

May 2026

Chisago County

Senior Center News

Chisago County Community Center
38790 6th Avenue | North Branch, MN 55056 | 651-674-8658

If You Missed It

Our Spring Fundraiser is/was held on May 2nd. However, there is still time to contribute if you were unable to attend. We are currently raising funds to replace the well-worn carpet in our dining room. After many years of shared meals, celebrations, and cherished gatherings, a new carpet will create a safer, quieter, and more welcoming space for everyone.

Every donation — no matter the size — brings us closer to this important improvement. Your generosity truly makes a difference in keeping our Senior Center comfortable and inviting for all.

How to Give:

- *Drop off or mail a check to the Senior Center*
- *Donate online at www.chisagosrcenter.org*

Thank you so much for your continued support and kindness. Together, we're making our Senior Center an even warmer home for our community!

Our Annual Fundraiser

Join us on **May 2nd, 2026**

It's Derby Time



Doors open at **5:00 pm**
Food, Drinks & Dinner
Raffles, Games,
Dessert & Live Auctions

500



Every Monday and
Wednesday at 1:00pm

Happy Feet Foot Care

Take care of your feet with
Happy Feet Foot Care!
Appointments are available on
the 3rd Wednesday and 4th
Thursdays of every month.
Give us a call at 763-346-3390
to book your appointment.
Your feet will thank you! 



CONNECT WITH US

651-674-8658

<https://www.chisagosrcenter.org>

chisagocountyseiorcenter@gmail.com

ACTIVITIES

500 Card Game - Every Monday & Wednesday at 1:00 pm. The cost is \$1

Bingo - Every Thursday at 10 am. \$.25 per card, 2-card limit.

Cribbage – Every Friday at 1:00 pm. The cost is \$1.

Dice Games - Wednesdays at 12:30 — bring your dimes and enjoy a fresh dice game each week!

Domino's - Every Tuesday at 10 am. Come, even if you've never played, and we will teach you!

Exercise With Connie - Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 10:30 am to 11:30 am.

Happy Feet Foot Care - Appointments are available on the 3rd Wednesday and 4th Thursday of the month. Call 763-346-3390 for an appointment.

Live Music - Every Tuesday at 11:15 am. See the activities calendar to who is playing each week.

Movie Day - Every second Tuesday at 1:30 pm for a fun-filled movie afternoon—everything is free! Enjoy homemade popcorn and beverages. See our calendar for what's playing this month.

Pot Luck Sunday - Second Sunday at 12:30 pm. Bring a dish to share. Donations are welcome.

Puzzles – Mon-Fri at 9 am to 1 pm, where there's always a warm cup of coffee and good company.

DONATIONS

Joe Rystrom gave a generous donation, and
Gwen Swenson donated in memory of Curt Anderson



RESOURCES

Food

Catholic Charities Senior Dining, Monday – Friday at 11:45, Call for reservation (651)-674-1956

Fare For All, Trinity Lutheran Church, (763)-450-3860, [Fare For All Schedule - The Food Group](#)

Family Pathway Food Shelf, by Appt, 651-674-8040, [Home - Family Pathways](#)

Miscellaneous

Arrowhead Transit, 800-862-0175, option 13, [Arrowhead Transit](#)

Chisago Age Well Coalition, No phone #, <https://www.chisagoagewell.org/>

Family Pathways Aging Services, 651-674-8040, [Aging Services - Family Pathways](#)

Lakes & Pines, 320-679-1800, <https://www.lakesandpines.org/>

Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid, Senior Law Project, 1-888-360-2889 <http://www.mylegalaid.org>

Minnesota Aging Pathways, (651) 431-2500, <https://mn.gov/aging-pathways/>

Veterans Guide – Website: veteransguide.org, Email: outreach@veteransguide.org

1. WAFFLES, 2. CEREAL, 3. YOGURT, 4. MUFFIN, 5. CROISSANT, 6. FRUIT, 7. ORANGE JUICE, 8.
GRANOLA, 9. BACON, 10. EGGS, 11. CREPES, 12. PANCAKES, 13. MAPLE SYRUP, 14. BAGEL, 15.
COFFEE, 16. HONEY, 17. DANISH, 18. TOAST, 19. BREAD, 20. SAUSAGE

THEME: BREAKFAST

PUZZLE ANSWERS

UPCOMING EVENTS



Join Us for this **FREE** Event!

