



# Chaska City Hall Bulletin

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## CHASKA WELCOMES TWO NEW BUSINESSES!

The City of Chaska would like to take this opportunity to welcome two new businesses into the community.

Patron Mexican Restaurant, (as in Patron Tequila) located at the northwest corner of Second Street and Highway 41 opened last week. They serve a wide variety of authentic Mexican food. The owners of the business also own a restaurant in Spring Lake Park, which has a very similar menu. Patron will also serve beer, margaritas, and other cocktails to accompany their food. People who have tried out the new restaurant have given the food rave reviews. We welcome them to the downtown historic district of Chaska!



The second business to open recently in Chaska is Hazeldon Treatment Center. Hazeldon is a world renown chemical dependency treatment facility. Their main facility is located in the northeastern quadrant of the Twin Cities. They will be hosting a ribbon cutting and open house today, February 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 4:30 pm at their new out patient facility in the Hazeltine Gates Office Building directly across Hazeltine Boulevard from Kohls department store. The public is invited.

The services offered by Hazeldon at their new location will complement the services available at their in-patient campus in Center City. A large number of patients who use their services live in the southern and western metro area and Hazeldon felt that an out patient facility would meet their needs.



The City of Chaska welcomes these two new businesses and wishes them success in their endeavors. Questions about either of these businesses may be directed to Matt Podhradsky, Chaska City Administrator at 952-448-9200.

**WINTER PARKING REMINDER**

As residents know, this winter has been quite unusual with very little snow. Chaska crews have only had to go out and fully plow just a couple of times. This is a very different scenario from what we had during the winter of 2010-2011. Because of the lack of snow, residents may have forgotten about the winter parking rules. The City would like to remind residents of two parking ordinances in place from November 1<sup>st</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup>.

One ordinance covers odd/even parking. Parking is allowed on the odd side of the street on odd numbered calendar days, and on the even side of the street on even numbered days. So even though there may not be any snow today or tomorrow or yesterday, the ordinance is still in effect through April 1<sup>st</sup>.



The second parking restriction is in the downtown commercial district between the hours of 2:00 am and 6:00 am. Residents are not allowed to park on the street at all between those hours in the downtown area. The reason for the ordinance is to make sure that the city public works crew have plenty of opportunity to clean up after a snow fall to provide as much parking as possible in the downtown during business hours. Without having the streets cleared of vehicles, it is very difficult for City crews to open all parking spots and this impacts the number of patrons who can easily access downtown businesses. This ordinance is in effect all year long and gives crews the ability to sweep and clean streets during the summer also.

The City appreciates your cooperation with these parking restrictions, as they do help to ensure timely and thorough clean up of the streets. Questions about these parking restrictions may be referred to City Administrator, Matt Podhradsky at 952-448-9200.

**HOME APPLICANTS STILL NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS IN MAY**

Applications are still being taken through March 2<sup>nd</sup> for homeowners who need assistance from the Christmas in May Program. Do not hesitate to call 952-361-5350! Work is scheduled for Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>.



**CHASKA CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2012**  
**7:00 PM AT CITY HALL**  
 WORK SESSION  
 FROM 6:00 – 7:00 PM  
 THE STATE OF SW TRANSIT PRESENTATION

**CHASKA HUMAN RIGHTS**  
**COMMISSION MEETING**  
**TONIGHT – THURSDAY, FEBRUARY**  
**23<sup>RD</sup>**  
**6:30 PM AT CITY HALL**

For the agendas, go to:  
[www.chaskamn.com](http://www.chaskamn.com).

**FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY AT GA**

Guardian Angels Catholic Church is hosting a fish fry beginning at 4:30 pm on Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup> in the gymnasium. A reliable source advises that the fish is the same as that used at the Chanhassen Legion, and you know how good that is! Come get it, baked or fried!



**BOUTIFUL BASKET FOOD SHELF  
NOW OPEN**

The City of Chaska would like to congratulate Bountiful Basket on their successful move over the past weekend into their new permanent location in the recently renovated old Water Treatment Plant at Engler Boulevard and Bavaria Road. Several community volunteers assisted food shelf volunteers with the move. Channel 5 News was even on hand to capture the event for their morning program. The food shelf officially opened the doors to their new facility on Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. On their first day of operation they served 11 new families. This is a significant increase in one-day activity.

