



IN THIS ISSUE

Meet FirstService Residential
Neighbor's Story
East Lake Grace Trail
2021 Projects
Community Gardens

JONATHAN
Neighbors

Malone & Everett Prescott playing at the new tot
lot at Acorn Park in Autumn Woods.

SPRING/SUMMER 2021

NEW BOARD MEMBER

KEVIN HILL

I moved to Chaska when I was four years old and have lived here most of my life. I have worked as an Assistant County Attorney in Chaska since 2016. My duties have spanned from traffic tickets to third degree murder. My wife, two children and I moved back to Chaska in December of 2019; just in time to welcome triplets to our family in March of 2020.

NEW BOARD MEMBER

PAUL VAN DYKE

I moved into the Mill Pond neighborhood, almost five years ago, and am currently the Mill Pond Townhomes Association president. I have been in the IT business for many, many years; the last eight, working at C.H. Robinson as a database programmer. I am also a part-time real estate investor.



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Spring has finally arrived in Jonathan! I'd like to open with my sincerest appreciation to all members who were able to virtually attend the annual meeting. Our management partners, at FSR, skillfully moderated the conversation, to ensure each member had the opportunity to engage. A special note of appreciation to Kevin Fafinski & Justin Scharpen for leading the nominating committee through this election season.

Our priorities for the year remain steadfast in advancing the strategic plan of the association. The most visible evidence of to the board's success is the maintenance of the common area elements that enhance the community. From meticulously cared-for neighborhood entrance monuments to well-maintained outdoor recreational areas, these spaces must always deliver the highest return for member enjoyment. The board welcomes your engagement as we work on providing best-in-class amenities.

The past year has been quite challenging for most of our community members. With the return of events, such as the annual festival of garage sales, we have the opportunities to connect, once again, as neighbors; new and old. I believe this sense of community and belonging will always be the best asset of life in Jonathan.

Thank you to the board for the trust to serve our community, as president, in the year ahead. It is truly an honor and duty, accepted with the greatest appreciation. Wishing you good health and hoping for brighter days on the horizon.



Jeremy Landkammer Ely

President, Jonathan Association Board of Directors





FIRSTSERVICE RESIDENTIAL

Pictured left to right: Jeff Peterson, *Regional Director*, Cory Zimmerman, *Grounds Supervisor*, Traci Gannon, *On-Site Office Manager*, Maggie Mahmood, *Association Manager*, Paul Lehner, *Grounds Assistant*

The Jonathan Association's new management team, FirstService Residential

FirstService Residential is pleased to be a part of the exceptional team at The Jonathan Association. On November 1st, 2020, the board of directors retained the firm as managing agent of The Jonathan Association. Their goal is to provide the highest standards of professional management services, represent the best interests of the association, and, to the greatest extent possible, be responsive to the needs of all owners and residents. They intend to function entirely under the direction, authority, and control of the duly-elected board of directors. FirstService Residential offers a talented team of management professionals with a local corporate office in Bloomington, MN. All homeowners are encouraged to register email addresses at www.TheJonathan.connectresident.com. Community news, calendar events, and important updates will be sent via mass communication through this website.

SPRING CLEANING

The management team will be conducting exterior spring property inspections of each neighborhood. The purpose of the spring inspections are to ensure that the beauty and maintenance of all property (member and association) is being upheld. Exterior improvements, changes, and/or additions require an application to be submitted for written approval. Applications are available on the website or at the Karen House. Please reach out to Traci, directly, with any questions. FirstService Residential looks forward

to the beauty that spring, and summer bring to Jonathan. We appreciate your efforts in helping to maintain your community.

FOR THE LOVE OF FUR BABIES

Spring clean-up also includes ensuring that animal waste is picked up. This is important on member and association property, like common areas. Dog waste stations are located throughout the community. If you see an area in which a dog waste station should be added, please contact the association office. Please be sure to follow all city and association rules. Please remember that local ordinances require us to keep pets leashed at all times. If you have an invisible fence, it is helpful to post a notice.

JONATHAN ASSOCIATION & SUB ASSOCIATIONS

The Jonathan Association maintains ponds, tot lots, trees, landscaping, and 10+ miles of walking trails. Their responsibility is for the common grounds of association-owned property. Most single-family homes, within Jonathan, do not have sub associations. Sub associations encompass condominiums, townhouses, flats, and rental apartments. The Jonathan

Association website allows members to search, by address, for documents related to specific neighborhoods. See the residents page of The Jonathan Association website for more details and documentation.



