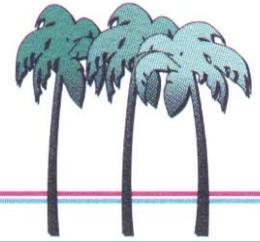


# City of Chowchilla City Spotlight

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## Monthly Calendar

**May 3** - Mayor's Prayer Luncheon (see article below R)

**May 4** - City Offices Closed

**May 8** - City Council Meeting, Civic Center, 7 p.m.

**May 11** - Camarena Health Women's Health Fair (see back)

**May 11** - Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament, Pheasant Run, 1 p.m.

**May 11** - Furlough Day - City/CATX Offices Closed

**May 16** - Planning Commission Meeting, Civic Center, 7 p.m.

**May 17-20** - Chowchilla Madera County Fair (see article to right)

**May 18** - City Offices Closed

**May 19** - Spring Festival Parade, 10 a.m.

**May 22** - City Council Meeting, Civic Center, 7 p.m.

**May 25** - Furlough Day - City/CATX Offices Closed

**May 28** - Memorial Day - City Offices Closed

**May 28** - Annual Memorial Day Ceremony, Chowchilla Cemetery, 10 a.m.

### Coming in June:

**June 2** - Fairmead Centennial Celebration & Parade, 10 a.m.

**June 5-8** - Graduation Week

**June 16-17** - Chowchilla's Relay For Life, CUHS, 9 a.m.

Meeting agendas, minutes and details on events are available on the City's website at [www.ci.chowchilla.ca.us](http://www.ci.chowchilla.ca.us)



The **2012 Chowchilla Madera County Fair** will begin Thursday, May 17 and run through Sunday, May 20. Main Stage entertainment this year includes country western band Whiskey Dawn, "Rockin' Down the Highway", a Doobie Brothers Tribute band, Tennessee River, an Alabama Tribute band, The Beatles Project, The Mike Torres Band, and Pro Wrestling Revolution Lucha Libre.

Daily entertainment includes the Super Science Experiments, Circus Imagination, All Alaskan Racing Pigs, Kid's Pedal Tractor Pulls, Hypnotist Michael Mezmer, Ballooney

## "Country Pride County Wide"

and Magician Frank Thurston. All entertainment is free with paid admission.

Fair Admission is \$8 for adults, \$5 for seniors, and children 6-12 are \$4. Children 5 & under are free. Thursday, May 17 admission will be free for senior citizens (anyone 62 years and older). Kids Day will be held on Friday, May 18 and all kids 12 and under are free that day until 5 p.m.

Advanced discount specials are now on sale until the opening of the fair. Discount specials include the Adult Season Pass for \$20, Child Season Pass for \$12 and the Family Pass which is a one-day admission pass that costs \$20 and includes admission for two adults and two children (ages 6-12).

Carnival coupons will be \$15 this year. Carnival coupons can be exchanged for an unlimited ride wristband or a book of 30 tickets. Thursday, May 17 will be Buddy Day - buy one regular price unlimited ride wristband, get one FREE! All advance discount specials end at the opening of Fair. Coupons are now available at the Fair office.

For more information about the 2012 Chowchilla-Madera County Fair, visit:

[www.chowchillafair.org](http://www.chowchillafair.org) or call the Fair office at (559) 665-3728.



## New Graffiti Ordinance

Parents in Chowchilla can now be held responsible for their children's actions based on a new anti-graffiti city ordinance adopted at the March 27th City Council Meeting.

The new ordinance states if a convicted minor is unable to pay the fines and compensation associated with the graffiti vandalism, then the juvenile's parent or legal guardian can be held liable for the costs.

If a minor is convicted of graffiti vandalism, the minor has to serve 20 to 100 hours of community service but they won't be alone. The new ordinance states that at least one parent

or legal guardian must also be in attendance for 50% of the community service time which shall be supervised by a community service provider approved by the Chief of Police.



This new ordinance also requires local retailers to keep spray paint and indelible ink markers with a tip exceeding four mm wide behind lock and key in their stores. It is also illegal for minors to carry these items onto public property with the exception of these items being required for school or work.

For more information on this ordinance, visit our website at [www.ci.chowchilla.ca.us](http://www.ci.chowchilla.ca.us) and click on 'Municipal Code'.

## MAYOR'S PRAYER LUNCHEON

Thursday, May 3 is the National Day of Prayer which is recognized in Chowchilla by the annual Mayor's Prayer Luncheon.

