



# Chaska City Hall Bulletin

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## CITY SAYS GOOD BYE TO LONG-TIME WATER & SEWER SUPERINTENDENT

Dean Hylland, Chaska's first Water and Sewer Superintendent, will be retiring on January 2, 2012. He has been with the City of Chaska since February 1, 1999, when the Water and Sewer Division was separated from the Electric Utility Division. Dean has been a public servant for 35 years. He was with the City of Lake Mills, Iowa, for three years, where he originally grew up. After that he worked for the City of Richfield for 20 years.



Dean has taken the City through many changes over the past 13 years that have greatly improved the reliability and dependability of the water and sewer utilities in our City. Specifically, he coordinated the significant expansion of the water and sewer utilities during the residential development boom in the 2000s, the implementation of many policy and maintenance items, the construction of two water towers, the drilling of two wells to help increase water capacity, and the construction of a 12.5 million gallon per day water treatment plant. He was instrumental in the restructuring of our water rates and the preparation of a comprehensive utility system plan. Dean has brought a great deal of professionalism and knowledge to the City of Chaska. The City of Chaska's Water and Sewer Division is top notch and a great value to residents of the community. It has been made significantly better from the efforts of Dean and his crew over the past 13 years.

The City of Chaska will miss Dean, not only for his knowledge and skill level, but also for his winning personality and strong work ethic. We thank him and wish him the best of luck during his next adventures, as he spends more time with his family, finishing the cabin in Ottertail, fishing, hunting with his Lab, and building rocking horses and other wood projects for his two granddaughters.

**SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY!**

Applications are being taken to fill positions on all City Commissions. Applications may be found online at [www.chaskamn.com](http://www.chaskamn.com) or by contacting Margo Steffel at 952-448-9200 or [msteffel@chaskamn.com](mailto:msteffel@chaskamn.com). Applications are due by Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at City Hall. Each Commission is a volunteer position and has three openings. All terms are for a period of three years. More detailed information can be found on the City website.

The Planning Commission meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7pm at Chaska City Hall. The Park & Rec Board meets on the second Monday of the month at the Community Center at 7pm. The Human Rights Commission meets on the fourth Thursday of the month at City Hall at 6:30 pm. The Heritage Preservation Commission meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month, as needed, at City Hall at 7pm.



**100 CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL EVENT**

The City of Chaska and the residents of the community would like to once again thank the 100 Club for the holiday decorations that they provide throughout the City. Each year 100 people each pay \$100 per ticket to get together for a one-night event that includes appetizers and door prizes. The 100 Club held their annual event this past Sunday. The proceeds from the ticket sales go toward the purchase of new holiday decorations and

replacement of old ones in the community. The efforts of the 100 Club help to beautify the City and create a true sense of small town within the downtown business district.



Anyone interested in participating in the event next year, is encouraged to contact Chaska City Administrator, Matt Podhradsky, at 952-448-9200. And thanks again to the club from the entire community!

**REMINDER OF FUN STUFF GOING ON**



**Free Bus to  
Holidazzle**

SW Transit will provide round-trip bus service to the Holidazzle Parade on Hennepin Avenue in downtown Minneapolis on Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. Just bring an unwrapped toy or non-perishable food shelf item and the trip is free!

The bus leaves the Chanhassen SW Village Station at 5:30 pm or the Eden Prairie Station at 5:40 pm. Arrive at 12<sup>th</sup> and Nicollet Avenue at 6:15 pm for the 6:30 parade. Return at 7:19 or 8:34 pm from Marquette and 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Chaska Town Course Merchandise Sale**



The Chaska Town Course Pro Shop will offer all in-stock merchandise at clearance prices, including apparel, shoes, clubs, putters, wedges, balls,

hats, and more. Gift cards are also available for green fees, lessons, and merchandise. Holiday hours are Tuesday-Friday from 9am to 5pm and Saturday from 9am to 3pm. Call 952-443-3748 or check out the web site at [www.chaskatowncourse.com](http://www.chaskatowncourse.com).

**Live Nativity Performance**

St. John’s Lutheran Church and the group Active Older Adults for Christ will sponsor a family Christmas in Chaska on December 18<sup>th</sup>.

Come and celebrate the season from 1:00 to 5:00 pm at the Community Center with hot apple cider, cookies, music and carols, children’s story time, and live nativity animals.

A free 20-minute live nativity performance will be presented in the Chaska Community Center Theater at 2:00 and 4:00 pm. Seats are limited! The performance will also be presented outdoors at 6:00 pm at St. John’s Church located at 4<sup>th</sup> and Oak Streets.



**CHASKA  
COMMUNITY  
CENTER ACTIVITIES**

**Holiday Hoopla Workshop!**

Parent child class, ages 4 to 10

Join us for all kinds of holiday cheer as we make hand printed mosaic stepping stones; Wobblebobble holiday elves, and snow white angels. Also, create your own hot coca mix to take home for the cold winter and have a little taste!



**Date: Saturday, December 10**  
**Time: 9:30–11:00 am.**  
**Cost: \$18 Member**  
**\$22 Non-Member**

**Donuts with Santa**

Santa will be stopping by to visit with all of the little ones at this fun adventure. We will make Christmas crafts and enjoy donut holes and juice, as well as sing along with Santa. There will also be time to sit on Santa’s lap and take pictures so be sure to bring along your cameras.



**Date: Wednesday, December 14**  
**Time: 9:30–10:30 am.**  
**(Pre-registration is required.)**

**Candlelight Yoga**

Let it Go. Give yourself this time to practice the yogic principle of Aparigraha. You’ll discover how this simple candle lit practice can bring even greater joy and peace during this hectic holiday time.

**Days: Thursdays**  
**Time: 6:30–7:45 pm.**  
**Cost: \$10 per person**  
**(Pre-registration is required.)**

**Chaska Community Center Gallery  
Presents:  
Artwork by Liya Oertel  
December 12 – January 20**

**ON THIS DATE IN:**

1998: The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that police cannot search people and their cars after merely ticketing them for routine traffic violations.

1980: During half-time on Monday Night Football, reporter Howard Cosell announced that singer John Lennon had been shot to death on the steps of his home in New York City.

