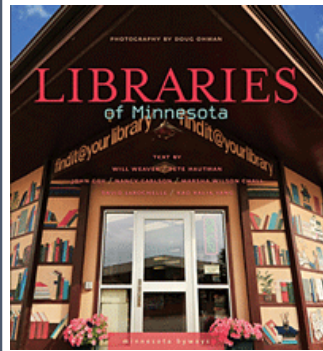


CITY OF CHATFIELD

COMMUNITY LINK

MAY 2011

PRESENTATION AND BOOK SIGNING EVENT— featuring photographer, DOUG OHMAN



Our library is included in the new book **LIBRARIES OF MINNESOTA**. Come ... sit and relax at a table set for tea and enjoy Mr. Ohman's fascinating visual and verbal presentation while nibbling sweet treats and dainty desserts! (For those who don't care for tea, there'll be coffee and sparkling cider as well.)

**Thursday, April 28th—7pm
at the Chatfield Public Library**

Doug Ohman, well known photographer for the *Minnesota Byways* series, turns his camera to this most beloved institution in his new book **Libraries of Minnesota**. From cozy structures near small-town parks to impressive buildings in metropolitan downtowns, public libraries stand at the center of community and learning in Minnesota's landscape. This book celebrates these architectural icons and the joy of reading they have inspired in Minnesotans, present and past. Along with the photographs are library stories by seven of Minnesota's best known writers of books for children and young adults that testify to the special significance of libraries in their lives.

Photographer Doug Ohman's work is featured in the *Minnesota Byways* series, which includes Barns of Minnesota, Churches of Minnesota, Courthouses of Minnesota and Schoolhouses of Minnesota ... all available here at the library. Libraries of Minnesota will be here soon! Come check them out!

Libraries of Minnesota. Photographs by Doug Ohman, text by Will Weaver, Pete Hautman, John Coy, Nancy Carlson, Marsha Wilson Chall, David LaRochelle, and Kao Kalia Yang; Cloth book, 128 pages, 8 x 9, 120 color photos, index; Publisher: MHS Press (May 2011)

Thank you MELSA (Metropolitan Library Service Agency) for funding Mr. Ohman's visit to our library!

MAY 2011

- **Mon May 2nd—Planning & Zoning 7:00 pm**
- **Mon May 9th—City Council 7:00 pm**
- **Mon May 23rd—City Council 7:00 pm**
- **Thu May 26th EDA 5:30 pm**

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BRUSH & LEAF DUMP



West on Cty. Rd. 2 at the stop lights. Take the first gravel road after the Root River Bridge (Mind Drive). You will find a gate to the dump on the right side of the road.

Brush, leaves & grass clippings only please!

Wednesday 1:00—3:00 & 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Friday 1:00- 4:00 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

This service is provided for the convenient disposal of **yard waste only**. Because some people have been leaving other materials, the dump will not be left open. It will only be open during the posted hours. If you have hazardous waste, such as oil or paint, contact your county for disposal information. An annual collection of Household Hazardous Waste is also provided each fall behind the fire hall. Thank you.

NOXIOUS WEEDS



Tall grasses and noxious weeds must be controlled within the city of Chatfield. Grasses or weeds taller than eight (8) inches in height (or that have gone to seed) are in violation. It is also a violation to allow any noxious weeds, as defined by Minnesota Statute, to grow within the city. Noxious weeds include Field Bindweed, Hemp, Purple Loosestrife, Garlic Mustard, Poison Ivy, Leafy Spurge, Perennial Sow Thistle, Bull Thistle, Canadian Thistle, Musk Thistle and Plume less Thistle.

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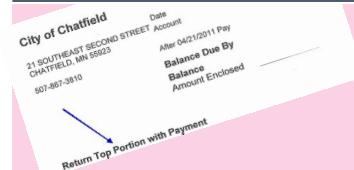
Grower's Market—Every Thursday May—October 3:00—

7:00 City Park. Support Local Growers. Fresh produce, baked goods, jams, jellies flowers and more!

City-Wide Garage Sales—

Saturday, May 7th—7:00 am Sponsored by Chatfield Commercial Club.

UTILITY BILL



Please return the top portion of your utility bill with your payment. It helps ensure that your payment gets applied to the proper account. Your bill may be paid on line at www.ci.chatfield.mn.us or sign up for automatic bill payment by contacting Mary at 867-3810.

An Update from the EDA—

Chatfield Center for the Arts

Although just 14 months have passed since the EDA took ownership of the former elementary school, the place has been bustling with activity. Lorie Line will be appearing at the facility on May 1st which will be followed by a concert by Todd Green on May 15 and, on May 20th and 21st, the Chatfield High School will present *Canterville Ghost* as its spring play. In addition, businesses and others have been using the American Legion Room for private functions. The facility is available for rent for parties, business meetings, graduations, etc.



A very significant event will begin shortly, as contractors move in to remove the 1954 classroom building yet this spring. While the community has enjoyed that building for soapbox derbies, pancake breakfasts and other activities over the years, it has been determined that the building has served its purpose within the community and could, in fact, be detrimental to the effort to preserve and enhance the auditori-

um and the 1916 school building. A considerable amount of information has been reviewed in regards to the condition of the 1954 building and consideration has been given as to the best way to design the property so that it nicely complements the park and other elements in that area. While this building has served us well in the past, the cost of renovating it, heating it, insuring it, etc., represents a liability that

threatens the entire property – the cost of improving and maintaining the auditorium and school is daunting enough as it is. Once removed, the sight lines to the park and downtown will open up and an open air plaza will result. A number of grants have been received, assisting with the purchase of items such as a coffee maker, popcorn popper, tables and chairs,

carpeting and so forth, all of which make the buildings more useable by the community. We continue to work for funding assistance from the state and federal governments to help with this effort. Preserving and improving these worthy buildings is our obligation to honor our predecessors and serve the community.

