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FIREMEN'S ICE FISHING CONTEST

Residents are reminded of the upcoming 56th annual Chaska Fire Department Ice Fishing Contest to be held on Saturday, January 26th from 1:00 to 3:00 pm at Firemen's Park. There will be activities on and off the lake. Fishing holes are pre-drilled and free bait is provided. Inexpensive fishing gear, including jiggle sticks, is also for sale at the lake. So even if you are a novice, there is no reason not to try the sport! Raffle tickets are available from all firemen, with hundreds of prizes being offered to the fisherman and the non-fisherman alike. Prizes include gift certificates to local businesses, as well as fishing equipment, and even \$500 cash. Prizes will be awarded to the top fifty fish caught by weight, with special prizes awarded to every fifth fish caught. These prizes include everything from a depth finder, to a jiffy powered ice auger.

Although temperatures have been somewhat higher than normal this week, in general it has been cold enough to produce a lot of ice, and temperatures are predicted to drop significantly this weekend. If for some reason the contest needs to be moved off the lake, the event will be held at the Chaska Fire Station.



Additional information can be found on the Chaska Fire Department web page at www.chaskafire.org. The Fire Department highly encourages families to participate in the event and thanks its many sponsors for helping to make this a successful fundraiser each year.

A MAJOR AWARD

Congratulations to Aimee Peterson, the Recreation Coordinator at the Chaska Community Center, who is being recognized today by the Minnesota Recreation and Park Association at their annual meeting and awards luncheon at the Hutchinson Event Center. Aimee is receiving the Dorothea Nelson Award, which is given to a professional member of the MRPA who is female and has 10 plus years of professional experience. The selection of the individual is based on outstanding service to the parks and recreation field and the MRPA. The City of Chaska is proud to have Aimee as another example of an outstanding employee and we congratulate her on this achievement.



CHRISTMAS IN MAY



Celebrating 17 years in Chaska, Christmas in May is a local non-profit organization that enlists volunteers and coordinates a one-day work project to repair and rehabilitate the homes of Chaska residents who have neither the financial nor physical ability to maintain their home. Skilled and unskilled volunteers do the work, which can include painting, plumbing, carpentry, electrical work, hauling, cleaning, and landscaping.

Christmas in May - Chaska will take place on May 11, 2013 and is offered at no cost to the home owner. It is a community bonding experience, not only for the homeowners, but for the many volunteers who participate with cash contributions, materials, and labor. If your home is in need of repairs that you cannot make yourself or afford to hire others to accomplish, please contact Christmas in May - Chaska by March 22, 2013 for home repair assistance at 952-361-5350.

Update on SW Chaska Master Plan Adoption Process

As an update to the article in the Chaska City Hall Bulletin last week, residents are reminded that the City of Chaska is completing its six-month process of developing a master plan for the SW Chaska area. The plan is currently going through the approval processes in January. It went to the Planning Commission meeting last night and will go to the Park Board meeting on Monday, January 14th. The City Council will consider final adoption of the plan on Monday, January 28th.

Anyone wishing to view the proposed plan can visit the City of Chaska web page at www.chaskamn.com and find all pertinent information. Questions or comments about the plan may be directed to Community Development Director, Kevin Ringwald, at 952-448-9200. Residents are also encouraged to attend the Council meeting on January 28th at 7:00 pm at City Hall.



**CHASKA
COMMUNITY
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ACTIVITIES<**

Babysitting Clinic

This American Red Cross class is for youth ages 11 and older. It prepares a babysitter for what every parent wants; including safety, basic child care, safe play, first aid, and critical emergency action steps. Upon completion of the course a certificate is issued. Cost includes Red Cross babysitting handbook (new edition with DVD), certification, and instruction. You only need to attend one session.



Instructor: Shelly Nahan
Session 1: Monday and Tuesday,
January 14 and 15
Time: 5:15–7:45 pm.
Cost: \$50 Member
\$65 Non-Member

Teen Extreme Skate



For both boys and girls
- ages 11 to 15

Skate to great music,
play exciting games, win
awesome prizes, and
enjoy tasty snacks. Invite
your friends and make sure to let
them know that you'll be "chillin' at
the CCC!"

Date: Tuesday, January 15
Time: 2:30–4:00 pm.
Place: CCC Ice Arena
Cost: FREE – Limited Skate Rentals
for \$2

**City of Chaska Offices will be closed on
Monday, January 21st in observance of
the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.**

**Because of the holiday, the next
Chaska City Council meeting will be
Monday, January 28th at 7:00 pm at
City Hall.**

January 10th Events in History

2012 – US Presidential contender Mitt Romney wins the New Hampshire Republican Primary.

2010 – China surpasses Germany, becoming the world's largest exporter.

1990 – "Les Miserables" opens at Mechanic Theatre in Baltimore.

1984 – Clara Peller first asks, "Where's the beef?"

1980 – Last broadcast of "Rockford Files" on NBC.

1972 – LA Lakers 33 straight winning streak snapped, losing to Bucks 120-104.



1967 – PBS begins as a 70 station network.

1958 – Jerry Lee Lewis' "Great Balls of Fire" reaches number one.

1956 – Elvis records "Heartbreak Hotel."

1951 – First jet passenger trip made.

1949 – RCA introduces the 45 RPM record.

1935 – Actress Mary Pickford marries actor Douglas Fairbanks.

1928 – Soviet Union orders exile of Leon Trotsky.



1901 – Oil discovered in Texas.