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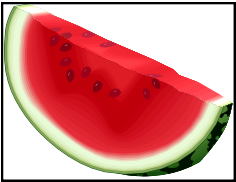
"Happy Birthday America" - Our Annual Fourth Of July Event is coming soon!

The annual Fourth of July celebration in Jonathan, always one of the most family-friendly and enjoyable community gatherings in all of Chaska, is almost here! The event planning team is organized by Linda Frey (Neighborhood Six), Nancy Teske (Onsite Property Mgr), Maria Awes (Clover Preserve), and Marsh Halberg (Neighborhood Two); and also includes Jeri and Tom Glander (Neighborhood Six), and Bruce Koprucki (Neighborhood Four).



"We've got the petting zoo, pony rides, face painting, ice cream, a magician, the trinkets table, kool-aid, and popcorn all ready to go again this year," promises Linda. "Oh, and don't forget the inflatable slide and Bouncy House, too!"

Marsh and Bruce add that the "Kiddie Parade and the Fun Run/Walk" – both longtime favorite Fourth of July traditions in Jonathan – are also planned again this year. "Free T-shirts will be given to the Fun Run/Walk participants," says Marsh. Last year the team of Desmond Alcindor (Neighborhood Six) and Marsh did the judging for the watermelon-eating contest and rumors have it that this fun event for both kids and parents alike will be offered again in 2011.



Jeri Glander will be hosting the always popular (free!) trinkets table again this year, while husband Tom will be serving up some of the tastiest popcorn in Carver County. "I encourage all and Dad's, too – night's sleep the Maria Awes and a parent knowing smile.

For updates and about this year's Celebration in location, and contact:



complete details "Fourth of July Jonathan" activities, times please

www.jonathaninchaska.com or call the Karen House at: 952-448-4700.

It's "Happy Birthday America" time again in Jonathan – see you there!

The Jonathan Association has many committees, all of which need resident input. Please consider joining one of the following committees:

- Heritage
- Activities
- Architectural Review
- Buildings & Grounds
- Communications
- Elections
- Finance

Contact the Karen House staff at 952-448-4700 or www.jonathaninchaska.com

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25th Annual Festival of Garage Sales was VERY Successful!

"What a great day we had this year – in spite of the rain," said Linda Frey (Neighborhood

members (Carol Hauck, Ranell Johnson, Jeri Glander, Sharon Butz, Sandy Olson, ReNae



'Sunny' Garage Salers!

CLOTHES ANYONE!?



Motl, and Cheryl Chalupsky) for their hard work. "I also want to thank Jonathan residents for their \$598 in registration donations," adds Linda. "Oh, and our sincere thanks go to the Jonathan Board for the contribution of \$625 to our participants drawing, too!"

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE GIFT CARD WINNERS!



Six) the event organizer for the 25th Annual Festival of Garage Sales in Jonathan. "The partnership efforts between St. Andrew West Lutheran Church and Jonathan, along with a matching grant from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, raised \$2,820 for the Bountiful Baskets Food Shelf!" Linda pointed out that "every dollar we raised buys a total of \$9.00 worth of food...so that means our raised amount of \$2,820 is equal to \$25,383 in purchasing power – WOW!" There were a total of 119 registered garage sales, up from 107 last year, and more than 40 volunteers participated throughout the day. "These folks had so much fun and a sense of camaraderie," observed Linda. "No doubt they enjoyed the fact that they were doing a real good thing for a great cause!" Linda thanks the Festival of Garage Sales Planning Team



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CHASKA POLICE SAFETY TIPS
By Officers Brady Juell & Mike Kleber, Special Correspondents

With the coming warmer weather months of spring and early summer, many residents will begin to get outside and exercise more often. The Chaska Police Department reminds you to do so safely. Here are a few tips to achieve a safe experience:

- When going out to walk, run, bike or go to the beach, always let someone know where you are going and when you expect to be back. Consider bringing a friend along with.
- Take your cell phone with you. If you are injured or see something suspicious, you will be able to call for help.
- Stay aware. With the advent of iPods and MP3 players, some people “zone out” while exercising. Always be aware of your surroundings. If you are aware of your surroundings, you are less likely to be targeted and victimized.
- If exercising at night, only use well lit and traveled paths. You may have to alter your normal routine in exchange for the safest path. Try to incorporate reflective clothing or bring a flashlight with you. This way others will see you, especially if running on a roadway. If biking, it's the law to have a light on the bike.