A NEIGHBOR'S STORY

by Heather Chakirov

Heather Chakirov was elected to The Jonathan Association Board of Directors in February of 2020. She was recently selected to serve as secretary on the board. She has resided at 3330 Julian Drive in Autumn Woods, since May of 2015. She lives with her husband, Souren, and their six-year-old son, Eddie. Eddie attends kindergarten at Jonathan Elementary. The Chakirov family can think of no better place to raise children than in Chaska, within the Jonathan community.

Heather joined The Jonathan Association Board of Directors because of the amazing opportunity it presented to serve and give back to the community that she loves. She firmly believes that the work the association does is integral to preserving the beauty and desirability of living in the Chaska area, for future generations to come.

Heather brings a wealth of professional and volunteer experience to her position on the board. She is an attorney, practicing in the areas of estate planning and family law. She was named a Rising Star by Super Lawyers Magazine. She is currently co-owner of a law firm located in Bloomington, named Randen, Chakirov & Grotkin LLC.

Over the years, Heather has volunteered extensively with a wide variety of organizations, including the Twin Cities Men's Center; the Minnesota State Bar Association Mock Trial Program; the Volunteer Lawyers Network; the Hennepin County District Court Self-Help Center; the Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women; and Jewish Children and Family Services.



Most recently, Heather was selected to serve as a court-appointed attorney with Hennepin County District Court on Guardianship and Conservatorship matters. Heather is proficient in Russian. In her free time, she enjoys spending time with family, hiking outdoors in nature, and going to her family cabin in Wisconsin.

When asked about her primary objectives for her service on the board of directors, Heather cites

a desire to continue in the tradition of excellence that Jonathan has exhibited, as a homeowner's association. She wants the work that the board does to help homeowners understand the true value that belonging to Jonathan brings to their daily lives. She strives to build upon the work of prior board members, to ensure that, at the end of her term, The Jonathan Association is in an even better place than it was when she started.

EAST LAKE GRACE TRAIL

The Lake Grace recreational area is comprised of land owned by The Jonathan Association and the City of Chaska.

The completion of the new Lake Grace Pavilion, in 2020, was just the first step in a comprehensive revitalization project. The association will continue addressing shoreline restoration, recreational amenities, and brand elements in the area surrounding the pavilion.

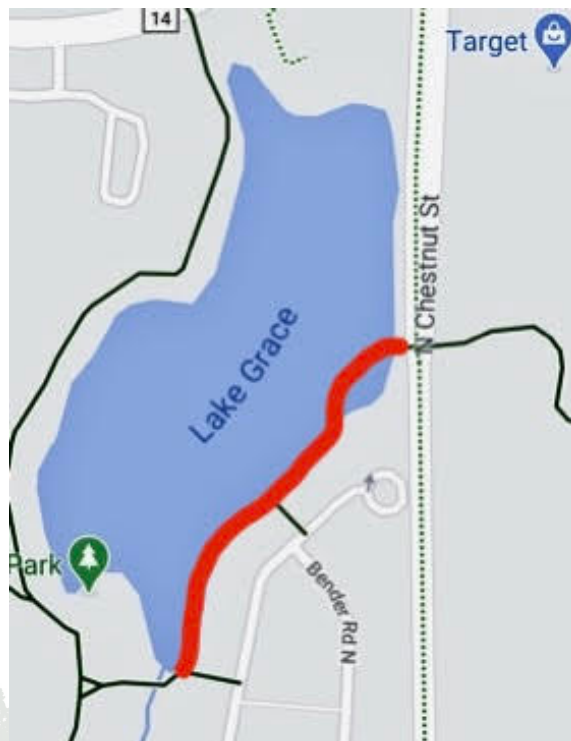
The City of Chaska has worked closely with the association, specifically members of Neighborhood 4, to encourage input into the renovation of the East Lake Grace Trail. The city approved the project, last fall, which will connect the new underpass trail, near Target, to Lake Grace. This includes a new pedestrian bridge over the east bay area and complete replacement of the existing trail. Director of public works, Brian Jung, reports that this is part of the city's 2030 trail plan. Jung said, "The bridge contract has been awarded to Pember Construction. They plan to start the footings in the next few weeks and possibly be setting the bridge in early May.

Then, our crews will step in and repave the trail and restore any items that need work. We are currently working with the East Lake Drive Sub Association on a formal agreement to utilize their property during construction."

