



# The Chosen Valley

A Full Service Community



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## COMMUNITY LINK

21 SE SECOND STREET—CHATFIELD, MN 55923

507-867-3810

WWW.CI.CHATFIELD.MN.US

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### FEBRUARY 2016

- **Mon Feb 1st—**  
**Planning & Zoning 7:00**  
**pm**
- **Mon Feb 8th—**  
**City Council 7:00 pm**
- **Mon Feb 22nd—**  
**City Council 7:00 pm**
- **Thu Feb 25th—**  
**EDA 5:30 pm**

### ELECTED OFFICIALS

#### MAYOR

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mayorsmith@ci.chatfield.mn.us

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## Cold Drinking Water—Preventing frozen service lines



Due to the winter conditions, residents of the city are advised to test the temperature of their drinking water. If the temperature reaches 38 degrees or below, it would be advisable to run water continuously to avoid water pipes from freezing.

In order to properly test your water temperature, run water continuously for approximately 10 minutes at the faucet closest to the water meter (usually in your basement) and then insert a small

thermometer that is typically hung in a freezer or used in an aquarium. Running water with a stream the diameter of a pencil is generally sufficient to avoid freezing but, the farther your water temperature falls below 38, the stronger the stream needs to be. Once the water temperature reaches 38 degrees or below, it is likely that you will need to run that water until the ground thaws in the spring.

FOR FROZEN PIPE ASSISTANCE / ADVICE—8:00-4:30 Monday through Friday, call Ryan at 507-867-3810 AFTER HOURS & WEEKENDS call Brian at 507-273-9597.

## WATER & SEWER RATES

City residents and businesses will notice a slight change on utility bills this month, primarily because new rates will go into effect. Water rates will increase by 4.5% and sanitary sewer rates will increase by 3.0% in 2016. The City regrets the need to raise rates but it is necessary to properly maintain the water and sewer systems.

## “LIBERTY PROJECT” AN ANNUAL AMERICAN FLAG SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE!

Boy Scout Troop 43 is proud to again offer the “Liberty Project” an annual American flag subscription service. “Liberty Project” is a fund raising project for Boy Scout Troop 43. The proceeds from this project will enable our scouts to participate in a variety of activities.

Your subscription to this program will help our troop buy camping equipment, provide scholarships to summer camp and meet other troop expenses. For your \$40 subscription, members of Troop 43 will place for display, a 3'x 5' American flag in your yard 4 designated days each year. If you want, you can, purchase a subscription for someone you know in town as a gift.

Please join Troop 43 and our charter organization, Chatfield Lions Club, in supporting this cause. Help us fill our streets with American flags for the love of our country and in dedication to the ideals of scouting. A Scout will soon be contacting you, if someone does not contact you by mid-April feel free to contact Pete Fryer at 867-9775 and a Scout will be assigned to contact you.

## CITY OF CHATFIELD

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In Case of Emergency:  
**Ambulance (Non Emergency)**  
**Police (Non Emergency)**  
**Chatfield Public Library**

9-1-1  
**507-867-4446**  
**507-867-3331**  
**507-867-3480**



Police Department



## Upcoming Events

2016

Winter/Spring  
Concert Series

### Chosen Bean Concerts



*This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Southeastern Minnesota Arts Council thanks to a legislative appropriation from the state's cultural heritage fund.*

[www.chosenbeanconcerts.org](http://www.chosenbeanconcerts.org)

*Note: concerts are held in the American Legion Room at Chatfield Center for the Arts—  
405 Main Street South, Chatfield, MN 55923*

ELLIS



Saturday, February 13, 2016

7:30—9:30 PM

[www.ellis-music.com](http://www.ellis-music.com)Tickets \$20 *Limited seating — [www.chatfieldcfa.com](http://www.chatfieldcfa.com)*

Coffeehouse concessions, beer &amp; wine available for purchase

*There's just something about Ellis. She is at once funny and wise, thoughtful and uninhibited, and her captivating voice is matched by her uplifting lyrics. Ellis' performances are transformational; she leaves her audiences better than she finds them, with softened edges & opened hearts.*



**Chatfield**  
center for the arts

405 MAIN ST SOUTH—CHATFIELD, MN 55923 (507) 867-2927

*Historic Potter Auditorium*

Facebook Potter Center for the Arts  
[WWW.CHATFIELDCA.COM](http://WWW.CHATFIELDCA.COM)

## PAY YOUR UTILITY BILL ONLINE

Check your City of Chatfield utility account  
balance and make your payment on line



with Visa or MasterCard credit / debit cards. Go to  
[www.ci.chatfield.mn.us](http://www.ci.chatfield.mn.us)

Click on the "Online Payments" link on the left navigation  
bar and follow the prompts.

Questions? Contact Beth at or 867-3810

Code of Ordinances  
Comp Plan 2014  
Financial Reports  
Frequently Asked Questions  
Garbage & Recycling  
Jobs / Volunteering  
Links  
Maps & Plans  
New Resident Information  
Newsletter  
Online Payments  
Rochester City Lines  
School District #227  
Street Light Repair Request

## WE LOVE STORYTIME!



Join the fun every 1st and 3rd  
Tuesday at 10:30 am

Tuesday, February 2nd &

Tuesday, February 16th

Please note: If school starts late or  
is cancelled due to weather,  
Storytime will be cancelled.

## LIBRARY HOURS

Tue. 10:00 am—6:30 pm

Wed. 10:00 am—6:30 pm

Thur. 10:00 am—8:30 pm

Fri. 9:00 am—5:00 pm

Sat. 9:00 am—2:00 pm

Phone: 507-867-3480

314 South Main Street,  
Chatfield MN 55923  
507-867-3480

## CHILLFEST

Thank You!

Many thanks go to the Chosen  
Valley Foundation for taking the  
lead on hosting this celebration.

it is hard to think of  
a year without Chill  
Fest in Chatfield.

Thank you,  
volunteers, and  
Thank you, Chosen  
Valley Foundation!