- If you carry personal protection such as pepper spray, it is a must that it be carried in your hand. If you encounter trouble, there will be no time to “look for it” after the fact.
- The Chaska Police encourage residents to call 911 to report any suspicious activity.

Chaska is an extremely safe community, but using the above safety tips can help make it even safer. The Chaska Police Department encourages you to exercise safely and enjoy the warm summer months!

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Jonathan Association named “Outstanding Chartering Partner” for 2010

At the Annual Lake Minnetonka District (Northern Star Council, Boy Scouts of America) Awards Dinner on May 5, 2011, the Jonathan Association of Chaska was named recipient of the “Outstanding Chartering Partner” award for 2010.

“During the past year, the Jonathan Association has done a great job of supporting its local Scout Troop in a variety of ways; including helping host community events and fundraisers, purchasing camping supplies, and assisting with Eagle Scout service projects,” said Patti Czech, Lake Minnetonka District Executive. “Just about everything anyone could ask of a chartered organization!”

Jonathan has been the charter sponsor of Chaska Boy Scout Troop 589 for over 30 years, one of the longest such partnerships in the state. “We could not be more proud and more excited to be a part of the Jonathan community,” added Jon Leinen, Troop 589 Committee Chair.

“We take this opportunity to recognize Nate Bostrom, David Snodgrass, Sandi Rossol, Mark Perry, Dick Hagen, Linda Frey, Walt Ripplinger, Kelly Cutler and Jim Battenberg of the Jonathan Association Board for their support of Chaska Troop 589 in 2010,” Czech announced.



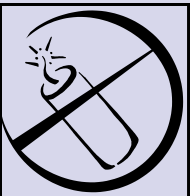
Jon Leinen (Troop 589 Committee Chair) and Patti Czech (BSA District Executive) present the “Outstanding Chartering Partner” award to Jonathan Association President Nate Bostrom, accepting on behalf of the Association.



**Important information from Officer Julie Janke,
Chaska Community Partnership Specialist**

Be Safe...Be Legal. It is our hope that you have a wonderful and safe 4th of July holiday! It is also time to remind you about illegal fireworks. Under Minnesota law—If it makes a “boom” and/or leaves the ground it is illegal. A disturbingly high number of persons, under the age of

21, go to hospital emergency rooms around this holiday, with varied and severe injuries. The most common injuries people suffer are to the eyes and hands. For more info. please visit www.dps.state.mn.us/fmarshal/fireworks.html.



SPRING Clean up 2011—It's in the BAG!

TONS of yard waste was picked up around Jonathan neighborhoods and dropped off at Athletic Park. As in years past, Boy Scout Troop 589 was there in force to lend a hand! A big thanks to them and also to volunteers Jim Battenberg - Gassen onsite employee and Nate Bostrom-Jonathan Board President.



CALLING ALL Shutterbugs...
Jonathan Association PHOTO CONTEST
Underway!

This is a contest for ALL ages and anyone who enjoys taking pictures! Requirements are as follows:

- Must be a Jonathan resident
- Pictures within and of the Jonathan neighborhoods, parks, or trails ONLY
- 1 entry per household : write name, phone, and location of picture on back of picture
- Mail 4x6 or 5x7 print to the Karen House at 111000 Bavaria Rd.
- Entry deadline—postmarked by Sunday, May 15th
- Judging quarterly—winning picture submitted in next issue of the Newsletter
- Judging panel will be Nancy Teske & Jim Battenberg, Gassen on-site employees plus a seasoned member of the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum Photographer Society
- PRIZES : \$25 VISA Gift Card per Quarter and \$100 VISA Gift Card for the GRAND PRIZE winner chosen from the quarterly winners. 2011 Grand Prize winner will be Announced in the WINTER issue

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Award Recipients - continued

Also at the May monthly meeting, the Jonathan Board selected the following individuals as worthy recipients of the "Seedling Award" for 2011: Gina Light (Boy Scout Hog Roast Picnic), Joanna and Lauren Halberg (Fourth of July Celebration), Tom Glander (Fourth of July Celebration), Jason Lund (Beautification of Common Areas), Geri Ripplinger (Little Dance in Chaska Pow Wow), John Varone (Little Dance in Chaska Pow Wow), Ted Rogers (Newsletter Advertiser, Service Vendor, and Benefactor for Boy Scout Hog Roast Picnic), Maria Awes (Cocoa and Coasting Sledding Party, Fourth of July Celebration) and Mark Halla (Cocoa and Coasting Sledding Party).

