



# Chaska City Hall Bulletin

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## ELECTION UPDATE

The 2012 General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. The polls are open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. Along with the Federal and State offices up for election, the City of Chaska has a Mayoral race between the current Mayor, Mark Windschittl, and challenger Richard Swanson. Wards Two and Four have uncontested candidates, Greg Boe and Jay Rohe, respectively.

Absentee voting is currently in progress. If you live in Carver County, you can vote absentee at the Tax Payers Services Office in the Carver County Courthouse, or at the Chanhassen License Center during regular working hours Monday through Friday, as well as on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, and Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup> until 5:00 pm.

Many thanks to the Public Works employees who tirelessly set up and take down the polling sites, as well as pick up and deliver numerous supplies. Thanks also to Emily Kendall, Suzy Miller, Michelle Robbin, and Jeffrey Dahl, who spend many hours assisting Margo Steffel, Elections Coordinator for the City of Chaska, with testing of the ballots and equipment, and coordination of the election activities. Thanks too to Susan Prather, who helps with the overflow day to day duties, including the Council packet. It truly is a team effort!

If you don't know where you go to vote in Carver County, you can access the following web site for information: <http://pollfinder.sos.state.mn.us>.

Make sure you get out and vote!

## POLLING SITE LOCATIONS

### Ward 1

Chaska Moravian Church  
115 4<sup>th</sup> Street East  
Chaska, Mn. 55318

### Ward 2

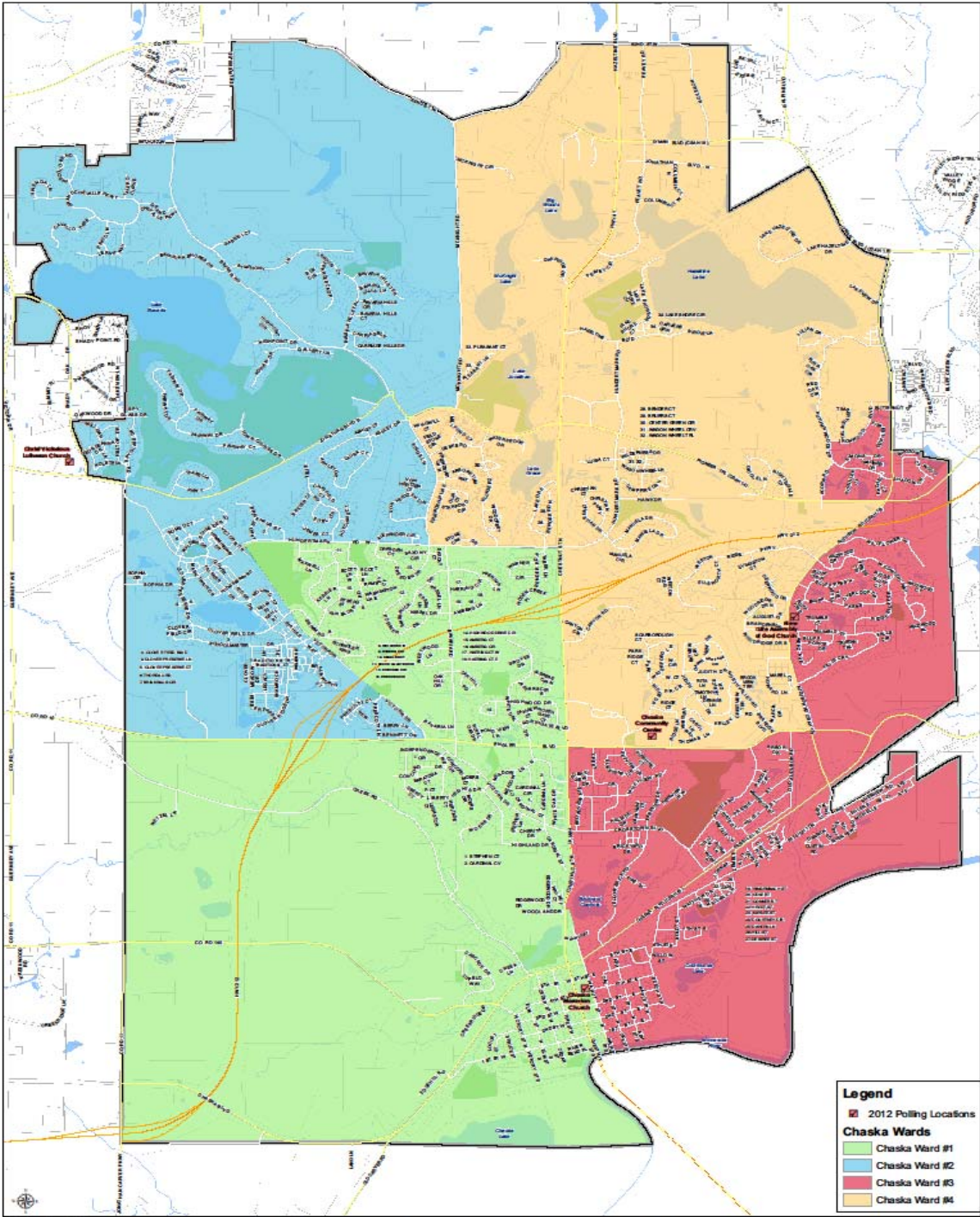
Christ Victorious Church  
9860 Shady Oak Drive  
Chaska, Mn. 55318

