Chanhassen fireworks

When: 10 p.m. July 4
Where: Lake Ann Park.
Information: Fireworks are launched from the east shore of Lake Ann. Visit the Lake Ann Lake Park and Greenwood Shores will be closed from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.

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For more information and schedule of July 4 and events in Chanhassen, see page 10.

Taking stock of the trees

Effort guards against future ash tree issues

By Forrest Adams

Quint efforts are under way in the Chanhassen area this summer to take inventory and prepare for the arrival of the emerald ash borer, a beetle that has killed tens of millions of ash trees in southeastern Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Missouri, New York, Ohio, Ontario, Pennsylvania, Quebec, Wisconsin, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

In Chanhassen, the city’s inventory project has been spearheaded by environmental resource specialist Julia Tripp, who said it’s only a matter of time before the ash tree finds its way into Chanhassen.

"We don’t know when it will happen," she said. "But you can plan to expect it to come in on a jam, a storm or just some event from an ash borer infestation.

The city’s tree inventory project has been in the works for about five years, said Sinclair. That’s why the Chanhassen fire chief was first spotted in a Michigan ash tree in 2007, about a year before the borer was found in Michigan in the summer of 2005.

Sinclair said the task of taking stock of the city’s park trees began about five years ago when city staff used GPS to locate all the park trees on a map. Only their basic location was recorded. This summer’s efforts will record basic information about the trees, such as species, size, age, and location.

"We’ll work through the course of the summer, more than 2,300 trees in 22 city parks and recreation zones," Sinclair said. "When it’s done we’ll have a larger database for the city of Chanhassen.

Chanhassen events

Fireworks will continue to sparkle this Fourth

By Michelle Stevens

Many fireworks fans have felt the economic recession in everyday life, some have reworked budgets, others have cut spending. But for local parks and recreation coordinators, the economy hasn’t doused Fourth of July fireworks displays.

"It’s a total sellout, we’re full," said Kurt Fischer, Chanhassen’s assistant city administrator.

This sentiment is shared by many local city employees in Chanhassen. There are more than 20,000 people in line to take in the fireworks displays.

"We’ve been doing this for 12 years. $20,000 gives us more freedom of what we can do," Fischer said.

He said they send out letters to the community asking for donations and the remainder is covered by the city budget, since the fireworks displays is included in the city’s budget.

In Chanhassen, Stateman Park, located near the lake, is in a combination of the budget and donations from the community business as part of an annual sponsorship program.

For the 2010 fireworks show, Stateman Park received a $30,000 sponsor-ship.
By Forrest Adams

The city of Chanhassen is in line to receive state grants to pay for roadway and trail improvements at a downtown intersection, thanks to the efforts of its northeast corner.

Chanhassen was one of only 21 cities in the state to receive a Smart Growth award from the Minnesota Department of Transportation this year, which means the city will be able to receive state funding to pay for improvements to a busy intersection.

This year, $4 million is available through the Smart Growth program that provides funding to projects that are developed and administered by local agencies and provides a benefit to both the local community and the state’s road network. Chanhassen’s project at a busy northeast corner intersection is considered a state-trunk road project.

Mayor Susan Weese said she has been discussing the possibility of additional grants for the northeast corner projects and believes this would be a “very competitive program” for the city.

The Smart Growth program is probably the one that receives the most interest around Highway 5 in the Highway 101 intersection,” she said.

The grant would fund the lanes, drain, shoulders, curbs, and other improvements at the intersection. The city would pay about 25 percent of the project, with the state, through the Smart Growth program, committing about $3 million to the project.

Applications are due July 14. If the application is successful, construction would start as early as August 2011. MnDOT is scheduled to review Highway 101 from 42nd Avenue to the 3rd Avenue Bridge project with this application project area, but it is unclear whether MnDOT has agreed to delay its construction.

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Chaska and Victoria residents and businesses along Highway 5 between 12th Avenue Southwest and Minnewashta Road, had an opportunity to take a closer look at improvement plans scheduled for the summer of 2011. The city of Victoria and the Chaska-Eden Prairie MnDOT district held an open house on July 21 at the Chaska Civic Center.

The project that was proposed by MnDOT was to improve the interchange at Highway 61 and Highway 5 by adding an extra right-turn lane and a left-turn lane. The project will also include a roundabout at Innsbruck Drive, approximately one-fourth mile west of the interchange; a mini overpass in the business district; and extending the roundabout for an additional 100 feet westbound.

