

CITY OF CHATFIELD

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Playground Equipment Renewal Project

A grass roots project to update and rejuvenate the playground equipment in our central park is underway. This project is being spearheaded by Sue Greiner a Chatfield resident.

The central city park has always been central to the lives of the citizens of Chatfield, as a gathering place for families, churches, and various festivals & concerts throughout the year. The current playground equipment provides enjoyment for visitors and locals alike. It also does double duty, being shared by the elementary school adjoining the park.

Unfortunately, some if not all of the equipment is at least 15—20 years old and no longer adheres to current standards. Even though we all know that injuries can occur anywhere, at anytime, regardless of the age of the playground equipment, and that state of the art equipment cannot substitute for proper adult supervision, there is an increased risk of injury to the children using older equipment.

According to the National Program for Playground Safety; each year approximately 205,860 preschool and elementary children receive emergency care for injuries that occur on playground equipment. 76% of those injuries happened on public playground equipment. Of injuries involving public equipment about 45% occurred in schools and about 31% occurred in public parks. Approximately 15% of the injuries were classified as sever with 3% requiring hospitalization.

The equipment in Chatfield's central park is due for an update to modern, safe and age ap-

propriate equipment. Updated equipment will enhance the imaginations, increase the safety and enjoyment of the children using the equipment as well add beauty to the park.

The current idea is to model the park after one constructed last year in Rochester at Soldiers Field. Details and photos of that project can be seen online at http://www.kiwanisrochester.org/Playground.htm

To learn more about the company that orchestrated and designed the Soldiers Field

project go to http://www.leathersassociates.com/. The also have a playground in Zumbrota.

The group who is working on this project is in the process of looking for enthusiastic volunteers to form a steering committee to get this project off the ground. Please contact Sue Greiner at 867-0119 or Shannon Glenzinski at 867-3439 if you would like to become part of this GRASS ROOTS project.



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JULY 2006

Mon Jul 3rd— Planning & Zoning @ 7:00 pm

Mon Jul 10th— City Council @ 7:00 pm

Mon Jul 17th- Heritage Preservation Commission @ 6:30 pm

Mon Jul 24th- City Council @ 7:00 pm

Thu Jul 27th- Economic Development Authority @ 5:30 pm

AUGUST 2006

Mon Aug 7th— Planning & Zoning @ 7:00 pm

Mon Aug 14th— City Council @ 7:00 pm

Mon Aug 21st- Heritage Preservation Commission @ 6:30 pm

• Thu Aug 24th- Economic Development Authority @ 5:30 pm

Mon Aug 28th- City Council @ 7:00 pm



Brush & Leaf Dump Hours

* Wednesdays 1:00 PM — 3:00 PM & 5:00 PM — 7:00 PM

* Fridays 1:00 PM — 4:00 PM

* Saturdays 10:00 AM — 4:00 PM Brush, leaves and grass clippings only, please!!!



TUESDAY

AUGUST 1, 2006

Join the Tradition!! Tuesday, August 1, 2006 6:30—8:30 at Central Park

Chatfield, along with communities across the country will be celebrating National Night Out. This event is sponsored nationally by the National Association of Town Watch and locally by the Chatfield Police Department.

National Night Out is designed to

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness
- Increase support for local crime prevention efforts
- Strengthen community spirit & policecommunity relationships
- Send a message to criminals that our community is organized and fighting back against crime

You are invited to join local neighbors, police officers, EMTs and volunteer firefighters in the park on Tuesday, August 1st to get to know one another and to show your support. The kids will enjoy the trucks & lights, too!

Root beer floats will be served again this year! Remember to turn your outside light on to show support for National Night Out.

Community Events!!!

Grower's Market

Get fresh flowers, plants and other goodies each Thursday, in City Park!!

• Western Days—August 11—13 Chairperson—Jackie Hrstka 867-3744 Parade Contact—Dave Vogen 867-3705 Park Chair—Cheryl Jankiewicz 867-9156 Advertising & Buttons—Pam Bluhm 867-3870 Saddle Club—Holly Eisenman 867-3729