

# COMMUNITYLINK NEWSLETTER

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## MARCH 2020

- **Mon Mar 2nd—**  
**Planning & Zoning 7:00 pm**
- **Mon Mar 9th—**  
**City Council 7:00 pm**
- **Mon Mar 23rd—**  
**EDA 4:30 pm**
- **Mon Mar 23rd—**  
**City Council 7:00 pm**

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Annual Fix a Leak Week is March 16 through 22, 2020. Fix a Leak Week is celebrated each year as a reminder to check household fixtures and irrigation systems for leaks.

Common types of leaks found in the home are worn toilet flappers, dripping faucets, and other leaking valves. These types of leaks are often easy to fix, requiring only a few tools and hardware that can pay for themselves in water savings. Fixing easily corrected household water leaks can save homeowners about 10 percent on their water bills.

### HERE ARE SOME TIPS FOR FINDING LEAKS:

- Take a look at your water usage during a colder month, such as January or February. If a family of four exceeds 12,000 gallons per month, there are serious leaks.
- Check your water meter before and after a two-hour period when no water is being used. If the meter changes at all, you probably have a leak.
- Identify toilet leaks by placing a drop of food coloring in the toilet tank. If any color shows up in the bowl after 10 minutes, you have a leak. (Be sure to flush immediately after the experiment to avoid staining the tank.)
- Examine faucet gaskets and pipe fittings for any water on the outside of the pipe to check for surface leaks.



In mid-March, homes across the country will begin receiving invitations to complete the 2020 Census. Once the invitation arrives, you should respond for your home in one of three ways: online, by phone, or by mail. For more information go to <https://2020census.gov>

The 2020 Presidential Primary is Tuesday, March 3, 2020. Find detailed information about registering to vote, voting early by mail or in person and finding your polling place at <https://www.sos.state.mn.us>



## SHOVELING— HYDRANTS, SIDEWALK RAMPS & STORM DRAINS

If there is a **fire hydrant** near your house, please keep it accessible. In an emergency, every second counts.



Remove any snow and ice from the hydrant, clear a wide enough perimeter around the hydrant for firefighters to work (about 3 feet), and clear a path from the street to the hydrant.

Sidewalks need to be cleared as quickly and completely as possible after a snowfall (within 24 hours). Please do not forget about **sidewalk curb ramps** on corner lots and other curb cutouts. Residents are responsible for providing access from the street onto the sidewalk.

Please also clear away any snow that may be blocking a **storm drain** so when the thawing temperatures arrive the melting snow will clear the streets without creating large puddles and street flooding.

**In Case of Emergency:**  
Ambulance (Non Emergency) 507-867-4446  
Police (Non Emergency) 507-867-3331  
Chatfield Public Library 507-867-3480



**BSA Troop 43 "Liberty Project"**  
 BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA | PO Box 464 | Chatfield, MN 55923 | 507-272-9650 | ScoutmasterT43@gmail.com  
 Facebook | Chatfield Scout Pack/Troop 43

BSA Troop 43 "Liberty Project" Scouts will be coming around soon, to ask if you'd like to help support scouting by having them place an American Flag in your yard. The cost is \$50 for 5 holidays. If you have any questions, please contact us at Scoutmastert43@gmail.com or 507-272-9650

*coming to* **Potter Auditorium**  
*main stage*

**Ruth Moody**  
 of the Wailin' Jennys  
**March 11**  
 7:30pm

**TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE \$29 advance, \$34 at the door**

**CHATFIELD CENTER FOR THE ARTS**  
 CHATFIELDARTS.ORG | 507.884.7676

This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Southeastern Minnesota Arts Council thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts & cultural heritage fund.

**Empty Bowls Fundraiser**

An international grassroots movement to help end hunger sponsored by the Chatfield High School Service Club, Chatfield Community Food Shelf, and area churches

**Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>**  
 5:00 to 7:00 pm  
 Chatfield High School Cafeteria  
 205 Union Street NE, Chatfield

Please come enjoy a bowl of soup, and receive a bowl decorated by our local youth  
 Free will donation  
 Proceeds to benefit Chatfield Community and Fillmore County Food Shelves

the **chosen bean** presents  
**Brooks Williams**

**March 14**

\$20 in Advance  
 \$22 at the door

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*A Midsummer Nights Dream*  
**March 21**

**TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE \$15 advance, \$20 at the door**

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**Killer Vees**  
**Killer COUNTRY**

classic songs from the golden age of county  
**March 28**  
 7:30pm

**TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE \$33 - \$29 in Advance**

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**Commercial & Industrial Land For Sale**



Commercial and Industrial lots on Enterprise Drive SE (formerly called Industrial Drive) are available for development. There are thirteen lots to choose from (it may be possible to combine lots). Lot sizes range from about 21,000 square feet to 36,000 square feet. This area lends itself well to trade shops, warehousing, distribution, light manufacturing or similar business uses. Please help spread the word. Call or e-mail Chris with the Chatfield Economic Development Authority for more information [cgiesen@ci.chatfield.mn.us](mailto:cgiesen@ci.chatfield.mn.us) or 507-867-3810.

**#COUNTONLIBRARIES**

Everyone has access to census assistance and online public computers at the Chatfield Public Library.