The project is expected to cost $8 million to $10 million and be completed in 2013. The city of Victoria said it would be covered by the state and federal government, the state's Safe Routes to School program, and a local contribution; however, those amounts haven't yet been determined.

MnDOT engineer David Sheen, who spoke with a group of residents, said the project was needed because of high traffic volume and the roundabout would be replaced. The interchange will also be improved by adding extra lanes and reducing the amount of time it takes for traffic to turn.

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Safety first around firecrackers

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In 2008, fireworks in Minnesota resulted in about 1,000 hospital-treated injuries and about $200 million in property losses, according to the Minnesota Department of Public Safety press release.

We really need to focus on is this - How to make our communities safer, how to make our future one that is safer, tastier and safer proposition. To smuggle from Wisconsin – a much cooler sparkler wires immediately and never, ever again.

We have had years of “tax and spend” and it is now time for President Obama and his administration to turn the right to the right and go out the door.

Now, with many types of fireworks available, the data from 2008, and the price we pay will be terrible.

The future is to create it! Notice, the future this summer by creating a healthy happy one. Remember every day is a new choice. It is someone in their corner who has your back, they will keep up the good fight for those them that have already managed to fight a real community leader, Jeff Pickett’s charge heading down the cul de sac.

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A memorial mass was held Wednesday, June 30, at 11 a.m. at St. Maria Goretti Church in Chanhassen, with Monsignor Michael Burke presiding. Visitations were held at the church from 5 p.m. until the time of service on Wednesday. Inurnment will be at Guardian Angel Cemetery in Chanhassen.

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In Scandinavia, summertime is vacation-time

Summer has officially come! The midsummer pole dance is standing with the memories of the best time. People love taking care of themselves and the whole island.

By Unsie Zuege

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Hello, and goodbye

Public Works welcomes the new guy; bids farewell to vet

By Unsie Zuege

Chuck Almhjeld is a bit reluctant to bring his wife to tour the city of Victoria. There are too many beautiful places for that.

But Almhjeld doesn’t mind. “I’m a house husband of heart, and I’m happy doing it,” he said. Almhjeld is a move to Victoria next spring, and his wife, Karla, is an artist who is reluctant to bring her to this area.

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One thing that surprised them about the area was the amount of industry; although Victoria was the absence of Ann Mahnke, Public Works superintendant. In Victoria, under the direction of Ann Mahnke, Public Works director, he oversees operations of public works, the sewer treatment plant, and city maintenance. Prior to his last city maintenance and no sugar or eggs. While the dough may take longer (24-hours), the natural sugars in the flour are released creating great flavor and a more digestible and more nutritious bread.

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The Chanhassen American Legion Post 580 baseball team failed to overcome SE's seven-run fourth inning and fell to the Red Birds 9-8.

**Chanhassen Storm Nationals AAAA team at left. At front: batter Doris Johnson. Second row: Lucas Nielsen, Andrew Schneider, Jobin Patterson, Brandon Fitch and Elton Johnson. Third row: Patrick Casey, Andrew Carlson, Mark Jeff, Mark Garrison, Jake and Aaron Turc. Back row: coaches Craig Muzzy, Tony Bicks and Jeff Garceau.**

**Chanhassen Red Birds**

**Photos by Tim McGovern**

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**ROSTER ROUNDUP**

Mattson tabbed by Black Hawks

By Tim McGovern

Nick Mattson has been drafted in a hockey draft he will be.

The defending Stanley Cup champion Chicago Blackhawks selected Mattson in Round 4 of the NHL Entry Draft on Saturday with the 95th overall pick.

Draft eligible players are North American players age 18 and European players age 20 or younger.

Mattson, a University of Minnesota and the Canadian junior team, was drafted in the second round.
Winning weekend – and it’s for dad

The Chaska 11AAA baseball team celebrated Father’s Day by winning the 2010 Bloomington 11AAA Invitational. The boys had an awesome weekend of great ball, going undefeated with a 2-0 victory over Hudson in the championship game. Team members and their fathers are, front row from left: Steve and Zach Yealds; coach Mark and Rick Verso; Tim and Jack Yealds; and Sandy and Jack Wilson. Back row: assistant coach Dan Verso; assistant coach Matt Verso; assistant coach Jeff Verso; assistant coach Dave Allen; assistant coach Joe Ries; head coach John Yealds; and Ethan Wilson.

