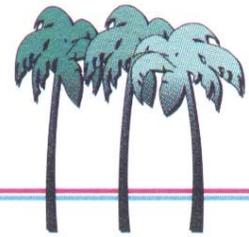


City of Chowchilla City Spotlight



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City Offices Business Hours
Monday—Thursday, 8am-4pm

MONTHLY CALENDAR

June 7 - City Offices Closed

June 11 - City Council Meeting, Civic Center, 7pm

June 14 - City Offices Closed

June 19 - Planning Commission Meeting, Civic Center, 7pm

June 21 - City Offices Closed

June 27 - RDA Successor Agency Meeting, Civic Center, 9am

June 28 - City Offices Closed

June 29 - Save Our Fair Dinner Dance, Chowchilla Fairgrounds

June 29 - Lions Club Fireworks, Berenda Reservoir

July 4 - Independence Day, City Offices Closed

July 5 - City Offices Closed

July 7 - FREE Concert, "Sounds of Freedom" Military Band, Veterans Park, 7pm

July 9 - City Council Meeting, Civic Center, 7pm

July 12 - City Offices Closed

July 15 - Airport Advisory Committee Meeting, Civic Center, 4pm

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

July 17 - Planning Commission Meeting, Civic Center, 7pm

July 18 - Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting, Civic Center, 7pm

Meeting agendas, minutes and details on events are available on the City's website at www.ci.chowchilla.ca.us

Berenda Reservoir Opens Mid-June

The Chowchilla Lions Club plans to open the Berenda Reservoir for public use starting mid-June. The reservoir is a terrific place to take the family to cool off on the hot summer days with boating, jet skiing, swimming and picnicking.

Due to a limited release of water for the 2013 season the Chowchilla Water District anticipates a six-week water season which means the reservoir may only have water through the end of July to early August.

The Chowchilla Lions Club has taken the responsibility

of maintaining and managing the reservoir each season. The club plans to open the reservoir from Thursday through Sunday each week from 9:00am to dusk. Occasionally the reservoir may be

open other weekdays when possible.

Many hours are donated each summer by Lions Club members to prepare and maintain the reservoir facility. Be sure to thank them when you can.

Boat Race June 22

The Chowchilla Lions Club has scheduled a boat race event for the weekend of June 21-23. The California Hot Boat Association will hold their annual race on the Berenda Reservoir waterway and the waterway will be closed for public boating and swimming on Saturday, June 22 from 8:00am to 4:00pm. After the race the waterway will reopen to public use. This free race event is open to the public so everyone is

Chowchilla Lions Club Fireworks June 29

Berenda Reservoir will be the place to start your Independence Day holiday celebration on Saturday, June 29. The Chowchilla Lions Club are planning a fun-filled day of activities presented by the Club and other local service organizations. Of course, the reservoir will be open all day for boating and swimming. The concession stand will be open with Lions Club members offering a variety of picnic foods like hot dogs and hamburgers.

Other groups are planning to have game booths, bounce houses, face-painting and other fun family activities.

As darkness begins to settle in and the waters of Berenda Reservoir calm, the night will suddenly come alive with the bright bursts of colors and the explosive booms of fireworks! The annual Chowchilla Lions Club Fireworks show will begin at dusk.

Plan to pack up the car and get to Berenda Reservoir



early to stake out your space, enjoy the festivities, and have a fun family day, all thanks to the Chowchilla Lions Club.

Watch Your Watering Schedule

Please remember to help conserve our precious water and follow these simple guidelines for irrigating your lawn and shrub areas. Please also remember to water BEFORE 11:00am and AFTER 6:00pm on your scheduled days.

If your address ends with an **ODD** number (1, 3, 5, 7, 9) you can water on Monday, Wednesday & Friday

If your address ends with an **EVEN** number (0, 2, 4, 6, 8) you can water on Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday

Watering lawns and shrub areas is **PROHIBITED** on Sundays

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City Council Meetings

City Council meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm in the Council Chambers at the Civic Center. The agenda is posted on the City web site.

