

# COMMUNITY LINK

DECEMBER 2011

#### SHOP LOCAL, SHOP CHATFIELD!!

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## **Items for Sale**

\$10

Periodically, the City sells items
that it no longer needs.

Currently, there are a few vehicles that had been impounded that are now being sold.

To view those vehicles, or to see any other items that the City might be selling, please go to

www.publicsurplus.com.



It has long been understood that one gredients to a healthy economy is the practice of local

trading, local purchasing. The more that people think local and act local, the stronger that locality becomes.

According to recent studies that have been made public by Lee Egerstrom of MINNESOTA 2020, the act of buying local can make a tremendous impact on the local economy. According to Egerstrom's article, for every \$1 spent with a local, independent business, 68 cents stays home and circulating in the Minnesota economy. For every \$1 spent at a national chain that does not have headquarters in the state, 43 cents stays behind to boost the local economy.

Findings from the report, according to Egerstrom, found that, if Minnesotans spent 25 percent of their holiday shopping budget on Minnesota made products, the impact would ripple through the economy like a tidal wave, infusing more than \$2 billion into the state economy. Even a 10 percent increase in purchases of local products would stimulate employment and increase purchases from local suppliers.

Similar impacts could be made right here in Chatfield and the entire southeast Minnesota region. There are many locally produced products, ranging from food items to clothing to durable goods and there are certainly many local merchants who provide valuable goods and services that residents need.

Give your local merchants a chance; you will be pleased at what you find and the local benefits will be very real. Shop Chatfield.

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#### CITY OF CHATFIELD

**21 Southeast Second Street Chatfield, MN 55923 Phone:** 507-867-3810

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In Case of Emergency: 9-1-1

Ambulance Office (Non Emergency)
Police Office (Non Emergency)
Chatfield Public Library

507-867-4446 507-867-3331 507-867-3480

### Milk & Cookies with Santa

#### Saturday, December 3rd 8:00 AM — 12:00 PM



Thurber Municipal Building— Community Room 21 SE 2nd Street Mom & Dad...bring your camera! Sponsored by— Chatfield Commercial Club

# Meet & Greet Santa Claus



Friday, December 16th, 2011 5:00—8:00 PM Thurber Municipal Building—21 SE 2nd Street Training Room

Sponsored by Chatfield Ambulance Crew. Coloring contest entry, games, face painting, cookie decorating and photos with Santa!

Ho Ho Ho!

#### "Almost Home" Holiday Show



Saturday, December 3rd 7:30 PM Chatfield Center for the Arts Tickets 218-537-0589 \$23 Advance / \$26 Day of Show

www.greatnorthshowproviders.com

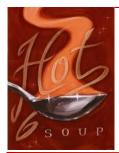


#### HOLIDAY CONCERT

CHATFIELD BRASS BAND & COMMUNITY CHOIR



Sun. Dec 4th 3:30 PM Chatfield Center for the Arts



Sunday, December 4th Chatfield Center for the Arts 4:00 - 6:00 PM \$6.00

Chatfield Commercial Club Scholarship Fund Fundraiser Proceeds go to the Scholarship Fund

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Reserve Saturday, January 28th for a day filled with winter festivities! The Chatfield Lions Club will once again host the Chatfield Chill Fest Celebration. Chill Fest will take place in Chatfield on Saturday, January 22nd and will once again feature the Polar Plunge along with a variety of festivities in the chill village.

The Chatfield Lions Club is encouraging all community businesses, organizations and individuals to **take the plunge.** To schedule a Chill Fest Event contact Kris Bradt at 867-4120.