Recently, an architect was retained to help create a master plan and refine the vision for the center. They bring incredible experience and we look forward to working with them.

The EDA is firmly behind this project not only as a historic renovation/arts project but just as importantly an economic development project. It is felt that this Arts Center is the best opportunity to help revitalize our downtown. We envision the hustle and bustle of people coming to this venue to also patronize the numerous one-of-a-kind shops that will keep Chatfield unique.

CITY WIDE CLEAN UP—

BEGINS MONDAY MAY 9TH

Place items curbside.

- **Household hazardous waste will not be picked up** (tires, batteries, fluorescent bulbs).
- **Appliances, televisions and computer monitors always need a sticker.** These will be

picked up on Thursday, May 12th. **This is open to city residents only.** This is a valued but expensive service intended to help with large, bulky, non-compactable

items. Clothing and other items that can fit into the regular yellow bags should be placed in one.

Please do not abuse this service. Thank you.

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Chatfield Center for the Arts

Historic Potter Auditorium

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2011

May
SUNDAY—1ST
LORIE LINE
& HER FAB FIVE
The 2011
Intimate Evening Series



Dear Fans,
 I am excited to announce **THE 2011 INTIMATE EVENING SERIES**. We are traveling to 19 cities this spring, and hope you will be able to come out and enjoy a BRAND NEW SHOW that features music from TWO BRAND NEW ALBUMS! Yes, I will be playing music from Serendipity, my all original album and also VOGUE, which will be hot off the press!

The spring tour is special to me as it is always very intimate and up-close. I'm bringing just five musicians, or my "Fab Five" as I affectionately call them. It is also the one time of year that I have the opportunity to meet and greet fans in the lobby following the show. So, bring your camera and CDs/Music Books for personalized autographs.

I look forward to seeing you when I stop in your town!

Michelle

Show Times & Tickets ~

7:00 PM—ALL SEATS \$ 38
1-800-801-5463 (LINE)
WWW.LORIELINE.COM

May
SUNDAY—15TH
TODD GREEN
CONCERT
Sponsored by
Chatfield Public Library



Funded in whole or part by
Minnesota's Arts &
Cultural Heritage Fund

Be prepared to be astounded as Todd Green fills Potter Auditorium with the sounds of Middle Eastern Oud, Kemanche, South American Charango and Zamponia, East Indian Tablas and Santoor. These and many other ethnic instruments from the Middle East, Central Asia, India, China and South America will be played by multi-instrumentalist Todd Green at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 15th, 2011 at Potter Auditorium, Chatfield Center for the Arts. The concert will be preceded by a half-hour quiet, strings-only, live prelude. The concert is free and all are invited.

2:00 PM
FREE ADMISSION
PRELUDE 1:30 P.M.
CONCERT 2:00 P.M.

May
FRI—20TH & SAT 21ST
CANTERVILLE
GHOST
Written By: Claudia Haas
Directed By: Rachel Schieffelin



Presented by Chatfield High School

The Canterville Ghost is a popular short story by Oscar Wilde adapted for the stage by Claudia Haas.

Haunting isn't what it used to be. Or so finds the Canterville ghost when a family of "obnoxious" Americans move into his English manor. Not only are they stubbornly unafraid of him, the children seem to find him a bit of a joke and find no end of ways to terrorize him. A fun, spooky comedy. Oscar Wilde's story is also a sweet tale of the power of love and forgiveness.

7:00 PM
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR
\$5.00— ADULTS

May
MONDAY—30TH
MEMORIAL DAY
PROGRAM
Sponsored by
Veterans of Foreign Wars,



Giese-Kelsey Post 6913
and the American Legion,
Bailey-Kinnear Post 197

The memorial day program honors those who have died in service to our country. It is a time to observe, reflect and be thankful for the things we take for granted at times, like freedom and the other rights given to us under the Bill of Rights.

DISPLAY OF FLAGS
 PARADE ASSEMBLE AT MAIN AND 1ST
 MARCH TO POTTER AUDITORIUM
 MEMORIAL PROGRAM AT POTTER AUDITORIUM
 RECESS TO VETERANS MEMORIAL IN CITY PARK
 RIFLE SALUTE
 TAPS

FREE ADMISSION
7:00 AM DISPLAY OF FLAGS
9:50 AM PARADE ASSEMBLY
10:00 AM MEMORIAL PROGRAM

June
FRI—17TH & SAT 18TH
THE BATTLE CRY
OF FREEDOM
A Tribute
to Civil War Soldiers



150 years ago this June, the "Chatfield Boys" marched out of their hometown and into Civil War history. They would take Vicksburg with Grant and Atlanta with Sherman; they stood with Thomas at Chickamauga and they marched to sea.

On June 17th and 18th, at 7:30 pm, at the Chatfield Center for the Arts, Wits' End Theatre will present **The Battle Cry of Freedom**, a tribute to the soldiers of the Civil War in the stories they told and the songs they sang. The tunes of the Civil War—"Tramp, Tramp, Tramp," "When Johnny Comes Marching Home," "The Battle Cry of Freedom," "Marching Through Georgia," "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" and more—are inspiring, poignant and woven deep into the fabric of our country. And the letters and stories these young Minnesotans sent home vividly describe the tragedies and triumphs, sorrows and humor of the common soldier in America's most transformative national experience.

On June 17th and 18th, in the hometown of the Chatfield Boys, "rally 'round the flag" at **The Battle Cry of Freedom!**

7:30 PM
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR
\$5.00 / \$3.00 TWELVE AND UNDER