Storm Nationals

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Storm first at Shakopee

The Chanhassen Storm 11AAA tournament baseball team won four of five games and took first place in the Shakopee Tournament with a 4-1 over White Park on Sunday. Team members are, front row from left: Henry Weisman, Tyler Schaefer, Kolten Oberg, Drake Weisman, Patrick Gian and Andrew Kasling. Back row: coach Bob Schaefer, Andrew Courtney, Keagan Williams, Adam Sattervall, Cooper Lindquist, coach T.J. Hokanson and coach Bill Weisman. Not pictured: coach Mike Choiniere and Nate Choiniere.

Carver Team 1 wins 3CV

The Carver 4/5 girls softball Team 1 took first place at the 3CV tournament in Chanhassen on Saturday. Carver won 4-0 and 10-9 to win the championship, capped off with a 1-0 victory over New Ulm for the championship. Team members are, front row from left: Maddy Paquette, Shayla Meehan, Shiloh McDaniel, Molly Dau and Ellie Frobom. Second row: Isabel Jones, Emma Ryan, Lisa Bresnahan, Erica Fahey and Olivia Frobom. Not pictured: players Lilie Smith, Jacky Bradley, Emma Nelson, Leah Nelson and Riley Sorenson.
Kemble makes her parade pitch

Many Chanhassen residents say they have seen Kemble help start the Red Birds amateur baseball team, or they may know that Terre Kemble travels all over the state for Twins baseball clinics. He said he often can be found:

Q: What part of which Fourth of July celebration are you ex-
pected to visit?
A: I’m excited that we’re having a Red Birds right here in Chanhassen. After graduating from Chanhassen High School at 8 p.m. There’s something about the Fourth and the Red Birds that we can reflect on how lucky we are.

Q: Favorite memory of living in Chanhassen?
A: Favorite memory was when we opened the new ballpark [Chanhassen High School]. It was something to go to to see the kids, and we had something that was ours.

Q: What are three words that best describe yourself?
A: Workaholic, energetic, and determined.

Q: How would you describe your experience with the Red Birds of July 4th and the Chanhassen School District?
A: I’m looking forward to all of them. The boys love it! Parents love it! It’s something that’s going to continue.

The opportunity presented itself this year in the new baseball field. It’s our opportunity to shine and do this.

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Lakefront Jazz & Blues Festival

Free, fun and family-friendly! Yes!

By Shawn Hogendorf

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Jake Gyllenhall stars as Prince Dastan, an orphaned peasant whose bravery and destiny catch the eye of the righteous King Sharaman (Ronald Pickup), and subsequently results in his adoption into the royal family. Many years later, Dastan’s two brothers sanction the attack, which Dastan actually leads.

Penetrating the supposedly invincible city in no time at all, Dastan battles a messenger from an oddly constructed dagger, the top half of which contains a glass case filled with sand. Though, he does not realize it at the time, the dagger holds a mystical secret that will forever change Dustan’s fate and lead him down a dangerous path filled with betrayal and lots of stylized action-violence.

The best thing about “Prince of Persia” is the way in which the story unfolds over time, such that the revelation of important plot details leads to multiple thrilling twists and turns that illuminate fascinating and meaningful character relationships. It is rare that a movie so vapid and action-centric is able to command the attention of the audience for a long period of time. In this way, “Prince of Persia” rises above the familiar summer blockbuster formula.

But at the same time, the tension between a fairly creative and somewhat serious storyline and a light and bearable score marked by stylized action sequences and tongue-in-cheek humor gives the film a very uncomfortable feel. It is this tonal incongruity that makes a lot of the expressive dialogue laughable, and makes Jake Gyllenhaal’s performance seem wooden and out of place.

“Prince of Persia” is just a very mediocre film. It certainly has enough to please the audience, but the direction and execution are notably immature. It feels like an incomplete action epic, one that can’t decide whether it wants to be legitimately good or just pure spectacle. Ultimately, we end up with too little of both.
Chaska woodworker to have art on display in July at Chan Library

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MINNESOTA NATURALIST — The Minneapolis Zoo’s Horticulture Department will host the Minnesota Naturalist Conference at Wildflower Hall on the campus of Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota. The conference welcomes naturalists of all ages. Details are available at wildflowermuseum.org or by calling Chapter President Brenda Curthol at (952) 544-7594. More information about the Naturalist Conference is available at the Minnesota Naturalist’s Web site, mnnaturalist.org.

