



# Chaska City Hall Bulletin

## "The Best Small Town in Minnesota"

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### HOMETOWN HOLIDAY - A TRUE COMMUNITY EVENT

Despite wind chills well below zero, the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Hometown Holiday event was held on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. The event is unique in that it encompasses a number of different activities that are sponsored and coordinated by several local entities. For example, the City teamed up with the SW Chamber of Commerce for the tree lighting, featuring over 1000 LED lights on the Christmas tree. The Chaska 100 Club donates the funds necessary to purchase lights and new decorations every year. The three winners of the City's coloring contest gleefully lit the tree that the City of Chaska Electric Department set up earlier during the frigid week.



The Chaska Fire Department and Public Works Department coordinated the bon fire along the 4<sup>th</sup> Street side of City Square Park and members of the SW Chamber volunteered to serve s'mores and cider to attendees.



The Chaska High School Choir and Guardian Angels students sang fitting holiday songs. Mayor Mark Windschitl emceed the event and Mark Muhlenkort from Beyond the Yellow Ribbon spoke about the importance of the military family organization, especially at this time of year.

In addition to the Tree Lighting, a number of other events were held around town, including a Christmas display at the Chaska History Center, the American Legion Auxiliary Chili Feed and Bake Sale, and Downtown Merchant shopping and dining enticements.



These kinds of events help to make Chaska "The Best Small Town in Minnesota." Hometown Holiday would not have been possible without all of the help from the City, Southwest Metro Chamber of Commerce, Chaska High School, Guardian Angels, SayHey5k Events, Southwest Publications, Downtown Business Owners, Fred Berg, American Legion, Beyond the Yellow Ribbon, Chaska History Center, and donations from KleinBank, Chaska 100 Club, and Dunn Bros. Thank you to everyone who assisted despite the frigid cold!



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## CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

### December 13 - 7:15 to 8:30 pm

Join in the fun and go ice skating with Santa Claus and the CCC Mascot, Zeus the Moose! The arena concession stand will be open and rental skates available.  
Cost: Free for members  
\$4 adults, \$3 students



### December 15 - 3:00 & 6:00 pm



Live Nativity Performance  
Live camels, donkey and sheep — Two times, two sites!

- CCC Theatre at 3:00 pm with cookies and punch in The Lodge for all family members prior to show.
- St. John's Lutheran Church on 4th Street outside at 6:00 pm

Performance is approximately 40 minutes. Great family opportunity to celebrate the birth of Christ and true meaning of Christmas! Hope to see you there!

### December 18 - 9:30 am

Tot Time Adventures  
Ages 2 to 6 years  
A parent and child class filled with crafts, games, snacks and more! Each theme includes leisure activities for parents and children to share. Programs generally last one hour. Fees are per child, parents free.



(Tot Time Adventure Continued)

Pre-register because space is limited.  
Time: 9:30–10:30 am  
Cost: \$5.50 Member;  
\$7 non-Member

Santa will be stopping by to visit with all of the little ones at this fun adventure.

### December 21 - 8:30 am

A casual three to four mile group run wearing Santa hats — tis the season!



### Chaska City Council Meeting Monday, December 16 at 7:00 pm Chaska City Hall

Last meeting of the year includes the approval of the 2014 Property Tax Levy and General and Enterprise Fund Budgets. For the complete agenda, go to:  
[www.chaskamn.com](http://www.chaskamn.com).

### CHRISTMAS MOVIE TRIVIA

1. "Teacher says, every time a bell rings an angel gets his wings."
2. "It's a one year membership to the Jelly of the Month Club."
3. "Bless this highly nutritious microwavable macaroni and cheese dinner and the people who sold it on sale. Amen."
4. "What if Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store. What if Christmas, perhaps, means a little bit more."
5. "You'll shoot your eye out kid!"
6. "Uh, since the United States Government declares this man to be Santa Claus, this court will not dispute it. Case dismissed!"

(1. It's a Wonderful Life – 2. National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation – 3. Home Alone – 4. How the Grinch Stole Christmas – 5. A Christmas Story – 6. Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street)

