



# COMMUNITY LINK

JANUARY 2012

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*While it might seem difficult to anticipate when the plows might go out, this allows residents to make the most use of the streets as possible, rather than implementing even-odd parking or winter parking bans.*

*Parking tickets may be issued and cars may be towed if parked cars interfere with snowplowing or snow removal.*



## Some helpful winter reminders

The City makes every effort to keep the streets clean and safe during the winter. The best way that residents can help is by making sure there are no vehicles or trailers sitting in the street when the plows come by. **Please, if it is about to snow, move your vehicles off the street.**

In order to allow residents to make the most use of the streets as possible, the City Council has chosen not to enforce even-odd parking or to totally prohibit parking during the winter months. Instead, residents are allowed to use the streets all winter long but vehicles must not be left in the way of the snowplow. If a plow driver must plow around a vehicle, a ticket may be issued. While it might seem difficult to anticipate when the plows might go out, this is the only

way to allow the most use of the streets as possible. If it is about to snow, please, move your vehicles off the street.



It is that time of year to get those snowmobiles ready for the upcoming season. Remember while in town you must:

- \* Drive on the right side of the roadway.
- \* Bring the snowmobile to a complete stop at every intersection, before crossing a street, whether or not it has a stop sign.
- \* Obey the posted speed limits. Ride in a direct route to and from the trail.
- \* Stay off / avoid driving on city sidewalks.
- \* Unless on a designated trail, stay out of City parks, as snowmobiles are prohibited.
- \* Must have permission to operate on someone else's private property.
- \* Remember to be respectful and courteous to others.

Have a fun, safe winter.



**Sidewalks need to be cleared as quickly and completely as possible, after a snowfall (within 24 hours).** Downtown business owners need to clear the entire sidewalk, from the building to the curb. Please keep downtown safe, convenient & inviting.

Homeowners need to clear the public sidewalk in front of their home. Please respect the safety and convenience of your neighbors and keep the sidewalks clear.

## SNOW REMOVAL FROM FIRE HYDRANTS



Chatfield's volunteer fire department is asking residents for help clearing snow from fire hydrants. If you have a hydrant on or near your property please take time to clear snow from the hydrant. This will allow rapid access to water, helping firefighters do their jobs quickly.

Keeping fire hydrants visible and easily accessible can save precious time and potentially save precious lives and property. Thank you for your cooperation.

## CITY OF CHATFIELD

[www.ci.chatfield.mn.us](http://www.ci.chatfield.mn.us)

21 Second Street SE Chatfield, MN 55923

Phone: 507-867-3810

Fax: 507-867-9093

In Case of Emergency:

9-1-1

Ambulance (Non Emergency)

507-867-4446

Police (Non Emergency)

507-867-3331

Chatfield Public Library

507-867-3480

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Saturday,  
Jan. 28th

Hosted by Chatfield Lions

General Questions—  
Kris Bradt, RRSB 867-4120

**POLAR PLUNGE**

2:00 p.m. Mill Creek Park—Third St. Bridge  
Dave Dudek-867-3856

**SALSA & CHILI CONTEST**

3:00– 4:00 p.m. Pioneer Presbyterian Church  
Entries accepted from 3:00– 4:00. Judging @ 4:00

**CHILI SUPPER**

4:30– 6:30 p.m. Pioneer Presbyterian Church  
Pam Blukm-867-3870

**CANDLELIGHT SNOW SHOE WALK**

[www.bluffcountryhikingclub.org](http://www.bluffcountryhikingclub.org)  
5:30– 6:30 p.m. Groen Park Shelter  
Jim Gossman-867-4120 Bluff Country Hiking Club

**COLD CASH BINGO**

6:00 p.m. St. Mary's Catholic Church  
St. Francis/Catherine Division—Karen Huckstadt

**BLT—CHOSEN BEAN CONCERT**

[www.chosenbeanconcerts.org](http://www.chosenbeanconcerts.org)  
7:30– 9:30 p.m. Chatfield Center for the Arts—  
American Legion Room  
Tickets \$10.00 available at the door

**UTILITY BILL  
PAYMENT OPTIONS**

City utility bill payment options—

- 1. Auto Pay**—Sign up to have your utility bill withdrawn from your bank account each month. Call Mary to request a sign-up form.

- 2. Online**— Payments can be made online—visit [www.ci.chatfield.mn.us](http://www.ci.chatfield.mn.us)

- 3. Mail**—City of Chatfield, 21 SE Second Street, Chatfield, MN 55923

- 4. Drop Box**—Use the payment drop box on the front side of City Hall on Second Street.

- 5. In Person**—At the Clerks Office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday—Friday.

- 6. Over the phone**—You may call in with a credit or debit card to make

 your payment.

Questions? Contact Mary at 867-3810

**JANUARY 2012**

- Tue Jan 3rd— P&Z 7:00 pm
- Mon Jan 9th— City Council 7:00 pm
- Wed Jan 11th- CCTV Board 7:00 am
- Mon Jan 23rd—City Council 7:00 pm
- Thu Jan 26th—EDA 5:30 pm

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