

May 2025

Chisago County

Senior Center News

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

TABLES around TOWN

Our annual fundraiser was a huge success! What a night it was, packed with activities, games, and delicious food. Everyone had a fantastic time, and we can't wait to make more memories next year!



500 Card Game

Every Monday &
Wednesday @ 1 pm



Live Music

Every Tuesday at 11:15

May 6 Dave Gourhan

May 13 Iron & Wood

May 20 Dennis

Schaefer

May 27 TBD

Happy Feet Foot Care

Change

They now offer services
on the 3rd Wednesday
and the 4th Thursday of
every month, from
9:00 am to 3:00 pm.
Call for an appointment
763-346-3390



CONNECT WITH US

651-674-8658

www.chisagosrcenter.org

chisagocountyseiorcenter@gmail.com

Activities at the Senior Center

Dine & Discover ***"Living with Chronic Pain"***

Tuesday May 13th, 2025

12 Noon at Zion Luth. Church, Chisago City

3:30 pm at North Branch Senior Center

Free event! Guest Speakers!

Refreshments Served!

To register, call North Branch Education:

651-674-1025

For details, go to Chisagoagewell.org

Sponsored by the Chisago Age Well



May 8th 2025

12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

4-hour in-person classes

To register, call 320-308-1400 or online

at www.DriverDiscountProgram.com

**Get up to 10% off your car insurance
for 3 years**

Classes are held at the Senior Center

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.

Bridge - Every Second Thursday from 1 pm to 4 pm, every Friday at 1:00 pm. The cost is \$1

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.

Hand, Foot, and Arm - Every Thursday, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm.

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

Left, Right, Center - Every Wednesday at 12:30 pm, \$.30 per game. Please bring your dimes!

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

Movie Day - Every Second Tuesday at 1:30 pm. Free popcorn and beverages! See the activities calendar for what is playing each month.

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

Volunteer Opportunities - Call the Senior Center for information at 651-674-8658

Give Blood

Blood Drive

At the Senior Center, Tuesday, May 27th

from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or

Visit redcrossblood.org and enter: North Branch to schedule an appointment.



SUBSCRIBE to our e-newsletter on our website: www.chisagosrcenter.org

A Heartfelt Thank You from the Chisago County Senior Center

On behalf of everyone at the Chisago County Senior Center, we extend our deepest gratitude to all of you for your generous donations. Your support enables us to continue our mission of enriching the lives of seniors in our community.

Every contribution, whether big or small, makes an impact and reminds us of the incredible kindness and commitment of our donors.

Thank you for making a difference!

Darrel & Jane Fisk

Edward Jones/Adam Cabrera

Lions Club of North Branch

Mike & Barb Nelson

M Health Fairview

Edina Realty/Lisa Nephew

American Legion Post 85

Rush City SnoBugs

Carchedi Real Estate Group

First State Bank of Wyoming

Grandstrand Funeral Homes

Bozeman-Newton Ins. Agency

Pizza Pub

Carol Stradinger

Chisago Lakes Lions Club

Tusen Tack/ Braham Event Cntr

Members Coop Credit Union

Neighborhood National Bank

Ross Sewer Service/Jeff & Rose Green

Jim and Carrie Jorgenson

Post Haste

Donna Rotherth

Kerry & Debbie Johnson

Chisago County Farm Bureau

Vern & Betty Schlipp

Jeff & LuAnne Vossen

Connie Kaiser

Forever Young Club

Experience a Unique Journey with Skyrock Farm Tour

Mark your calendars for May 20th, 2025, for a delightful adventure with Chisago Lakes Community Education at Skyrock Farm! Starting at 9:00 a.m., hop on the bus from Lakes Free Church, and leave the planning to us. Start your day with Bill's captivating storytelling, where you'll journey through tales of yesteryears, accompanied by the nostalgic sounds of giant musical relics playing timeless tunes. Indulge in a hot, home-cooked meal made from fresh local ingredients, paired with coffee, lemonade, and an irresistible dessert to sweeten your experience. The journey continues to the heated horse show barn, where you'll hear fascinating tales about the horses and their contributions to society. The adventure culminates in a high-jumping horse show that promises to leave you amazed.

This enchanting experience is yours for just \$74.00. Don't miss out on this unique day of fun and discovery!

