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2009 Summer Pool Activities Announced Budget Limitations Impact Aquatics Program

Chowchilla, CA, June 9, 2009: School's out! The summer heat is on! Come swim at your local pool. The City of Chowchilla Parks, Recreation & Community Services Department announces the Summer Aquatics Program at the Chowchilla Union High School Dower Aquatics Facility starting Monday, June 15. Due to budget limitations, the program has been changed but will still provide opportunities for open swim and swim lessons, as well as adult lap swim and private pool rentals.

The summer kicks off with "Open Swim Week" from Monday, June 15 through Friday, June 19 from 1-4 p.m. The pool will be open for daily afternoon use. The admission fee is \$1 for youth and \$2 for adults. After that week, open swim will only be available on Friday afternoons from 1-4 p.m. The Chowchilla Police Activities League (PAL) will present PAL Free Swim Days on July 3, July 17 and August 6. Youth will be admitted free to the pool on those days and special activities and snacks will be presented by officers and staff from the City of Chowchilla Police Department.

Three sessions of swim lessons will be conducted during the summer: Session 1 from June 22 through July 2, Session 2 from July 6 through July 16, and Session 3 from July 20 through July 30. All swim lessons are to be conducted Monday through Thursday afternoons and each class lasts two weeks. Depending on age and ability, swimmers can choose classes from Parent & Child, Introduction to Water Skills, Fundamental Aquatics, Stroke Development and Stroke Improvement. Group swim lessons cost \$35 per person with a minimum of three and a maximum of five participants per class. Limited private one-on-one swim lessons are also available at a cost of \$75 per person. Each session has a deadline date for registrations and class openings are available

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on a first-come, first-serve basis. All swim class registrations must be made at the Parks, Recreation & Community Services office at 145 W. Robertson Boulevard Monday through Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. No registrations will be taken at the pool.

Adult lap swim will be available for fitness enthusiasts this summer as well. This activity is only available during swim lessons Monday through Thursday from 1-4 p.m. The cost is \$2 per person. Parents who enroll their children in swim classes are encouraged to use the class time for lap swimming.

The summer pool season will end the first week of August with the “End of Summer” Open Swim Week from Monday, August 3 through Friday, August 7 with open swim from 1-4 p.m. Daily admission will be \$1 for youth and \$2 for adults.

The Parks, Recreation & Community Services Department has Pool Admission Punch Cards available for purchase at the office. The punch card allows 15 admissions usable by any number of persons such as a family or for just an individual and can be used for admission to open swim and adult lap swim. The cost is \$12 for youth, a savings of \$3, and \$25 for adults, a savings of \$5.

The Dower Aquatics Facility is also available for rental by private groups and families on occasional Saturdays and Sundays. Availability and fees are available from the City of Chowchilla Parks, Recreation & Community Services Department. For more information on rentals, open swim or swim lessons contact the Department at (559) 665-8640 or visit the City website at www.ci.chowchilla.ca.us.

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