In addition, the Jonathan Board also recognized the following Boy Scouts, Parents, Siblings, and Adult Leaders from Troop 589 for their volunteer contributions (i.e., Spring & Fall

Clean Up Days, Eagle Projects, etc) to our Association: Anson Allard, Jake Bell, Cory Bach, Kasey Crumpton, Jake Connealy, Jeremy Caulfield, Matthew Dale, Steve Dale, Colin Emerson, Steve Emerson, Leif Ewald, Jonathan Early, Shawn Hanson, Greg Hammer, Bob Hanson, Cameron Leinen, Alex Logan, Brady Lass, David Kloke, Ryan Kloke, Ben Kloke, Connor Martin, Sonya Martin, Karl Martin, Brooke Moormeier, Mike McGraw, Andrew Maries, Joshua Ramette, Caleb Ramette, David Roper, Jake Richelsen, Mason Satterman, Jacob Simon, Kieren Webster, Jared Zingsheim, Jim Ramette (Troop 589 Scoutmaster), and Jon Leinen (Troop 589 Committee Chair).

The Jonathan Board of Directors conveys a sincere and heartfelt "thank you!" to each and every recipient of the 2011 "Apple Award" and "Seedling Award." A community

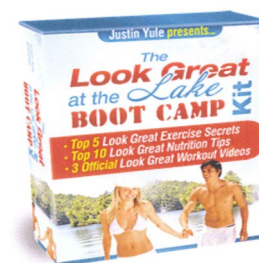
that encourages, receives and acknowledges volunteer service to neighbors is what our founder Henry McKnight envisioned more than four decades ago...and is an important reason why Jonathan in Chaska continues to be "...a special part of the best small town in Minnesota."



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Board Names "Apple" and "Seedling" Award Recipients for 2011

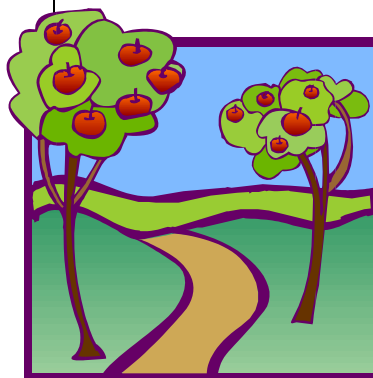


Each summer the Jonathan Association's Board of Directors thanks the many volunteers in our community ("Jonathan in Chaska, a special part of the best small town in Minnesota") by presenting the Apple and Seedling awards to deserving individuals.

The "Apple Award" program was started in 1993 by the Jonathan Association Board of Directors and it is the highest honor that the Jonathan Association gives. The Apple Award is intended to recognize extraordinary service given on behalf of Jonathan and its residents. This extraordinary service can occur during significant short-term assignments; or through a variety of volunteer activities performed over many years, sometimes even decades.

The Apple Award is not necessarily strictly defined or designated as an award but is rather, a rare recognition of a person's significant commitment to and successful leadership of the Jonathan community. Through the years, recipients of the Apple Award have included those who have demonstrated entrepreneurial vision and integrity of character.

At its May monthly meeting, the Jonathan Board selected Bob Moeller, Bruce Koprucki and Alice O'Donnell as 2011 recipients of the "Apple Award." All three of these special Jonathan neighbors have been important volunteers: Bob's leadership has included serving on the Architectural Review Committee and the Ad Hoc/Settlement Committee; Bruce has built a number of wooden structures throughout the many common areas in Jonathan and is a long-time member of the Fourth of July Celebration Committee; and Alice has served more than once on the Nominating Committee and was a founding member of the Heritage Committee.

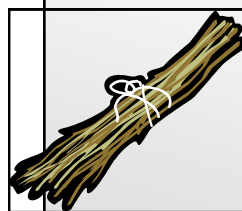


The Seedling Award program was started in 2009 by the Jonathan Association Board of Directors and is designed to recognize individuals for their current volunteer contributions of time and effort given on behalf of their fellow Jonathan Neighbors. In many instances, the Seedling Award is the first public recognition given to an individual by the Jonathan Association.

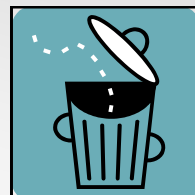
"A full grown apple tree often starts as a seedling." Just as the Apple Award recognizes those who have made significant or long-term volunteer contributions to Jonathan, the Seedling Award identifies the first and smallest of what might later become many and larger volunteer contributions to Jonathan. **Continued on Page 17**

FRIENDLY REMINDER : PLEASE KEEP JONATHAN BEAUTIFUL!