Dine & Discover

Hosted by the Chisago Age Well Coalition
with the assistance of the Initiative Foundation and a Title III Grant
from the Central Minnesota Council on Aging as part of the Older Americans Act

Safe Use of Medications: Hidden hazards of on-line and over-the-counter drugs and more

For older adults and caregivers



Thomas Haas, PharmD
Thrifty White Pharmacy



Public Health
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Public Health

Wednesday, May 13, 2026

Today, there is a pill for everything. Ads for dietary supplements, memory and weight loss drugs, prescription and non-prescription medications dominate the airwaves. High prescription drug costs drive some buyers online in search of lower-cost alternatives. What are the risks? Bring your questions about: food and drug interactions, proper use of vitamin supplements, and more!

9 am – Chisago County Senior Center

12 noon – Zion Lutheran Church

3:30 pm – Rush City Community Center

Registration requested by May 8th. Call 651-674-1025. To register online: Go to North Branch Community Education, choose Senior Offerings, and scroll to Dine & Discover.

Come Travel with Me - Carline Sargent

UPCOMING DAY TRIP & SAVE THE DATES

May 27th - Little Women - Guthrie Theater

June 3rd - Twins Game

June 17th - Guys & Dolls - Chanhassen

July 9th - Twins Game

August 21st - A Second Helping, Church Basement Ladi

October 20th - Pride & Prejudice - Festival Theatre, St. Croix

November 11th - Annie – Chanhassen

December 16th - Christmas Show - Seasons

Worry Free Group

Travel Opportunitites

Carline Sargent

Email: cometravelwme@gmail.com

Call: 612-270-3403

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, May 26th 2026
From 9 am to 3 pm

Hosted at
Chisago County Community Center
38790 6th Ave, North Branch, MN 55056

+ Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS
(1-800-733-2767) or visit
redcrossblood.org and enter:
North Branch to schedule an
appointment.



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To ride Arrowhead Transit in the Chisago County area or on our designated routes, call 1-800-862-0175 and choose option 13.

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arrowheadtransit.com



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4-Hour in-person classes at the Senior Center:

May 20th 2026,

Sept 15th, 2026

from 12 noon to 4:00 pm

Let's Go Fishing

"Touching lives on the water"



Coming Soon!



See Us on WCMP's Deals Page!

Our Community Center room rentals are featured with special discounts on wcmpradio.com → Deals! The **Activity Room** or **Dining Room** is half off.

Head to

<https://www.wcmpradio.com/deals>

to purchase directly—quick, easy, and budget-friendly. Share with friends and start planning your event today! Questions?

Call 651-674-8658.

RENTAL SPACES AVAILABLE!

The Chisago County Community Center is now booking graduation parties and special events for the summer — and dates are filling fast! Celebrate your big moments in a welcoming, spacious venue that's perfect for making memories.

Call our office at 651-674-8658 to reserve your space.

Office hours: Monday–Friday, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

Word Scramble

BREAKFAST

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|----------------|-------|----------------|-------|
| 1. EWLFFAS | _____ | 11. EERPCS | _____ |
| 2. ERLCEA | _____ | 12. NAPACSKE | _____ |
| 3. URGTOY | _____ | 13. EMUSRPALPY | _____ |
| 4. MNFUFI | _____ | 14. ALEBG | _____ |
| 5. SOTSIRCNA | _____ | 15. OFECEP | _____ |
| 6. RIFUT | _____ | 16. HYEON | _____ |
| 7. JACEENRIOUG | _____ | 17. HDISNA | _____ |
| 8. ONRGALA | _____ | 18. OASTT | _____ |
| 9. AOBCN | _____ | 19. AEBDR | _____ |
| 10. GESG | _____ | 20. GASSAUE | _____ |

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TUESDAYS

Tuesdays are the perfect mix of friendly competition, great music, good food, and wonderful company.

✓ 10:00 am Domines

✓ 11:15 am Live Music

✓ 11:45 am Lunch

651-674-8658



PLUS
a movie
every 2nd
Tuesday
at 1:30 pm

www.chisagosrcenter.org



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DONATIONS

Support Our Seniors

Your gift helps keep programs strong, doors open, and seniors connected.

Every contribution helps.

Donate today:

- Online: www.chisagosrcenter.org
- In person at our front desk
- By mail: Chisago County Senior Ctr
38790 6th Ave, North Branch, MN
55056.

Thank you for your kindness and support.

Mission Statement

“Our mission is to enrich the lives of Chisago County senior citizens & to support their individual lifestyles.”

Board of Directors:



Cathy Buda, President
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 Carol Stradinger, Connie Jaques, Henry
 Scott, Connie Kaiser, Marge Scheele,
 Pam Schultz, and Floyd Pinotti

Board Meeting every 3rd Thursday
of the month at 9:30 am at the
senior center
OPEN TO ALL!