This event will be held at Faith Hall located next to Life Change Church at 717 Robertson Blvd. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. for a delicious tri-tip lunch; the program begins at noon. Tickets are just \$7 each or \$30 for a table of six. Advanced purchase tickets are recommended; seating will be limited at the door.

For tickets or info, call (559) 665-8615, extension 110.

Hosted by Life Change Church, the Chowchilla Ministerial Association, and the City of Chowchilla.



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### Chowchilla City Council

Janan Hebert, *Mayor*  
Jim Kopshever, *Mayor Pro Tem*  
David Alexander, *Council Member*  
Dennis Haworth, *Council Member*  
Isaac Jackson, *Council Member*

Mark Lewis, *City Administrator*  
Wayne Padilla, *Asst. City Administrator*

### City Council Meetings

City Council meetings are held on the second and fourth **Tuesday** of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center. The agenda is posted on the City website.

### Call Us

Civic Center	(559) 665-8615
City Council	ext. 705
City Administrator	ext. 100
Asst. City Administrator	ext. 101
CDBG	ext. 101
City Clerk	ext. 705
Human Resources	ext. 705
Public Information	ext. 110
Planning	ext. 400
Building	ext. 410
Inspections	ext. 406
Code Enforcement	ext. 406
Fire	ext. 600
Utilities	ext. 783
Finance	ext. 784
Recreation	ext. 110
Public Works	ext. 789
Airport Contact	ext. 322

### Direct Numbers

CATX	665-8655
Police	665-8600
Anonymous Tip Line	665-8624
Fire	665-8626

### Emergency - Call 911

### Contacting Us

To contact the newsletter editor, send email or mail to address listed above or call the Public Information Office at (559) 665-8615, extension 110.

Visa and MasterCard credit cards are now accepted for in-person payments at the Civic Center and the Police Department.



## When to Water

As the spring weather gets warmer, more landscape watering occurs. This is a great time to remind of the City's watering regulations. Residents are required to follow these watering rules on a **year-round** basis:

- ◆ Customers with addresses ending with an even number may water on Tues., Thurs., and Saturday
- ◆ Watering is prohibited between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. on any day
- ◆ Sunday is a NO WATERING DAY
- ◆ Customers with addresses ending with an odd number may

water on Mon., Wed. and Friday



Administrative citations will be issued for non-compliance of these regulations. The City of Chowchilla appreciates everyone doing their part to conserve. For more information, contact the Public Works Department by calling (559) 665-8615, extension 305.

## Resurrection Wrestling

The Chowchilla Warriors Wrestling Program would like to invite everyone to attend their 1st Annual **Chowchilla Resurrection Wrestling Tournament** on Saturday, May 5, 2012. Wrestling begins at 9:00

a.m. at Chowchilla Union High School. The cost is \$5 for adults & \$3 for students to attend. The Chowchilla Warriors Wrestling Program is a new program for boys and girls ages 5-18. Coach Manny Ramirez

stated "This is great quality wrestling that has not been hosted here in a long time. I invite folks to come out and support our program." For information on the event or program, email [manramz@yahoo.com](mailto:manramz@yahoo.com).



## Women's Health Fair

In celebration of National Women's Health Week, Camarena Health will hold their **Women's Health Fair**.

On Friday, May 11, 2012, Camarena Health will host this annual Health Fair in the main parking lot behind its Chowchilla facility at 401 Trinity Avenue.

From 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., the community of Chowchilla will have access to free blood pressure checks, blood sugar checks, nutritional education, and several other health-related services. There will also be dental goodie bags, books for kids, food demonstrations, and raffle prizes, plus plenty of other information.

National Women's Health Week is a weeklong celebration that brings communities, businesses, government, health organizations, and other groups together to help empower women to take charge of their health.

For further information on the Health Fair, call (559) 664-4145 or visit: [www.camarenahealth.org](http://www.camarenahealth.org).

## City News in Brief



**RR Crossing:** We are still in discussions with Union Pacific regarding the repair work to the tracks on Robertson Boulevard. The City is continuing to work on possible options to reduce the need for detours for the 3-4 day project.

**Volunteer Week:** The Volunteer Presentations originally scheduled for April 10 have been postponed until the June 12 City Council Meeting. More information will follow at a later date.

The City thanks the students of Cornerstone Church Student Ministries "Spring Project" for this wonderful new art mural at Sports & Leisure Park. Many students spent their break working on this beautification project. Great job, students!