Please do not dump your garbage, lawn trimmings, or branches / twigs at the Karen House. Remember, the garbage cans along the trails are to be used for trail garbage only. Please do not put hazardous materials in these containers. Our trail system is for the enjoyment of everyone and not a dumping ground for personal trash.



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- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness;
- Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs;
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.



This year, the Jonathan Association will encourage each of Jonathan's 23 neighborhoods to organize their own event/party in order to accomplish the primary goals of NNO. As an incentive, **Jonathan will reimburse each neighborhood of up to \$100** for any associated supplies needed to hold their event. In order to facilitate the various neighborhood activities, the Jonathan Association asks each neighborhood that wants to participate in NNO to do the following:

- Designate a captain and a team responsible for planning your neighborhood's event.
- **Register your neighborhood with Nancy at the Jonathan office – 952.448.4700.**
- Notify Officer Julie Janke of the Chaska Police at jjanke@chaskamn.com that your neighborhood is having an event and give her your contact information.
- Visit (www.nationaltownwatch.org/nno) for ideas and register your neighborhood in order to receive a NNO organizational kit filled with how-to materials.
- Keep your receipts for submission to the Jonathan Association Office after the event for your neighborhood's \$100 reimbursement.
- Have fun and get to know you neighbors!

Officer Julie will schedule a visit to your party from the Chaska Police and Fire Departments, and Jonathan will have an antique fire engine circulating the neighborhoods offering rides to children. Keep in mind the earlier each neighborhood registers, the greater chance that visits can/will be made to your neighborhood! If you have any questions or comments, please call the Jonathan Office or email Linda at Linda@jonathaninchaska.com.



A Little Thoughtfulness Goes a Long Way.....

Please be considerate to your neighbors and remember to clean-up after your pet when out on walks in the many beautiful Jonathan neighborhoods. And please remember that in Chaska, this kind of “thoughtfulness” is the law!

Also, please remember that all animals must be leashed when not on your private property.



The Powwow is Coming Soon!


Please mark your calendars, the 2nd annual “Little Dance in Chaska” (Chaske Cikala Wacipi) is scheduled for the weekend of August 20-21, 2011 and will be held in McKnight Park which is located near the intersection of Village Road and Pioneer Trail. Just like last year, authentic food will be sold and admission is free to the public.

The “Little Dance in Chaska” powwow is sponsored by the Mendota Mdewakanton Dakota Community, the Jonathan Association, and the City of



Jonathan Board member Walt Ripplinger, a member of the Lakota community, is the organizer and master of ceremonies for the “Little Dance in Chaska” powwow.

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The “Little Dance in Chaska” (Chaske Cikala Wacipi) is another example of why we describe our community of neighborhoods as “Jonathan in Chaska, a special part of the best small town in Minnesota”!



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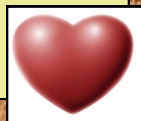
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June 17 - After 5	July 29 - Chaska Valley Community Band
June 24 - Chaska Valley Community Band	August 5 - Bavarian Musikmeisters
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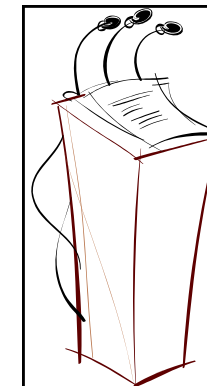
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Board Announces Election Results & Committee Assignments for 2011

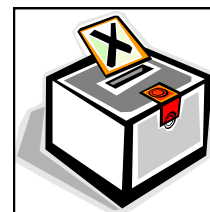
Kristin Alcindor (Neighborhood Six), Brandon Maves (Neighborhood Eleven) and Walt Ripplinger (Neighborhood Seven) were elected to 3-year terms on the Jonathan Association's Board of Directors as a result of the recently concluded 2011 election. "The 2011 Election Committee is proud to welcome Kristin Alcindor and Brandon Maves as newcomers to the Jonathan Board," said Jonathan Election Committee Chair Sandi Rossol. "And we congratulate Walt Ripplinger on his successful re-election effort."



The Jonathan Election Committee reported that a total of 1,644 votes were cast via mail-in ballots, with 60 of those votes coming from apartment owners. Joining Rossol (Autumn Woods) on the 2011 Election Committee were homeowners Mike Liebe (Neighborhood Three), Dick Hagen (Neighborhood Three), and Marie Esch (Neighborhood One); along with Gassen Property Manager Terri Redshaw; and the Association's legal counsel, David Hellmuth.