The board recognized a consistent message from members, throughout the pavilion rebuild: Take an active role in improving the water quality of the lake. As a first step, the board has requested formal engagement with Carver County Planning & Water Management. Department Manager, Paul Moline, shared that "Lake Grace and the chain of Chaska lakes are definitely on

our radar and significant work has been done and is being planned for the chain. Our staff will respond, soon, to more fully provide information and potential steps to move forward." With greater transparency on the issues impacting the water quality, the association will effectively advocate on behalf of our community, in 2021.

The building & grounds committee is always looking for new members to champion these projects. Reach out to the on-site management team to learn about how you can get involved.



The red line depicts the East Lake Grace Trail route.

2021 PROJECTS

The board of directors has decided to address a long-standing issue in The Jonathan Association in 2021.

The Eitel House, located in Neighborhood 8, has been part of the association since its inception. A committee has been created to determine what the future will hold for the historical property.

Input from members is encouraged and all are welcome to an open forum to be planned in the near future. Members who are interested in attending the open forum or would like to submit questions about the property may contact Kevin Fafinski at kfafinski@jonathaninchaska.com.



The exterior of the Eitel House.

MONUMENT SIGNS

Upgrades to the neighborhood signs began in 2020. Monument sign upgrades will continue in 2021. In addition to new signs, landscape improvements will complement each monument.

MAIL STATIONS

The replacement of mail stations will continue. The Jonathan Association is working with the USPS to bring the remaining projects to completion, in 2021.

TOT LOTS

Two tot lots will be replaced in 2021. Autumn Woods and Tuscany Hills will each have one replaced. All other tot lots have been assessed for replacement parts and will be freshened up, as needed. The Jonathan Association works with Midwest Playscapes to assess all tot lots, annually, and then, replacements are scheduled.

If you have any questions or concerns about any of the improvements taking place, please feel free to contact The Karen House at (952) 448-4700.



COMMUNITY GARDENS

Improve your access to healthy, nutritious food while promoting a sense of community.

The 2021 community gardens are located at The Karen House, beside the maintenance garage. The cost is minimal and the benefits are great.

Gardens provide numerous health benefits, including physical, mental, and social well-being.

Please contact The Karen House for more information on cost and availability.





Published by The Jonathan Association
111000 Bavaria Road
Chaska, MN 55318
952-448-4700
www.jonathaninchaska.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

Festival of Garage Sales

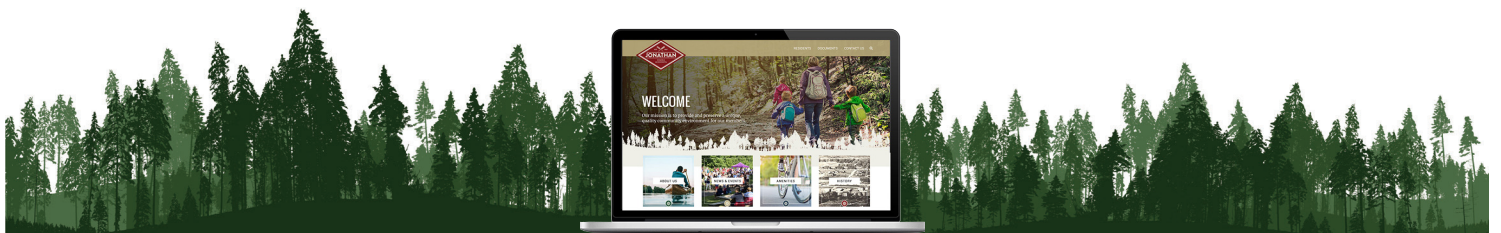
The Jonathan Association is organizing a community-wide garage sale for all Jonathan residents. It is free to participate. This event is a useful way to recycle your household items as well as a chance to get to know your neighbors.

www.jonathaninchaska.com/garage-sales

SATURDAY, MAY 2

Spring Clean-Up Day

The Jonathan Association will have crews making a **one-time pass through each neighborhood**, picking up yard waste. All waste must be in biodegradable bags. All brush must be smaller than 3" in diameter and 4' in length. To ensure your yard waste is collected, have your bags sitting curbside by 8:00 am.



Stay informed with email notifications from The Jonathan Association. Sign up for upcoming event notifications at www.jonathaninchaska.com/email-sign-up. You can also follow the association on Facebook at www.facebook.com/jonathaninchaska.