[Skyrock Farm Tour - Chisago Lakes
Community Education](#)

Come Travel with Me

Carline Sargent

May 21st - MN Twins vs Cleveland G \$85

June 3rd – Padelford Riverboat Cruise \$85

June 25th - St Paul Saints vs Louisville \$89

Email: cometravelwme@gmail.com

Or call 612-270-3403

Flyers are on our website.

Click here for [Day Trips –](#)

Presidents Corner

Greetings from the Chisago County Senior Center. We want to take this time to acknowledge all those that supported our annual fundraiser, "Tables Around Town". To our sponsors, those that donated to our auctions and raffles, all of the attendees, and our army of volunteers, a huge heartfelt **Thank You!** All of you made it another successful fundraising event and we couldn't have done it without your continued support. The monies raised at this year's event will go towards a new color printer for the office. The board of directors strives to make smart informed decisions on how and where to spend our funds in hopes to keep the center thriving for all to enjoy its use for years to come.

Thank you all for the continued support.
Carol



Word Scramble

THEME: BALL GAMES

- 1 OBIMTDNAN _____
- 2 LAELBAB _____
- 3 LTKBLSBEAA _____
- 4 SLLIBRAID _____
- 5 OBNILGW _____
- 6 REICTKC _____
- 7 OCTERUQ _____
- 8 LODGBLDEA _____
- 9 BOOAFLLT _____
- 10 KECOYH _____
- 11 LSSCREOA _____
- 12 PNPNGOIG _____
- 13 BURG Y _____
- 14 SISKTEL _____
- 15 RNSEKOO _____
- 16 CRSCOE _____
- 17 FOBLTLA _____
- 18 HQSASU _____
- 19 SNTNIE _____
- 20 VLELLAYBO _____

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
Ruby's Pantry, Access Church, 2nd Saturday of the month. Starts at 9:30am

Miscellaneous

Arrowhead Transit, 800- 862-0175, option 13, <https://arrowheadtransit.com>
Chisago Age Well Coalition, No phone #, <https://www.chisagoagewell.org/>
Friends & Co, 612-746-0737, <https://friendsco.org/>
Lakes & Pines, 320-679-1800 <https://www.lakesandpines.org/>
Mid-Minnesota Legal Aid, Senior Law Project, 1-888-360-2889 <http://www.mylegalaid.org>
Senior Linkage Line - Board on Aging, (651) 431-2500, <https://mn.gov/senior-linkage-line/>

Please see our website for the full list of resources www.chisagosrcenter.org

Synopsis of Chisago County Board on Aging meeting on April 17, 2025

The Chisago County Board on Aging met on April 17th, 2025. A Quorum was present. The Secretary's report was approved; the Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

OLD BUSINESS

Printer replacement discussion. The discussion was on whether the center should buy a new printer or lease one. The board voted on purchasing a new printer with a maintenance plan agreement.

Floors cleaned: The floor in the activity room was cleaned, waxed, and buffed by a crew from St. Gregory's church. They did an outstanding job

NEW BUSINESS

Reminder of blood drive in May: The next blood drive at the Center will be on May 27th. Fliers are up, and some have been sent out. Recruitment: Now is the time for us to start thinking about recruitment for the Center. There will be positions open for the board committee.

COMMITTEES

TAT: This event is set for 4/26/25 at 5:00 pm. The theme is It's Derby Time. Will need people to help set up and take down. A Safety Committee was formed: The committee has started making an inventory of the rooms and seeing if there are areas of concern. If so, they will be addressed.

ACTIVITIES

Potluck: Carol S. shared that there were 27 participants and \$76 was donated. Exercise: Is going well. Games: 500, cribbage, hand and foot, bingo, and dominoes are all well attended. Right, Left, Center game: Wednesdays at 1:00. Music: It's going well. Movie Day: There were 11 people at the last movie. The Six Triple Eight was the movie.

OFFICE REPORT

Things are going well. The Township and City letters have been sent out by Carol Stradinger. These are sent out annually.

MEDIA SPECIALIST

Changes are going well. Have deadlines to meet to get all the info in after TAT.