The members of the 2011 Nominating Committee included: Linda Frey – Chair (Neighborhood Six), Jeri Glander (Neighborhood Six) and Alice O'Donnell (Neighborhood One). The Nominating Committee surveyed about a dozen potential candidates, and eventually presented a total of four nominees for consideration by the Association members.

"This is the Jonathan Association's first Board of Directors election since 2008," said President Nate Bostrom (Clover Field). "We think this demonstrates that homeowner interest and satisfaction is running strong. All the candidates were very pro-Jonathan, upbeat in their assessment of the Association, and optimistic about our future."



During the last two years there weren't enough interested candidates for the Jonathan Board of Directors to warrant an election, which prompted the Board to simply appoint applicants instead. However, this year four enthusiastic homeowners announced their candidacy for the three open spots on the Board.

There are nine members on the Jonathan Association Board of Directors and each member serves a three-year term. The responsibilities of Board members include: management of association and staff; annual budget; prioritizing capital projects; establishing policies; and providing strategic direction for the Association.

The Jonathan Board also chose their officers for 2011. Nate Bostrom will serve as President; David Snodgrass (Clover Ridge) as Vice-President; Kelly Cutler (Neighborhood (Neighborhood Six) as Treasurer. The Linda Frey – Activities; Kelly Cutler – Buildings & Grounds; David Snodgrass – Nancy Dilks (Neighborhood One) – Committee.

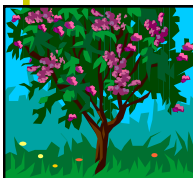




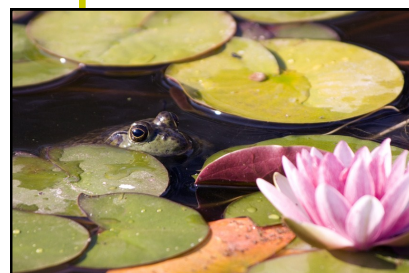
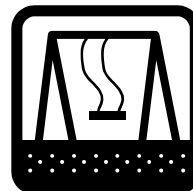
Jonathan's Progress



Summer really is upon us and our calendars are filling fast! We look forward to those sunny days which get us outside, working in our yards, getting caught up with your neighbor, walking or biking on trails, etc. This summer around Jonathan you will see some new and exciting things! As every year we are once again planting 50 + new Boulevard trees. We pay close attention to the overall health of boulevard trees, and those that are diseased, dead, or dying take priority over those that have growth or are considered healthy. Japanese lilac trees is the 2011 tree of choice. They will all have water bags installed to ensure a good start!



We will also be replacing the Tot Lot play sets at Neighborhood 4 Bender Rd. and Neighborhood 7 Dresden Dr. The plans also include swing sets and new benches for each location.

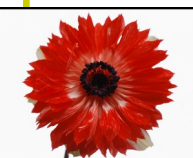


Those neighbors in Autumn Woods will enjoy a new fountain aerator which will be installed soon in the pond at Julian Dr. This aerator will ensure healthier conditions for the environment on and around this 80 ft. deep pond.

4th of July at the Karen House will again prove to be a great time for the whole family and it's FREE! Refreshments, ice cream, popcorn, games, bouncy house & slide, petting zoo, and magic show just to

name a few! Kicking it off will be another kiddie parade, and Fun Run! So pack your sunscreen, bug spray, and all things patriotic—we look forward to seeing you there! A reminder mailed separately with more details or call Nancy at the Karen

Consider being a neighborhood captain and kickoff some neighborhood for National Night Out!! The Jonathan Association everyone to get to know your neighbors, therefore, to \$100 towards the cost of your event! Please see details on page 6 of this newsletter and have FUN!



Monument sign plants and flowers looking gorgeous around Jonathan! In large part due to the green thumb of our own professional gardener and Jonathan resident, Ellis Noone. She's removing weeds and bringing all plantings to a healthier state along with ensuring longevity—thank you Ellis!



postcard will be House 952.448.4700. excitement in your wants to encourage we will reimburse up

"Jonathan's Progress" was the name of the Jonathan Association newsletter from 1968-72.

"Jonathan Notes" was originally the name of the Jonathan newsletter from 1973-77.

The Jonathan Association Board of Directors will hold their July meeting on July 12, which is the second Tuesday of the month. The meeting will be held at the Chaska City Hall, Council Chambers at 6:30pm (unless otherwise announced). We'd love to see YOU there! If you're unable to attend in person, please consider watching the Jonathan Board meetings on Chaska Community Television by tuning to Channel 15 locally. Catch the replays on Tuesdays at 1:00pm or on Saturdays at 7:00pm.