### Ward 3

New Life Assembly of God Church  
950 Trumble Street  
Chaska, Mn. 55318

### Ward 4

Chaska Community Center Community  
Room  
1661 Park Ridge Drive  
Chaska, Mn. 55318



**City of Chaska 2012 Election  
Ward Boundaries**



Map Created by ChaskaGIS, 8/20/11  
Data Source: Minnesota Legislative Geographic Information Service,  
Carter County

**Chaska City Council Meeting**  
**Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**CANCELLED**

**Next Council Meeting**  
**TUESDAY, November 13<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 pm  
 Chaska City Hall  
 Canvass of Election Results

Chaska Planning Commission on  
 Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>

7:00 pm  
 Chaska City Hall

**Chaska Park & Rec Board**  
**Meeting**

**Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup>**  
 7:00 pm

Chaska Community Center

**All Chaska City Offices will be**  
**closed on Monday, November**  
**12<sup>th</sup> in observance of**  
**Veteran's Day.**

They will re-open on Tuesday,  
 November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 am.

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**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME**  
**ENDS**  
**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>**  
**SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ON**  
**SATURDAY NIGHT**



**CHASKA COMMUNITY  
 CENTER ACTIVITIES**

**Quick Travel Spanish**

Planning a business or recreational trip to a Spanish-speaking country? Quick Travel Español" is designed specifically for you! Learn very basic grammar, dialogue, and key phrases that will make your trip more enjoyable. You will be amazed at the words and phrases you will know, and those that you will understand after just two classes.

Dates:

Mondays

November 5 and 12

Time: 6:30–7:45 p.m.

Cost: \$15 Member

\$20 Non-Member



**Fascinating Physics**

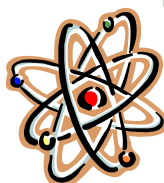
In Fascinating Physics, preschoolers will use their natural curiosity to explore physics; the science of motion. Using Lego and K'NEX building systems, they will investigate force, friction, simple machines, gravity and much more with engaging activity and experiments. Please join us for this fun Jr. STEM class as we take our first steps into the fascinating world of physics.

Date: Tuesdays,

November 6–20

Cost: \$45 Member

\$50 Non-Member



**Vinyasa Yoga**

Challenge your mind and body with this invigorating yoga practice that connects breath with fluid, connecting yoga poses. Continue to increase strength and flexibility and mental stamina.

Instructor: Christy Rice. Dates: Tuesdays,  
 Nov. 6–Dec. 18 (7 weeks)

Time: 5:40–6:40 pm.

Cost: \$56 Member; \$70 Non-Member

**Adult/Child/Infant CPR/AED**

These courses teach participants the skills they need to know to give immediate care to a suddenly injured or ill person until more advanced medical personnel arrive and take over. Students who successfully complete this course will receive an American Red Cross certificate, which is valid for two years. All classes are located at the Chaska Community Center. For more information please call Tessa Syverson at (952) 227-7746.

Cost: \$60 Members  
\$75 Non-members  
Date: Wednesday, November 7  
Time: 5:30–9:00 p.m.

**Family Bingo Night**

Bring the whole family to the CCC for some BINGO fun. You will have lots of chances to test your luck at Bingo during this event. Come out and win some fun prizes to take home.

Date: Friday, November 9  
Time: 6:00–8:00 p.m.  
Cost: \$3 per person  
Preregister online at [www.chaskacommunitycenter.com](http://www.chaskacommunitycenter.com).

**Holiday Clay Play**

Ages 5 to 11  
A great time to come in from the cold to make various clay projects that reflect the season. We make small pots and sculptures and glaze them each day. Wear Old clothes, we get messy!  
Day: Saturdays  
Dates: November 10, 17, and December 1  
Time: 10:30-11:30 a.m.  
Cost: \$50 Member; \$60 Non-Member



**DID YOU KNOW?**

**What candidate won the most popular votes and also the most electoral votes, yet lost the White House?**

Andrew Jackson in 1824. He had way more popular votes, and 15 more electoral votes (99) than John Quincy Adams (84) in the four-way race. The election was decided by the House of Representatives, which chose John Quincy Adams.

But Andrew Jackson had his revenge in the next election, when "Old Hickory" beat the incumbent J.Q. Adams. Adams' supporters portrayed Jackson as an "illiterate drunkard", a "cruel military commander" in the War of 1812, and a "jackass". Jackson, a Democrat, turned that jackass into a donkey, and rode it into the White House for the next two elections, 1828 and 1832. As we know, the donkey's been the Democratic symbol evermore.

Political cartoonist Thomas Nast created the image of the elephant for the Republican Party, which is sometimes called the Grand Old Party or GOP. It first appeared in a cartoon he drew for Harper's Weekly on Nov. 7, 1874.

Nast drew on two incidents to create his GOP elephant. In response to a possible third-term run by President Ulysses S Grant, the New York Herald began depicting him wearing a crown. During the same period, the Herald ran a fabricated story about animals escaping from the zoo. Nast combined the two Herald stories into one cartoon. The Herald was depicted as a donkey dressed as a lion and frightening all of the "foolish animals" in Central Park, according to the cartoon's caption. One of the "foolish animals" was the Republican vote (not the party itself), which he drew as an elephant.

