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Subject: Community Center Newsworthy

- **Community Center Events**

AAU MN Taekwondo Tournament on Saturday, April 9, 2022

- Grandmaster Lee's World Taekwondo Academy returned for the AAU MN Taekwondo Tournament for the first time since the pandemic. An estimated 300 youth and parents gathered in the Gymnasium to showcase their taekwondo skills and athleticism. Grandmaster Lee's is a martial arts school in Maple Grove. One attendee commented, "Feels so great to see people competing again! Pilsung!".
 - o <https://www.facebook.com/wta4u/videos/400334421537867>

World Cube Association MN Cube Melt 2022 on Saturday, April 9, 2022

- A new community event was hosted in the Banquet Room with several competitors racing to solve Rubik's cubes. An estimated 200 people were in attendance during the 11-hour event. Youth from the Twin Cities metro area came together to compete in "speed cubing".

Minnesota Home Show on Saturday, March 19, 2022

- Minnesota Home Shows returned to the Maple Grove Community Center utilizing the Banquet Room, Gymnasium, and Maze Lobby areas for home improvement vendors to connect with the community. 107 vendors were present with high traffic throughout the building during the show hours of 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. This group will return in November for their fall home show and are planning on re-introducing a health and wellness show next spring.

- **Projects in the Community Center**

-Teen center had the annual shut down the week of March 11 for three days to do a detailed cleaning, paint and repairs. The shutdown projects involved parkkeepers, part-time staff and full-time staff.

-Due to an unexpected water pipe leak under the pool deck, the pools were forced to close for 5 days. Staff used this time to take care of projects in the mechanical room and deep cleaning.

- **Ice Arena Highlights**

-Ice Arena will be very busy as every weekend until Memorial Day there is a tournament scheduled.

-The skating school held a very successful ice show after a few years' hiatus due to the pandemic. There were two shows held Saturday, April 16 at 1pm and 6pm. A lot of work is put in behind the scenes by ice arena and skating school staff.

- **Memberships**

After two challenging years we are seeing an increase every month for the monthly billing option memberships. These figures are not showing our full membership numbers but the ones that have opted for the monthly billing option. This is very encouraging for staff and we will continue to look for ways to grow the membership program.

| November | December | January | February | March |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| \$4,867.97 | \$5,150.86 | \$5,684.48 | \$6,238.33 | \$6,860.92 |
| 172 members | 177 members | 198 members | 227 members | 256 members |