

COMMUNITYLINK NEWSLETTER

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INTERPRETIVE SIGN PROJECT



The City of Chatfield seeks to increase public awareness and appreciation for historically significant buildings and sites by implementing a program for interpretation of heritage preservation resources. The initial phase of the program consists of eight outdoor interpretive signs installed on public property at key points of interest within the downtown area. The 24 by 36 inch signs focus on the people, culture, history and built environment that make downtown Chatfield a special destination. The first five signs were installed in June at City Park and the Chatfield Library— the other

three sign panels will be placed on the grounds of the Chatfield Center for the Arts. The term *Interpretation* is used in heritage preservation to describe a method of communication that aims to explain what is special or significant about a historic place. The essence of interpretation lies in storytelling in which a series of facts are woven in a coherent story that informs, entertains and enriches the audience. Its main purpose is to relate new information that enables the public to better understand their relationship to heritage preservation. From the perspective of preservation planning, interpretation is a form of public history education, one of the core missions of the city preservation program.

Interpretation can be a powerful tool for fostering public interest in and support for heritage resources stewardship. The downtown interpretive signs were developed under the auspices of the Chatfield Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC). Other project stakeholders included the Chatfield Economic Development Authority (EDA), the Chatfield Library Board, and the Chatfield Center for the Arts, Inc. The signs were fabricated by the Gopher Sign Co. in St. Paul. The project was financed with federal funds through the Certified Local Government grants program administered by the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service.

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YOUR OPINION MATTERS-2 SURVEYS

Please be on the look out for two surveys requesting your input. One will be a green paper survey in your mailbox and the other will be an online survey.

The on-line survey is available at www.ci.chatfield.mn.us/community-survey and only takes a few minutes to complete. Your input would be greatly appreciated.

The City is also working with CEDA and

Semcac to apply for building rehabilitation grants for commercial buildings, rental properties, and homeowners. This will be a green survey coming to your mailbox. If awarded, funds can be used for things like roofs, tuck pointing, heating, and siding. Participation activity in the survey helps increase the chances of our application being successful! Your participation would be appreciated.

Chatfield Public Library

Library Hours:

Sun & Mon—Closed
Tue—10:00 am—6:30 pm
Wed—10:00 am—6:30 pm
Thu— 10:00 am—8:30 pm
Fri—9:00 am—5:00 pm
Sat—9:00 am—2:00 pm

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In Case of Emergency: 9-1-1

Ambulance (Non Emergency) 507-867-4446
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Chatfield Public Library 507-867-3480



ADDAMS FAMILY, THE MUSICAL



Fri, Aug 6, 2021, 8:00 PM – Sun, Aug 15, 2021, 9:30 PM
Wits' End Community Theatre Summer Musical

6 Performances: Friday, August 6 at 7pm; Saturday August 7 at 7 pm; Sunday, August 8 at 2pm; Thursday, August 12 at 7pm; Friday, August 13 at 7pm; Saturday, August 14 at 5pm

Potter Auditorium

Tickets: \$20 Main Floor and Lower Balcony Reserved Seating, \$18 Upper Balcony General Admission

OPENING NIGHT: ALL SEATS \$10!

To Purchase Tickets: www.chatfieldarts.org

Beverage and snack options available for purchase prior to show and during intermission.

Addams Family
 Presented by Wits' End Theatre

Wits' End Theatre



Dust off your boots!
 Chatfield's 54th Annual
WESTERN DAYS
 is back! August 12-15, 2021

Chatfield Western Days

Questions? Contact Pam Bluhm chatwesterndays@gmail.com or 507-867-3870

CITY CALENDAR

AUGUST 2021

Event details at www.ci.chatfield.mn.us

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 7:00 PM Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting	3 Recycling Collection	4 Fillmore County Residents Garbage Collection	5 Olmsted County Residents Garbage Collection 3:00 PM Chatfield Growers Market 7:00 PM Library Board	6 7:00 PM Addams Family, The Musical	7 7:00 PM Addams Family, The Musical
8 2:00 PM Addams Family, The Musical	9 4:30 PM Personnel Budget Committee Meeting 5:30 PM Public Works Committee Meeting 7:00 PM City Council Meeting	10 Recycling Collection	11 Fillmore County Residents Garbage Collection	12 Olmsted County Residents Garbage Collection Chatfield Western Days - 2021 3:00 PM Chatfield Growers Market 7:00 PM Addams Family, The Musical	13 Chatfield Western Days - 2021 7:00 PM Addams Family, The Musical	14 Chatfield Western Days - 2021 5:00 PM Addams Family, The Musical 7:00 PM Branded - Free Family Concert
15 Chatfield Western Days - 2021	16	17 Recycling Collection	18 Fillmore County Residents Garbage Collection	19 Olmsted County Residents Garbage Collection 3:00 PM Chatfield Growers Market 7:30 PM Peter Mayer - Chosen Bean Series Concert	20	21
22	23 4:30 PM Economic Development Authority Board Meeting 4:30 PM Public Services Committee Meeting 5:30 PM Committee of the Whole 7:00 PM City Council Meeting	24 Recycling Collection 7:00 PM Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting	25 Fillmore County Residents Garbage Collection	26 Olmsted County Residents Garbage Collection 3:00 PM Chatfield Growers Market	27	28
29	30	31 Recycling Collection	1	2	3	4

the chosen bean presents
PETER MAYER
 AUGUST 19, 7:30 pm

the Accidentals
 September 10, 8:00pm



CHATFIELD CENTER FOR THE ARTS
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