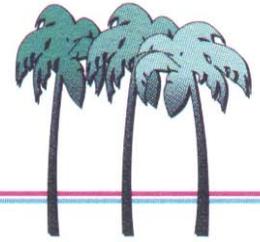




City of Chowchilla

# City Spotlight



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## Monthly Calendar

**Apr 4-6** - Chowchilla Western Stampede, Fairgrounds

**Apr 5** - City Offices Closed

**Apr 9** - City Council Meeting, Civic Center, 7pm

**Apr 10** - Chamber Board Meeting, Civic Center, 12pm

**Apr 15** - Airport Advisory Committee Meeting, Civic Center, 4pm

**Apr 16** - Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting, Civic Center, 7pm

**Apr 17** - Planning Commission Meeting, Civic Center, 7pm

**Apr 18** - Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting, Civic Center, 7pm

**Apr 19** - City Offices Closed

**Apr 19** - Athletic Foundation Golf Outing, Pheasant Run

**Apr 23** - City Council Meeting, Civic Center, 7pm

**Apr 25** - RDA Successor Agency Oversight Board Meeting, Civic Center, 9am

### Coming in May:

**May 2** - Mayor's Prayer Luncheon, Faith Hall, 11:30a

**Apr 3** - City Offices Closed

**May 10** - Chamber Golf Tournament, Pheasant Run, 1:30p

**May 24** - Camarena Women's Health Fair, 401 Trinity, 9a-12p

**May 16-19** - Chowchilla Madera County Fair

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)



## CAT LINX Transit Service to Merced



The City of Chowchilla has a **NEW** daily fixed-route transit service between Chowchilla and Merced. The **Chowchilla Area Transit CAT LINX** bus is operated by Merced Transportation. The service runs Monday - Friday (except holidays) between **Chowchilla** and the **Merced Transportation Center** (710 W. 16th Street) where riders can then link to many other transit options. See the schedule below for bus stop times.

The cost for a one-way trip is **\$2.50 per rider** and daily passes are available for purchase at the Chowchilla Civic Center.

Once at the **Merced Transportation Center** riders can link to other local, regional and national transit systems including **THEBUS** throughout Merced including Merced College, **Cat-**

**Tracks** to UC Merced, **YARTS** to Yosemite, **Greyhound** bus service, and **AMTRAK** routes.

The **CAT LINX** service provides ready transit links for people who work and attend school in Merced. It also gives access to more shopping opportunities and to services such as the Social Security office and job training centers.

If you need help in planning your schedule you can call the **CAT LINX** office at (559) 665-8655 to speak with a transit specialist. They can help you schedule your connections and give you alternatives to get you where you want to go.

### LOCAL DIAL-A-RIDE

For those using public transit within the city limits of Chowchilla, the local **CATX** Dial-A-Ride service has two full-time buses in town that operate Monday - Friday (except holidays). Prices, hours, and service

boundaries remain unchanged for the CATX service.

### MADERA BUS LINK SERVICE

Bus service to the south and into the foothills is also available in Chowchilla by using the Madera County Connection bus service.

With multiple stops in Chowchilla riders can ride to the Fossil Discovery Center, and the Madera Walmart, and ultimately to the Intermodal Station in downtown Madera. There bus services are available into the mountain communities, Madera Ranchos and Children's Hospital, and with transfers to the FAX bus system riders can travel to Fresno and beyond.

Please contact the friendly staff at the office for **CAT LINX** or CATX at (559) 665-8655 for more information.

### CAT LINX - City Linking, Smart Thinking!

<i>CAT LINX to Merced</i>	DEP	ARR	DEP	ARR	DEP	ARR
<b>Countrywood Shopping Center (next to Dollar General)</b>	6:45am		12:15pm		4:25pm	
<b>RC Wisener Park - 2nd/Trinity</b>	6:52am		12:22pm		4:32pm	
<b>Save Mart - 1225 E. Robertson</b>	7:00am		**12:30pm		4:40pm	
<b>Merced Transpo - 16th/O St.</b>		7:25am		12:55pm		5:05pm
<i>CAT LINX to Chowchilla</i>	DEP	ARR	DEP	ARR	DEP	ARR
<b>Merced Transpo - 16th/O St.</b>	7:30am		1:05pm		5:15pm	
<b>Countrywood Shopping Center</b>		*7:55am		1:30pm		5:40pm
<b>RC Wisener Park - 2nd/Trinity</b>		*8:00am		1:35pm		*5:45pm
<b>Save Mart - 1225 E. Robertson</b>		8:05am		1:40pm		5:50pm