WILDFIRE EXPLORATION — Families are invited to explore and discuss what happens when a wildfire occurs. The session is designed for all ages and includes a children’s activity. Come prepared for the weather and bring your questions. Join us for the next exploration on June 25. For more information, contact Dept. of Natural Resources, 311 East County Road 15, St. Peter, MN 56976, or call (507) 456-5804. To provide feedback, visit www.naturalresources.state.mn.us/community/events.

MINNETONKA THEATRE — The Twin Cities premiere producing musical “The Drowsy Chaperone” begins Friday, July 2, at the Minnetonka Theatre, 12500 Century Drive in Minnetonka. Performances are at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are $21-$26. For more information, call (952) 940-7060 or visit minnetonkatheatre.com.

COFFEE — Sunday morning at St. Mary’s Basilica in Eden Prairie, the Rev. Tommgard Smith will speak about the concept of union. The service takes place at 9 a.m. The church is located at 12000 W. 75th Street in Eden Prairie. For more information, call (952) 943-2336.

Minneapolis Library— Classes are available for meditation, and they’re led by a Buddhist monk. The classes are every Thursday from 7:15-8:15 p.m. at the Minneapolis Library, 300 1st Ave. S., Room 316. For more information, call (952) 358-5100 or visit mympls.lib.mn.us.

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MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS PROGRAM — The Mental Health Crisis Program can be accessed by calling 1-866-236-4640. If you or someone you know is in need of help, please call.

WEST WINDOJOB SUPPORT NETWORKING GROUP — A business support group meeting takes place on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Tops Plaza on Phillips Avenue in Eden Prairie. The group offers a relaxed, supportive environment to network with other small business professionals. For more information, visit www.westwindsjobgroup.com or call Krista at (763) 482-1205.

GROWTH ORPHANAGE — Step back in time and experience Wilt- shire farming from a time period during the 1930’s. The event is free. Performances are on Wednesdays and Saturdays throughout the season at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. until the end of the season. This event is a past time and family fun you will not want to miss. For more information, contact Doug Ormston at (952) 383-4669. The event is not accessible by van or bus. Parking is available.

GLORIOUS OPEN HOUSE — Step back in time and experience Wiltshire farming from a time period during the 1930’s. The event is free. Performances are on Wednesdays and Saturdays throughout the season at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. until the end of the season. This event is a past time and family fun you will not want to miss. For more information, contact Doug Ormston at (952) 383-4669. The event is not accessible by van or bus. Parking is available.

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Graduates

Thirty two students from across the state graduated from the Minnesota Center for Online Learning (MCOL). An online school offering a high-quality education to students in grades K-12, in a ceremony held Sunday, June 13 in Minneapolis. The Minnesota Center for Online Learning (MCOL) has been named a Municipal University of Chanhassen.

The following local residents have graduated from Boston College:

- Max Bock of Chanhassen, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University’s College of Arts & Sciences with a major in English.
- Keith O’Connor of Shorewood graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University’s College of Arts & Sciences with a major in English.
- Hilary Peterson of Troy graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University’s College of Arts & Sciences with a major in Human Development.

The following local residents have graduated from the University of Minnesota:

- Charles Michel of Chanhassen, graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in History.
- Bonnie Mathisen of Chanhassen, graduated from St. Olaf College with a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University’s Carolyn A. and Charles M. Anderson College of Education and Human Development with a major in Human Development.

The following local residents have graduated from Macalester College:

- Amanda Young of St. Paul, a Biology major.
- Mariam Supple of Chanhassen, a Business Administration and English major.
- Amanda Cappelle of Chanhassen, an Economics major.
- Xander Davis of Chanhassen, a Biology major.
- Mary Sutfin, from Chanhassen, a University Studies major.
- Catherine Wark, from Victoria, a Mathematics major.