Jonathan Notes

~ Classified Ads ~

Photography Equipment available : Tripods, floodlights, cameras, etc. Interested? Contact Anne Olmsted at 952.448.4624.

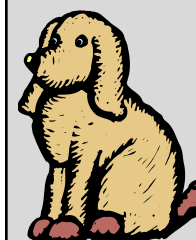
Are you looking for babysitting or lawn cutting services? Are you a teen looking for odd jobs during weekends or after school hours? Please let us know! Each edition of Jonathan Neighbors will include a Classified section for our Jonathan Association neighbors. It's FREE-of-charge for residents personal use. Contact the Karen House at 952-448-4700 or send an email request to: www.jonathan@jonathaninchaska.com.



BIKE SALE & much more!

Thursday, July 14th at Firemen's Park 5-8 pm

- Music by Kidsdance
- Bike Sale
- Bike Helmets for SALE—only \$10.
- Register your bike (to prevent loss)
- Register your dog, old or new
- Rabies vaccination clinic too!



Bring your bike, your dog and get your groove on while checking things off that to do list!

For more information contact Officer Janke at 952.448.4200 or email

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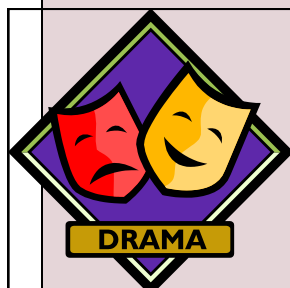
1st PHOTO CONTEST WINNER— CONGRATULATIONS Dick Bruesehoff!

Thankfully our long Winter is a distant memory, however, Dick captured beautiful McKnight Park while out on a stroll. CONGRATULATIONS—He won a \$25 Gift Card and will be entered for the Grand Prize which will be announced in the Winter 2011 issue. Thanks to all who entered, keep those photos coming!



BLAST from the PAST—A look back at life in Jonathan

A new and ongoing article in the Jonathan Neighbors Newsletter will be a reminiscent look at how our current or former neighbors lived life in Jonathan a few years ago or even a few decades ago. Here's a cover of a playbill, which showed that theater was alive and well in Jonathan circa 1973. The



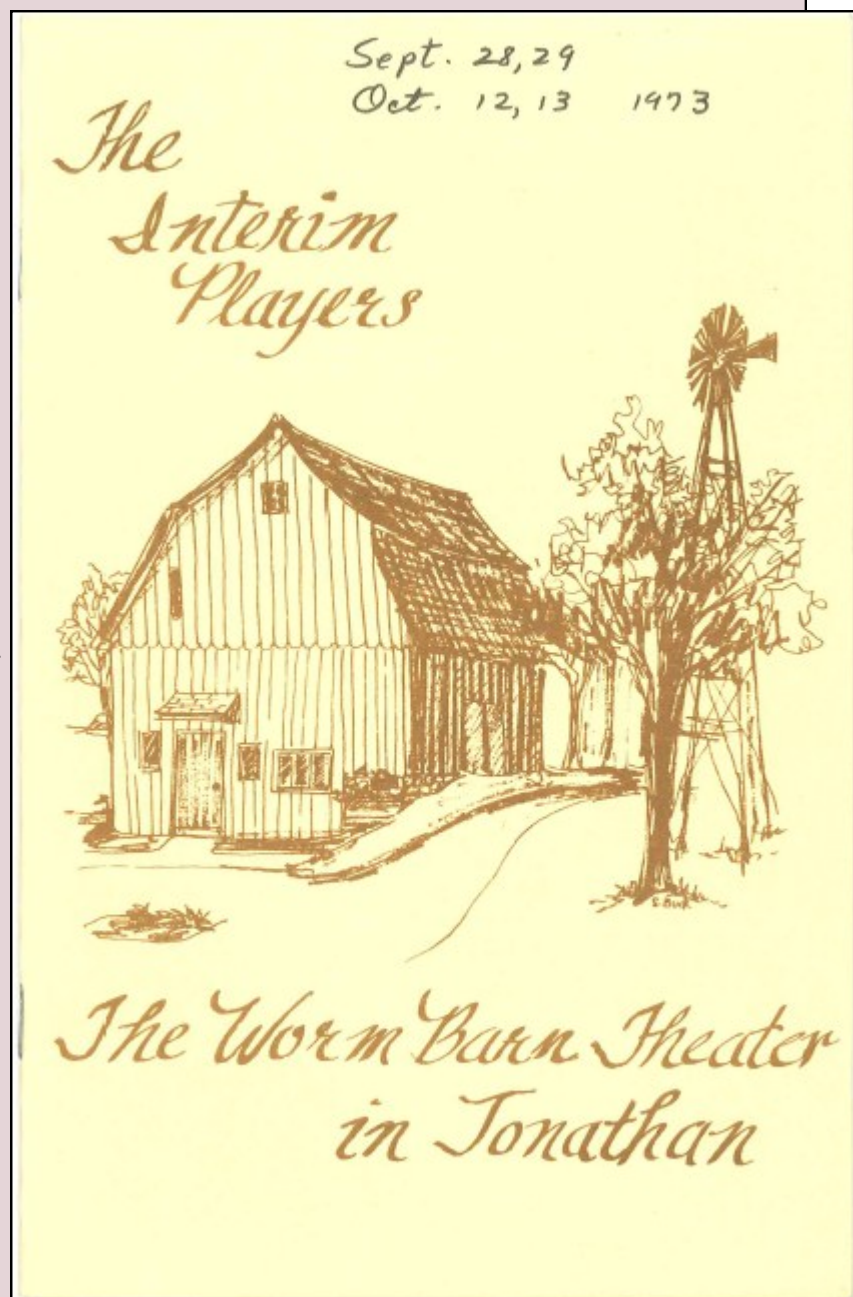
Worm family farmhouse on Bavaria Rd. (now the Karen House headquarters office for the Jonathan Association) was initially used as an