Senior Center Activities

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8 am to 1 pm

Website: www.chisagorcenter.org Email: chisagocountyseniorcenter@gmail.com Phone: 651-674-8658


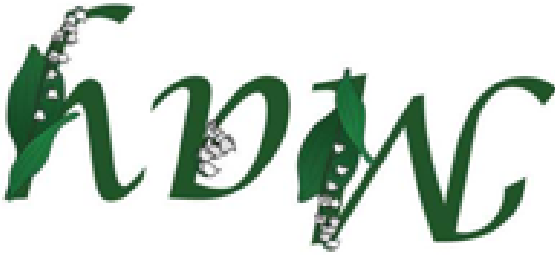
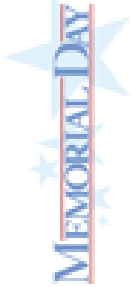
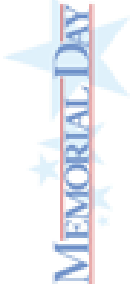
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>May</p> <p><i>Join us for our annual fundraiser on May 2nd, 2026</i></p>						
3	4 10:30 Exercise 1:00 500 Cards	5 10:00 Dominos 11:15 Music - Donovan & Siblings	6 10:30 Exercise 12:30 Dice Games 1:00 500 Cards	7 10:00 Bingo 	8 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage	9 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage
10 <i>Happy Mothers Day</i> 	11 10:30 Exercise 1:00 500 Cards	12 10:00 Dominos 11:15 Music - Wire & Wood 1:30 Movie - Best in Show	13 9:00 Dine & Discover 10:30 Exercise 12:30 Dice Games 1:00 500 Cards	14 10:00 Bingo	15 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage	16 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage
17 12:30 Pot Luck	18 10:30 Exercise 1:00 500 Cards	19 10:00 Dominos 11:15 Music - Dave Gourhan	20 10:30 Exercise 12:00 Driver Prog 12:30 Dice Games 1:00 500 Cards Happy Feet	21 9:30 Board Mtg 10:00 Bingo	22 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage	23 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage
24	25 Memorial Day 	26 9:00 Blood Drive 10:00 Dominos 11:15 Music - Dennis Schaefer	27 10:30 Exercise 12:30 Dice Games 1:00 500 Cards	28 10:00 Bingo Happy Feet	29 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage	30 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage

**TABLES
AROUND
TOWN
Begins at 5 pm**

Catholic Charities Senior Nutrition Menu

May 2026

Food served at 11:45 a.m. at Chicago County Senior Center, North Branch - For reservations, please call 651-674-1956 before 8:00 .

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	<p>Milk is served with every meal. Menu is subject to change. Dining/MOW closure announcements: WCMIP FM 100.9 FM 106.5 AM 1350 Partially funded under contract with the Central Minnesota Council on Aging as part of the Older Americans Act and Administered by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of St. Cloud.</p>					
4 Chicken Broccoli Casserole Green Beans Dessert Bread	5 Porcupine Meatballs Half of a Baked Potato Peas Brownie	6 Fried Chicken Sweet Potatoes Coleslaw Dessert	7 Tilapia Rice Vegetable Normandy Bread	8 BBQ Pork Macaroni & Cheese Broccoli		
11 Liver & Onions Mashed potatoes & Grav Green Beans Bread	12 Chicken Stuffing Corn Brownie Bread	13 Swedish Meatballs over Noodles Mixed Vegetables Pineapple Bread Jello	14 Egg & Hashbrown Bake Applesauce Broccoli Pastry	15 Chow Mein Rice Oriental Vegetables Mandarin Oranges Fortune Cookie		
18 Soup Salad Bun Cake	19 Flatbread Pizza Chicken Alfredo Broccoli Brownie	20 Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Noodles Green Beans Bun or Breadstick Dessert	21 Chicken Ala King over 1 Biscuit Pineapple Cookie	22 Cheeseburger German Potato Salad Baked Beans Cake		
25 	26 Chicken Burrito Mandarin Oranges Cookie	27 Country Steak Whipped Potatoes w/ grav Broccoli Bread Cookie	28 Bacon wrapped Stuffed Chicken Roasted Potatoes Carrots Bread	29 Ham, Egg & Cheese Croissant (sandwich) Grapes Pastry		
						
CLOSED						

Rental Spaces

Looking for a welcoming space to host your next gathering? The Chisago County Senior Center offers a variety of rental rooms in different sizes—perfect for meetings, celebrations, dinners, and more. Whether you're planning a cozy get-together or a lively event, our inviting spaces are open to the public and ready to make your occasion special.