The following local residents have been named to the Minnesota State University Moorhead Dean’s List for the spring 2010 semester:

- Mara Batzli, from Chanhassen, a Construction Management major.
- Justin Pierson, from Chanhassen, a Biology major.
- Jason Schlapfer, from Chanhassen, an Art major.
- Hope Laven, from St. Peter, an Economics major.
- Jonathan Asplin, from Chanhassen, a Biology major.
- Marla Anderson, from St. Peter, a Family, Nutrition & Human Development major.
- Catherine Skluzacek, from Minnetonka, a Construction Management major.
- Julie Skluzacek of Minnetonka, daughter of Duane Skluzacek and Chante Skluzacek of Minneapolis, a Sociology and German major.
- Hilary Peterson of Troy, a Mathematics major.
- Sara Schumacher of St. Peter, an English major.
- Mark Thilges of Chanhassen, a Biology major.
- Christina Stensrud of St. Peter, an English major.
- Jessica Schlauderaff of St. Peter, an English major.
- Megan Kastow of Chanhassen, a Biology major.
- Tyler Sorensen of Chanhassen, a Sociology major.
- Taylor Emery of St. Peter, a Psychology major.
- Brianna Carnahan of St. Peter, a Psychology major.
- Blythe Nelson of St. Peter, a Psychology major.
- Erik Sorensen of Chanhassen, a Social Studies major.
- Carly Gwinn of Chanhassen, a History major.
- Hilary Peterson of Troy, a Mathematics major.
- Amanda Cappelle of Chanhassen, a Psychology major.
- Samantha Morrisey of Minnetonka, a Biology major.
- David Peterson of Chanhassen, a Biology major.
- Matt Gustafson of Chanhassen, a Biology major.
- Andrew Carson of St. Peter, a Sociology major.
- Kari Mallory of St. Peter, a History major.
- Andrew Kastow of St. Peter, a History major.
- Kristin Romantic of St. Peter, a History major.
- David Bedell of St. Peter, a History major.
- Brian Pfeiffer of St. Peter, a History major.
- John Kastow of St. Peter, a History major.
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Honors

Northern State University in Aberdeen, S.D. has released the Dean’s List for the spring semester. Chanhassen resident Carlini D’Loli was listed on the 4.0 Dean’s List.

Nigel Kinney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson of Chanhassen was named to the state’s spring 2010 semester at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota. Kinney is the son of Nan and John Kinney. He is a senior Political Science major.

Lynsay MacDonald, a graduate of Minnetonka High School, has been named to the Dean’s List for the spring 2010 semester at St. Olaf College. MacDonald is a Neuroscience major from Chanhassen.

Students named to the spring 2010 semester Dean’s List at the University of Minnesota are the following from the local area:

- Jordan Anderson, a senior from Chanhassen, is an Economics major.
- John Emery, a junior from Chanhassen, is a Biology major.
- Kristin Romantic, a senior from Chanhassen, is a History major.

The following local residents have been named to the Minnesota State University Moorhead Dean’s List for the spring 2010 semester:

- Jett Hennen, a junior from Chanhassen, is a Biology major.
- Morgan Hennen, a senior from Chanhassen, is an English major.
- Taylor Emery, a junior from Chanhassen, is a Psychology major.
- Kristin Romantic, a senior from Chanhassen, is a History major.
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Sparkle and Laughter – Unsie Zuege

A group of performers at the First Act Theatre Camp for Kids produced musicals that have entertained audiences.

Betty Liedtke

Three Qs

From backstage to Main Stage

Young performers learn to act at COT camps

By Forrest Adams

A group of performers at the First Act Theatre Camp for Kids produced musicals that have entertained audiences.

A Vermont country boy and a Minnesota farm girl met at college, got married, ran a repair shop, and then sit in a theater named after the shop and enjoy life with their family.

Sparkling light reflected off a mirror in the entrance of the performance hall, as performers and families filled the rows of seats. The air was filled with the scent of popcorn and the chatter of people as they waited for the show to begin. "I'm excited!" a young girl whispered to her friend, "I've never seen a musical before!"

"Me neither," her friend replied, "but I heard they're really good!"

The lights dimmed and the audience hushed as the curtain rose on the first scene. The performers, dressed in costumes and makeup, moved across the stage in perfect synchronization, their voices blending into a harmonious melody. The audience was captivated as they were transported into a world of imagination and adventure.

At the end of the performance, the audience erupted in applause as the actors took their final bow. "What an amazing show!" one listener exclaimed, "I can't wait to see the next one!"

As the performers exited the stage, they were met with hugs and congratulations from family and friends. "Great job!" a father shouted, "I'm so proud of you!"

The performers, tired but happy, gathered in the green room to discuss the performance and plan for the next one. "We did it," one performer said, "we did it!"

The lights dimmed again, and the cycle of preparation, performance, and celebration began anew. "See you next time," a performer called out, as the group dispersed for the evening. "We'll do it again!"