art center, and the massive barn was renovated for community use. The main floor of the barn became the home for the Chaska Civic Theater.

The Interim Players presented "You Can't Take it With You" - which was a play that took place in the mid 1930's. It's a comedic play with 3 acts.

Overview : At first the Sycamores seem mad, but it is not long before you realize that if they are mad, then the rest of the world is madder. In contrast to these delightful people are the unhappy Kirbys. Tony, the attractive young son of the Kirbys, falls in love with Alice Sycamore and brings his parents to dine at the Sycamore house on the wrong evening. The shock sustained by Mr. and Mrs. Kirby, who are invited to eat cheap food, shows Alice that marriage with Tony is out of the question. The Sycamores find it hard to understand Alice's view. Tony knows the Sycamores live the right

way with love and care for each other, while his own family is the one that's crazy. In the end, Mr. Kirby is converted to the happy madness of the Sycamores after he happens in during a visit by the ex-Grand Duchess of Russia, Olga Katrina, who is currently earning her living as a waitress. Actors, many of whom were Jonathan residents : Zoya Cottom, Sonia Burton, Jean Trygstad, Jim Kincannon, Bjorn Rossing, Bill Lidell, Paul Ruppel, Morison Buell, Doreen Dragotis, Doug Blethen, John Trygstad, Paul Zoschke, Loretta Thompson, Sandy Hey, Mike Lenzen, Patricia Chergi, John Hey, Tom Hetland, Clair Woodley. THANK YOU Players! Sadly, the Worm barn burnt down in 1989.



Jonathan's Journal



Jonathan in Chaska is a special part of the best small town in Minnesota...and it's also the largest homeowner's association in the state!

The Jonathan Association includes: 23 neighborhoods; 2,900 homes; 8,000

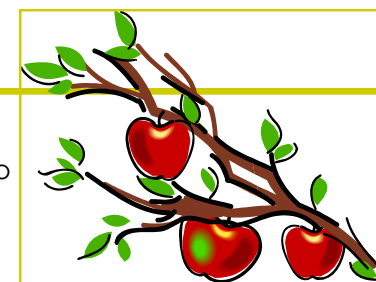
"Jonathan's Journal" was the name of a newsletter originally published by the Jonathan Development Corporation from 1971-72.

residents (a third of Chaska's population); 19 tot lot playgrounds; 34 neighborhood entrances; 47 mail stations and bus shelters; 20 miles of paved walking trails; and covers approximately 2,200 acres. In addition, Jonathan also maintains two historic Chaska farmhouses (Karen House and Eitel House) as well as the Lake Grace Pavilion and recreational beach area.

Jonathan is managed by Gassen Companies, which provides professional property management services to homeowner associations in 15 Minnesota counties. The Gassen organization was formed in 1969 and is accredited with the Better Business Bureau.



Jonathan Apple Seeds



George Bender was the first local farmer to sell his property to the "New Town" of Jonathan. His grandfather, Christian Bender, homesteaded this land in 1854 and he was formally given title to it in a deed personally signed on August 1, 1861 by President Abraham Lincoln. The "Jonathan in Chaska" silo, located on the original Bender farm at Hwy 41 and Hundertmark Rd. was dedicated in October 2001.



