submitted was for \$500,000 to help solidify Cooper's as a grocery store in the downtown area and place the property into the Community Land Trust Program, as well as assist with the completion of interior and exterior improvements to the building.



As the City has gone through the Downtown Master Planning process, it has become very clear that one of the anchor services important to the downtown area is a grocery store. Cooper's provides a service to many residents in the downtown neighborhoods and acts as an anchor to draw patrons into the downtown district, which in turn helps to support other businesses in the area.

As part of the project, the City is looking to utilize the grant money to assist with the purchase of the land and placement of it into the Land Trust to provide the community with long-term ownership to make sure that we keep an important business like a grocery store in the downtown district as we move into the future.

While the official announcement of the grant will be made in December, the City of Chaska is confident that we will receive these funds, as recommendations from

the Liveable Communities Grant Committee to the Met Council typically do receive the funding request level. Upon the award of the grant funds, the City will move forward with the Land Trust Program and Coopers to implement the program recommendation.

Questions about the Land Trust, Liveable Communities Program, or the grant process, may be directed to Bart Fischer, Assistant City Administrator, at 952-448-4200, who was very instrumental in putting together this grant application.

FREE SERVICES AVAILABLE

Are you living on very little? You are invited to GET CONNECTED! The Scott-Carver Project Community Connect is hosting a program on November 23rd from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm at Canterbury Park at 1100 Canterbury Road, Shakopee. Participate in and learn about free services that include housing, education, medical care, legal assistance, haircuts, dental services, youth services, Veterans services and more!



Free shuttle pick up is being offered to Canterbury from the Chaska Community Center at 8:00 am, as well as from other county communities. The shuttle will make a return trip at 2:00 pm.

For more information, visit: www.ScottCarverPCC.org.

WE WON'T BE HERE!

Chaska City Offices will be closed tomorrow, Thursday, November 11th in honor of Veteran's Day. For Community Center hours go to: www.chaskacommunitycenter.com.

MEETING NOTICES

Chaska Planning Commission
Work Session Only
Tonight – 7pm – Chaska City Hall

Next Chaska Council Meeting
Monday, Nov. 15th – 7pm
Chaska City Hall



CHASKA COMMUNITY CENTER ACTIVITIES

Kochenash Reception

A "Meet the Artist Reception" for Rick Kochenash, at the Chaska Community Center Gallery is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 15th from 2:00-4:00 pm. Rick's work entitled, "Chaska in Paint II" is being featured at the CCC gallery through December 4th. Come and meet the artist, view his paintings, all of which are scenes from the Chaska area, and have an opportunity to purchase his work.

Mom and Dad Morning Break

Do you need a break from your little ones? Let us watch the kids as you enjoy a Tuesday morning break to do whatever you want, finish those errands, clean the house, or just have coffee with a friend. We will have arts and crafts time, stories and songs, tot time gym fun, and play in the playroom or at the CCC Park. Snacks will be provided.



Date: November 16, Thanksgiving Theme
Ages: 1 to 6 years old
Time: 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Cost: \$15 Member per class/\$20 Non-Member

\$5 Late pick-up fee after 5 minutes, \$1 every minute thereafter

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 for injuries and sudden illnesses until advanced medical personnel arrive and take over. Upon successful completion, participants receive an American Red Cross certificate. Textbook provided.



Date: Tuesday, November 16

Time: 5:30–9:30 p.m.

Cost: \$50 Member/ \$60 Non-Member

Adult/Child/Infant CPR and AED Review



Is your certification expiring soon? To be eligible to participate, participants must bring a current American Red Cross certificate (or equivalent) to class. Participants and their instructor will review video segments, practice and perform skills, and complete written tests. Upon successful completion, participants receive an American Red Cross certificate.

Date: Wednesday, November 17

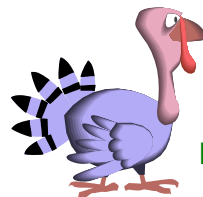
Time: 5:30–9:30 p.m.

Cost: \$40 Member/\$50 Non-Member

Teen November Turkey Shoot

Ages 11 to 15

Help to put the bird on your Thanksgiving table! Join the Chaska Park and Recreation Department for a little friendly competition at our Annual Turkey



Shoot. Compete against other students in your age category in fun-filled activities, including free throws, soccer kick, hockey goals, and more! Participants are welcome to arrive anytime between 2:30-3:30 pm. Registration and activities will take approximately 30 minutes. Participants may leave when they are finished. Winners will be notified afterward by phone and arrangements will be made to pick up prizes (and frozen turkeys). All activities completed by approximately 4:00 pm.

Date: Thursday, November 18
Time: 2:30–4:00 pm
Place: Chaska Community Center
Cost: FREE

Tot Time Adventure: Toy Story

Ages 2 to 6 years
A parent and child class filled with crafts, games, snacks and more! Each theme includes leisure activities for parents and children to share. Programs generally last one hour. Space is limited. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged.

Cost:\$5.00
Member/\$6.50
Non-Member
Fees are per child,
parents free.



Toy Story

Come one come all to the toy story adventure at the CCC. We will have themed crafts and games all around the "Toy Story" theme. A special visit from Buzz is expected so don't be late to register for this event. It is sure to fill up fast. Space is limited to 60 children.
Date: Saturday, November 20
Time: 9:30–10:30 a.m.



Veteran's Day Quiz:

1. Veteran's Day honors _____.
A. Those who have died in war
B. Those who have survived war
C. All who have served in the U.S. armed forces during times of peace and war

Answer: (C) Veteran's Day is observed annually in the United States to thank everyone, dead or alive, who has honorably served in the U.S. armed forces during times of peace and war. Veteran's Day is greatly intended for living veterans, according to Dept. of Veteran Affairs.

2. World War I ended on November 11 at 11:11 am in _____.

- A. 1918
- B. 1921
- C. 1938
- D. 1954

Answer: (A) World War I, also known as the Great War, lasted from 1914 to 1918.

3. Irving Berlin's song _____ was popularized by Kate Smith at the New York World's Fair on November 11 1938.

- A. "My Country Tis Of Thee"
- B. "God Bless America"
- C. "When Johnny Come Marching Home"
- D. "Yankee Doodle"

Answer: (B) In 1918, Berlin wrote "God Bless America," but the song had been buried for 20 years because it was rejected by the music industry. Toward the end of World War I, Berlin was approached by Ted Collins, the manager for singer Kate Smith, who was looking for a patriotic song for Smith to sing. Berlin dug up the old piece, made a few lyrical changes, and Smith first sang the tune on Veteran's Day in 1938 at the New York World's Fair.

4. Which president issued the first "Veteran's Day Proclamation" in 1954?

- A. Herbert Hoover
- B. Franklin D. Roosevelt
- C. Dwight D. Eisenhower
- D. Harry S. Truman

Answer: (C) In 1954, President Eisenhower signed a bill proclaiming November 11 as Veteran's Day.