The local food shelf benefits greatly from its partnership with area churches who conduct regular food drives and who assist in providing many of the volunteers. Individuals who would like to become more involved or aware of the volunteer board happenings are encouraged to email Tom Redman @ [tredman@chaskamn.com](mailto:tredman@chaskamn.com) or to call 952-227-7745 to be added to the mailing list. Individuals that would like to volunteer at the food shelf or conduct food drives are encouraged to call Julie Falkenstein at the Bountiful Basket at 952-556-0244. Those who wish to make contributions directly to the local Bountiful Basket Food Shelf should make checks payable to "Bountiful Basket."

A big thanks goes out to all the volunteers who stepped forward to assist with the move so the facility was able to immediately continue operation and fulfill this need in our community. A schedule of the hours for Bountiful Basket follows.

**HOURS OF OPERATION:**

Monday:	9:00 am to 3:30 pm
Tuesday:	9:00 am to 3:30 pm
Wednesday:	9:00 am to 3:30 pm
Thursday:	Closed
Friday:	9:00 am to 3:30 pm




**CHASKA COMMUNITY  
CENTER  
ACTIVITIES**

**AOA Cop Shops: Personal Safety**

Participate in this safety workshop offered by Officer Julie Jahnke of the City of Chaska Police. The workshop is FREE, but please pre-register at The Lodge or CCC Front Desk.

Date: Monday, February 27  
Time: 9:30 am.  
Place: The Lodge  
Cost: Free

**Hatha Yoga**

Increase vitality and refresh your mind by learning this gentle flowing style of Yoga. Yoga movements offer physical benefits, such as improving strength, flexibility and cardiovascular levels, while breathing exercises promote stamina and focus.

Date: Tuesdays, February 28–April 3  
(Six weeks)  
Time: 5:40–6:40 pm.  
Continuing Hatha Yoga

6:50–7:50 pm.  
Beginning Hatha Yoga  
Cost: \$48 Member; \$62 Non-Member

**Extreme Kids**

Extreme Kids began as a summer recreational day care program for children in 2001. The Extreme Kids program utilizes the Community Center and its many amenities, including the pool, ice arena, turf arena, craft rooms, gyms, climbing wall, playground, splash pad, and the new lower-level which has space dedicated to this program. These areas create a unique atmosphere with many recreational opportunities for Extreme Kids to enjoy.



Our staff provides an experience focusing on fun, coupled with learning and socializing. Program includes weekly offsite field trips, as well as onsite swimming, skating, turf, and gym. Registration begins March 1 (packets available now). Pick up a packet at the CCC or download online at [www.chaskacommunitycenter.com](http://www.chaskacommunitycenter.com).

Dates: Monday–Friday, June 12–August 17  
 Ages: Kids entering Grades 1-3 and Grades 4-6  
 Time: 7:00 am–6:00 pm.

Rates: Check website for specific pricing options, including 5-day, 4-day, 3-day, and drop-in rates. Space is limited. Registration is on a first-come, first-serve basis. A registration fee is required to be considered. See registration packet for details. Questions? Call Aimee at (952) 227-7742.



**Lifeguard Training**

This course trains participants in American Red Cross Lifeguarding, CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer, and First Aid.

PLEASE NOTE: Participants who do not pass pre-requisites will be charged a \$50 administration fee.

**COURSE PRE-REQUISITES:**

- \* Participant must be age 15 by the last day of class
- \* Swim 300 yards continuously
- \* Skill combination of swimming 20 yards with head above water, surface dive to a depth of 7 feet to retrieve a diving brick, & swim back 20 yards carrying the brick with both hands.
- \* Participants must attend all days and times.



Place: CCC  
 Cost: \$175 Member; \$200 Non-Member (Includes all books and materials)

Dates:  
 Sat., March 3 (8 am–4 pm)  
 Sun., March 4 (10 am–6 pm)  
 Sat., March 10 (8 am–4 pm)  
 Sun., March 11 (10 am–6 pm)

**ODD STUFF:**

Attention Chaska City Engineer Bill Monk: Today is National Introduce a Girl to Engineering Day.

Today is Independence Day in Brunei Darussalam, a nation on the north coast of the island of Borneo. Some 379,400 people and 13 million chickens live in Brunei.



Today is Easy Divorce Day. On February 23, 1915, Nevada passed a divorce law that made divorce possible after only six months of residency. It was the first easy divorce law in the United States.