In May 1972, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) George Romney visited Jonathan to inspect the progress of HUD's "New Communities" Program in Minnesota's first New Town. A Jonathan apple tree was planted to commemorate the visit. George Romney was the former governor of Michigan, and his son Mitt Romney was elected governor of Massachusetts some thirty years later.



Kathleen "Kacie" Brown, born in December 1969 was the very first "native born" Jonathan citizen. Kacie's parents, Bill and Maggie Brown, had moved into Jonathan in October 1968. The Browns were Jonathan's first residential home buyers.

"Jonathan Apple Seeds" was the name of the Jonathan newsletter from 1978-79.



Jonathan's News & Views

Here's a first look at the storage facility, which as I type, is getting trim paint. This facility has been years in the making, so it's exciting finally have a structure in place. What remains is a phased



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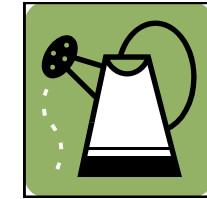
approach to completion in it's entirety—there are still some little details coming, and eventually we'll get to landscaping. This facility makes for improved security and storage for our valuable maintenance equipment and vehicles. We are busy moving out of the Lake Grace pavilion in order to clear the way for that exciting transformation as well! Through the joint efforts between the City of Chaska, the Heritage

"Jonathan News & Views" was the official name of the Jonathan newsletter from 1980-2004).

Preservation Committee, and the Jonathan Association, we have tried to preserve the history and integrity of what once stood here, the Worm barn, which was a part of the Worm family farm—referenced in the article on page 12. This structure is a sure sign of progress as well as paying homage to the deep rooted history of Jonathan.

~ Attention all Recreational Vehicles ~

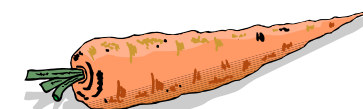
April 1st is the day for transition from winter to summer recreational vehicles. Snowmobiles and trailers must be put away and boats, trailers, RV's, ATV's may come out. All vehicles must be parked on the driveway; nothing can be parked on lawns. Residents may construct driveway extensions to accommodate their recreational vehicles. Residents may contact the Karen House to get a copy of the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) Guidelines or print from our website at www.jonathaninchaska.com. Specs and requirements are outlined in those documents. For approval, ARC only requires a sketch of the location of the driveway extension as it relates to, and connects with, the existing driveway; distance from the lot line; and notation of material used.



GARDEN PLOTS STILL AVAILABLE

Thankfully it's that time of year to stand in line to purchase dirt, mulch, perennials, seeds, etc. You will need all of that in order to make your garden GROW! The Jonathan Association has a community garden with 48 garden plots available for your gardening pleasure! It is located off of Bavaria Rd and Hundertmark. Consider reserving your plot for \$25 each. The plots measure all the same size at 20 x 30. The Registration form is on our website at www.jonathaninchaska.com. Please fill out and drop off at the Karen House so you can choose the location of your plot—it is on a first come first serve basis. Check or Money Order are the only accepted FOP's at this time. Also on our website are updated Garden Rules which outline details for watering, refund policy, and MORE.

Happy Growing Gardeners!



Board Designates its "Strategic Priorities" for 2011

At its May monthly meeting, the Jonathan Board of Directors designated a list of "Strategic Priorities" as an overall guide for the Board members and the Gassen Company staff employees for 2011. "While management is doing things right, leadership is doing the right things," said Jonathan President Nate Bostrom. "That's why it's so important for any successful organization to spell out its strategic priorities as an intentional map for decision-making." The Jonathan Board's "Strategic Priorities" for 2011 are:

- Improve the quality and add new methods of communication
- Deliver added-value via innovative partnerships
- Pursue an equitable distribution of resources
- Provide community-building activities
- Maintain charter sponsorship of BSA Troop 589
- Establish a wholly-owned 501c3 subsidiary organizational unit
- Upgrade the value of the common area properties
- Proceed with the Lake Grace Pavilion and Landscape renovation
- Complete Phase II of creating a documentary film about Jonathan's history
- Explore the possible designation of historic properties within Jonathan
- Increase the membership and effectiveness of all Committees
- Implement Year Two of the "2039 Plan"

This is the third consecutive year in which the Jonathan Association Board of Directors has identified a list of strategic priorities as a leadership tool to guide its actions. "Designating strategic priorities is so important for any group of leaders," says Bostrom. "The last thing you want to do is to confuse motion with progress."