Dining Room Rental

Capacity: Up to 120 guests

Features: A spacious dining area with access to a fully equipped kitchen, perfect for hosting events and gatherings.

Cost: \$150 per activity

Create memorable experiences in a comfortable and accommodating space!



Activity Room Rental

Capacity: Up to 60 guests

Features: A spacious and versatile open area with durable tile flooring, a convenient countertop, a microwave, a fridge, and a sink for added ease.

Cost: \$100 per activity

Perfect for gatherings, meetings, or celebrations!



Conference Room Rental

Capacity: Up to 50 guests

Features: Equipped with four 4' square tables and 50 chairs, providing a comfortable and functional setting.

Cost: \$50 per activity

Ideal for meetings, presentations, and small gatherings!



Reservation Process

Please call us at 651-674-8658 between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to inquire about rental availability.

Rental information can be found on our website under the “Rentals” tab.

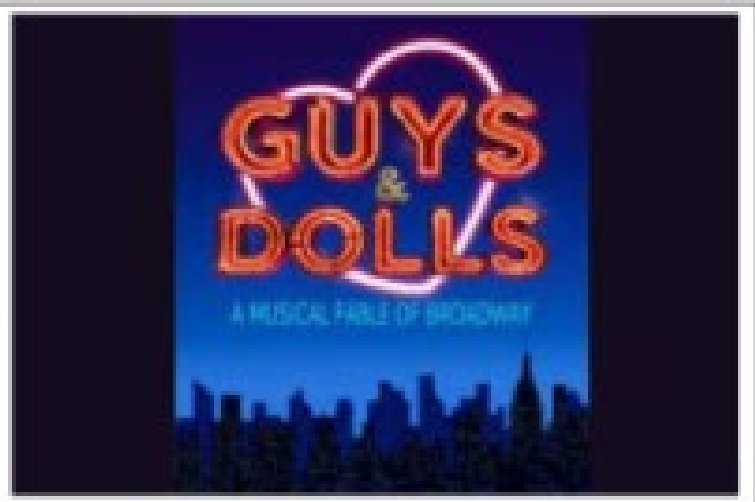
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**COMMUNITY DAY TRIP
JUNE 17, 2026**



GUYS & DOLLS – Chanhassen Dinner Theatres

Guys and Dolls, a true crowd-pleaser, featuring songs like “Luck Be a Lady,”
“A Bushel and a Peck” and “Sit Down You’re Rockin’ the Boat.”
Chanhassen Dinner Theatres brings you all the thrills, laughs and songs!

COST: \$117

This all-inclusive trip includes coach transportation, lunch, show, sales tax, and gratuity (soft drinks, alcohol, appetizers, entrée upgrades and desserts available for additional cost).

Thank you to our sponsor Williams Dingmann Family Funeral Home for their donation
and supporting our surrounding communities!

TRANSPORTATION PICK-UP/DROP-OFF LOCATIONS & TIMES:

SPEEDWAY (Park by sign/north side), 4725 Quail Road NE, Sauk Rapids: **DEPART PROMPTLY @ 8:00 AM**
Walmart (Garden Center parking lot), 300 21st Ave. North, Princeton: **DEPART PROMPTLY @ 8:40 AM**
Cambridge Senior Activity Center, 140 Buchanan St. N, Cambridge: **DEPART PROMPTLY @ 9:10 AM**
North Branch Outlets (Bath & Body), 18500 Tanger Drive, North Branch: **DEPART PROMPTLY @ 9:35 AM**

PLEASE MAIL YOUR REGISTRATION FORM AND PAYMENT TO:

Come Travel with Me/Carline Sargent, 32914 Nacre Street NW, Princeton, MN 55371
Please make checks payable to: **Come Travel with Me**
Questions call: 612-270-3403

Guys & Dolls – Chanhassen Dinner Theater, June 17, 2026 – Registration Form

First & Last Name _____ Email _____

Phone # _____ Who do you want to sit with? _____

Of tickets _____ If more than one ticket, please list names and contact information of people tickets are for:

Pick-up/drop-off location (circle one): Sauk Rapids Princeton Cambridge North Branch

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2026 - Click on the trip link for more information.

Hawaiian Adventure - <https://groups.gocollette.com/en-US/link/1338058>

Greece Island Hopper - <https://groups.gocollette.com/en-US/link/1315850>

Canadian Rockies - <https://groups.gocollette.com/en-US/link/1315916>

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Spectacular Scandinavia - <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1383959>