For a more complete version of the board meeting minutes, click here [Board Meeting Minutes -](#)

Chisago County Historical Society

The museum features an extensive variety of permanent and rotating collections that highlight the area's heritage. The old-time style store is filled with unique Scandinavian and Lindström-themed gifts, candy, accessories, and more. A research library is also on-site.

Open: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Noon- 4 pm,
Saturdays 10 am-4 pm

Address: 12795 Lake Blvd., Lindstrom, MN 55045.

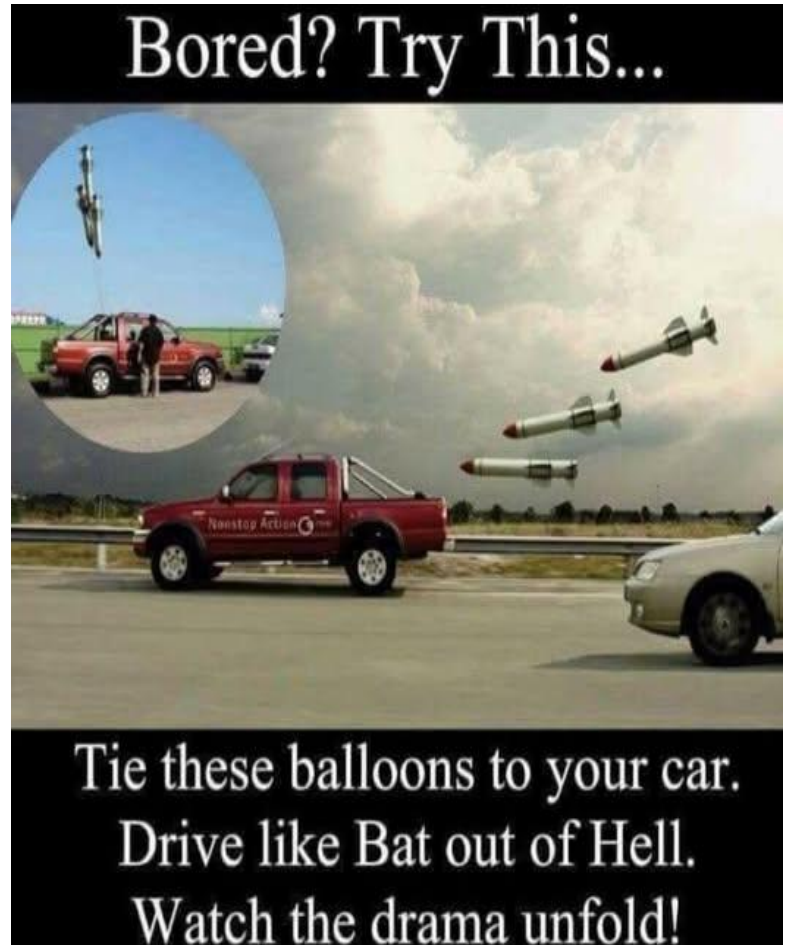
Phone: 651-257-5310

Website: <https://www.chisagocountyhistory.org/>





A teacher was trying to make use of her psychology courses. She started her class by saying, "Everyone who thinks they're stupid, stand up!" After a few seconds, Little Larry stood up. The teacher said, "Do you think you're stupid, Larry?" No, ma'am, but I hate to see you standing there all by yourself.



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Mission Statement

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

Board of Directors:

Carol Gilquist, President

Betty Anderson Schlipp, Vice President

Terry Reyer, Secretary

Todd Fisk, Treasurer

Directors: Barb Cuppett, Carol Stradinger,

Cathy Buda, Connie Jaques, Henry Scott,

Connie Kaiser, Gwen Swenson, Marge

Scheele & Pam Schultz

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

OPEN TO ALL!

Puzzle Answers:

Theme: Ball Games

01 BADMINTON, 02 BASEBALL, 03 BASKETBALL, 04 BILLIARDS, 05 BOWLING, 06 CRICKET, 07 CROQUET, 08 DODGEBALL, 09 FOOTBALL, 10 HOCKEY, 11 LACROSSE, 12 PING PONG, 13 RUGBY, 14 SKITTLES, 15 SNOOKER, 16 SOCCER, 17 SOFTBALL, 18 SQUASH, 19 TENNIS, 20 VOLLEYBALL