EMERGENCY - CALL 911

Call Us

Civic Center	(559) 665-8615
City Council	ext. 102
City Administrator	ext. 100
City Clerk	ext. 102
Human Resources	ext. 102
Community Relations	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

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CATX/CAT LINX:	665-8655
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Anonymous Tips:	665-8624
Fire:	665-8626

Newsletter Editor Contact

Send email to "Attn: Editor" at generalinfo@ci.chowchilla.ca.us, or mail to 130 S. Second Street, Civic Center Plaza, Chowchilla, CA 93610, or call the Community Relations Office at (559) 665-8615, ext. 110.



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



Fireworks Lottery Drawing

Local community organizations now have the opportunity to enter a drawing to acquire a two-year permit to setup a temporary booth to sell fireworks within the Chowchilla city limits.

Every two years the City of Chowchilla conducts the selection lottery from applications submitted during the month of June. The applications for the 2014 and 2015 sales years are now available. Applications can be obtained at the Community and Economic Development Department at Chowchilla City Hall, 130 S. Second Street and online at the City web site, www.ci.chowchilla.ca.us.

Applications must be turned in between June 1 and June 30, 2013 during business hours of 8:00am to 4:00pm to become eligible for the fireworks lottery drawing. The drawing will be held at the July 9 City Council meeting.

If you have any questions please call Janene Hicks at (559) 665-8615, ext. 410.

Law Enforcement Torch Run Comes To Chowchilla

On Tuesday, June 18 between 8:30-9:30am members of local law enforcement agencies will run a leg of the Northern California Law Enforcement Torch Run into Chowchilla from Highway 99 to Veterans Memorial Park.

The runners come together to escort the Special Olympics torch, the "Flame of Hope" through Northern California on its journey to the 2013 Special Olympics Northern California Summer Games - June 28 - 30, 2013. The games will be held at U.C. Davis and upon its arrival the torch will light the Caldron signaling the Opening of Summer Games.

To learn more and to participate in your own way visit

Make Your Yard Sale Legal

As you plan your yard sale this summer remember you need to obtain a Yard Sale Permit from the City's Finance Department during business hours, Monday through Thursday, 8:00am - 4:00pm. Your first three yard sale permits are FREE.

Signs are prohibited in the public right-of-way and they can not be nailed to utility poles, street signs, trees, or other similar public facilities.

Summer Park Concerts In Chowchilla

The Madera County Arts Council (MCAC) in cooperation with the Chowchilla District Chamber of Commerce and the City of Chowchilla will present two Sunday concerts in Veterans Memorial Park on Robertson Boulevard. Pre-concert activities and concessions will begin at 6pm followed by the concert at 7pm.



The AUSA Military Concert Band, "The Sounds of Freedom", a long time crowd favorite, will play on July 7 in Chowchilla. On August 11, the band "Baloney Creek" will perform their own personal style of bluegrass with a twist of swing, a bit of blues and a collection of old time fiddle tunes.

If you would like to help support this new venture as a sponsor please contact the Chowchilla Chamber office at 665-5603.

A complete schedule of the MCAC concert season will be available at the www.maderaarts.org web site.

CAT LINX Gets You There



AT LINX

You can now take the week-day CAT LINX bus from Chowchilla to Merced and connect to shopping and activities in Merced, and even link to Yosemite National Park.

For example, if you take the 7am Chowchilla bus (\$2.50) you will arrive at the Merced Transportation Center (Transpo) at 7:25am. There you can then board the Route 22 bus (\$1.50) at 7:45am to get to the Amtrak station at 7:50am, or Merced Mall at 7:55am, or Merced College at 8am, or even UC Merced by 8:11am.

Another transit option is to board the Route 2 bus at Merced Transpo at 7:30am and arrive at Applegate Park and the zoo at 7:37am, Wal-Mart at 7:42am, Merced Mall at 7:47am, and Merced College at 7:52am.

Want to take an overnight trip into Yosemite National Park? Round trip from Merced to Yosemite on the 9:00am YARTS bus is \$25; kids 12 & under ride free with a paying adult. All shuttles in the park are free.

For with your transit needs contact the **CAT LINX** office at (559) 665-8655 to speak with a transit specialist.

Want to pay your City utilities bill online? Click the "Pay Your Utility Bill" button at www.ci.chowchilla.ca.us.