\*Connection (conexion) to Madera County Connection

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### Chowchilla City Council

Dennis Haworth, *Mayor*  
Isaac Jackson, *Mayor Pro Tem*  
John Chavez, *Council Member*  
Janan Hebert, *Council Member*  
Richard Walker, *Council Member*

Mark Lewis, *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. 102
City Administrator	ext. 100
City Clerk	ext. 102
Human Resources	ext. 102
Public Information	ext. 110
Planning	ext. 400
Building	ext. 410
Inspections	ext. 407
Code Enforcement	ext. 407
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 accepted for in-person payments at the Civic Center and the Police Department.



# Are You Ready for Your Yard Sale?

It's the season for yard sales and garage sales and the City of Chowchilla has guidelines and requirements that everyone needs to follow to insure the event goes well and does not impact the neighborhood.

### PRIVATE SALES

No more than six (6) sales can be held at the same premises in a calendar year and the sales can not last longer than three (3) consecutive days.

Every yard sale must have a permit issued from the City if Chowchilla Finance Department. The first three (3) yard sale permits in a calendar year are FREE of charge. Any additional permits in the year will cost \$15 per permit. The non-refundable fees

must be paid at time the permit application is filed. The permit must be prominently displayed at the yard sale location on the event day.

One sign advertising the sale can be posted on the premises where the sale is being held. The sign can not be larger than six (6) square feet. Two (2) additional signs maybe posted off-site and they too can not be larger than six (6) square feet. NO SIGNS can be affixed to utility poles, street sign poles or similar items used for public purposes. Signs must be removed within 48 hours of the end of the sale.

Sale items displayed in a front yard can not be placed

in the yard earlier than 6:00 a.m. each day and the sale items must be removed by 8:00 p.m.

### NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS SALES

Registered non-profit organizations may conduct six (6) sale per calendar year for charitable purposes. These sales are limited to no more than three (3) consecutive days. An application must be submitted to obtain a sale permit from the City of Chowchilla Finance Department. The issued permit shall be prominently displayed at the location of the sale. NO FEES will be charged for nonprofit entities.



## When to Water

As the spring weather gets warmer, more landscape watering occurs. This is a perfect time to remind water customers of the City's watering regulations. These watering rules must be followed **year-round**.

◆ Customers with addresses ending with an **ODD** number may

water on Monday, Wednesday and Friday;

◆ Customers with addresses ending with an **EVEN** number may water on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday;

◆ **NO WATERING** is allowed on Sunday;  
◆ Watering is prohibited on any day between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

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

## Mayor's Prayer Luncheon

Life Change Church will be hosting the annual **Mayor's Prayer Luncheon** that will take place on Thursday, May 2.

It will be held at Faith Hall. The doors will open at 11:30 a.m. for lunch and the program will begin at 12:00 noon. The lunch meal, offered by Life Change Church, is available for advance purchase at a cost of \$7.00 per person or \$30.00 per table.

**Advance tickets must be purchased by Thursday, April 25.**

This program is co-sponsored by the Chowchilla Ministerial Association and the City of Chowchilla.

For ticket information call 665-8615, ext. 110

## Rent a Park Pavilion for Your Picnic

If you are planning to have a picnic, a family reunion, a birthday or baby shower, a company gathering, or other outdoor activity at a local City park and would like to reserve a picnic pavilion you should do so early to insure your rental date is available.

There are four pavilions in the three parks—RC Wisener, Sports & Leisure and Veterans Memorial (*2 pavilions*). Pavilions can be rented for a half day for \$40 or a full day for \$55. There is a non-refundable \$10 processing fee. Each pavilion has electricity available for an additional fee.

Rentals can be scheduled at the Chowchilla City Hall Monday - Thursday between