Senior Center Activities

Office Hours are Monday - Friday 8 am to 1 pm



Website: www.chisagosrcenter.org E-mail: chisagocountyseniorcenter@gmail.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			 May 2025	1 10:00 Bingo 12:30 Hand, Foot & Arm	2 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage	3
4	5 10:30 Exercise 1:00 500 Cards	6 10:00 Dominos 11:15 Music - Dave Gourhan	7 10:30 Exercise 12:30 Left, Right, Ctr 1:00 500 Cards	8 10:00 Bingo 12:00 Driving Class 12:30 Hand, Foot & Arm 1:00 Bridge	9 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage	10
11 	12 10:30 Exercise 1:00 500 Cards	13 10:00 Dominos 11:15 Music - Iron & Wood 1:30 Movie 3:30 Dine & Disc	14 10:30 Exercise 12:30 Left, Right, Ctr 1:00 500 Cards	15 9:30 Board Mtg 10:00 Bingo 12:00 Driver Class 12:30 Hand, Foot & Arm	16 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage	17
18 12:30 Pot Luck	19 10:30 Exercise 1:00 500 Cards	20 10:00 Dominos 11:15 Music - Dennis Schaefer	21 10:30 Exercise 12:30 Left, Right, Ctr 1:00 500 Cards Happy Feet	22 10:00 Bingo 12:30 Hand, Foot & Arm Happy Feet	23 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage	24
25	26 No Activities  Memorial Day	27 9:00 Blood Drive 10:00 Dominos 11:15 Music - TBD	28 9:00 Blood Drive 10:30 Exercise 12:30 Left, Right, Ctr 1:00 500 Cards	29 10:00 Bingo 12:30 Hand, Foot & Arm	30 10:30 Exercise 1:00 Cribbage	31

Catholic Charities Senior Dining Menu

May 2025

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

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<p>Milk is served with every meal. Menu is subject to change. Dining/MOW closure announcements: WCMP 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>						
5 Shepherd's Pie Peas Peaches Bread	6 BBQ Chicken on a Bun Tator Tots 3 Bean Salad	7 Pizza Casserole Corn Oranges Bread	8 Tilapia Rice Pilaf Peaches Broccoli Bread	9 Sausage, Egg & Cheese Biscuit (sandwich) Applesauce Yogurt Cup		
12 Hamburger Stroganoff Noodles Vegetable Blend Peas Bread	13 Flatbread Pizza Corn Brownie	14 Baked Pork Chop Whipped Potatoes w/ Gravy Peas Bread	15 Chicken Ala King over 1 biscuit Carrots Cookie	16 Macaroni & Cheese Beef Brisket Broccoli Spiced Apples Bread		
19 Sweet & Sour Pork Rice Oriental Vegetables Mandarin Oranges Bread	20 Baked Chicken O'Brien Potatoes Carrots Bread	21 Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Noodles Green Beans Bun or Breadstick	22 Sloppy Joe on bun Tator Tots Coleslaw	23 Pork Tenderloin Cheesy Potatoes Vegetable Normandy Bread		
26  memorial DAY CLOSED	27 Cheeseburger German Potato Salad Pears	28 Swedish Meatballs over Noodles Mixed Vegetables Pineapple Bread	29 BBQ Ribs Potatoes O'Brien Corn Bread	30 Chicken Rice Casserole Peas Peaches Bread		

Community Center Rental Facility

Looking for the perfect place to host your next event? The Community Center offers a variety of room sizes, ideal for meetings, parties, and dinners. Everyone in the community is welcome, and we're excited to help make your event a memorable success!

Contact us at 651-674-8658

The Dining Room

Host your next event in our spacious and welcoming dining room, which can accommodate up to 75 guests! For just \$150 per activity, take advantage of the convenient kitchen. Make unforgettable memories with us!



Activity Room

Our spacious, tile-floored Activity Room is ideal for exercise classes, card games, and more. It comfortably accommodates up to 50 guests and includes a small kitchen for your convenience. Rent this fantastic space for just \$100 per activity.



Our Cozy Conference Room

Accommodates up to 20 people and comes with internet access. Rent it for just \$50 per activity. Come and make your gathering a success with us!



Nurse's Room

Discover our inviting Nurse's Room—perfect for small meetings or consultations. Rent it for just \$20 per activity and enjoy a comfortable, private space. Join us and take advantage of this affordable, welcoming option!

