

# Volume XI

## Number #one hundred fourteen

July/August 1993



### Shakopee Jaycees

On July 6th the Shakopee Gambling Manager spoke with the council to request a license to sell pull-tabs at two bars in Carver. Question was asked whether or not pull-tab sales would come back to Carver or go to Shakopee. Seventy percent of sale profits would come back to Carver. Carver gambling manager stated that one hundred percent profit from sales go back into the city. Councilmember asked for reason for request. Two bar owners stated that it was their opinion that they are not being adequately compensated for selling pull-tabs. Limits are set on payment to bar owners based on sales. Half the money pays for expenses and the balance is for donations. Manager stated that the Jaycees would start the bars at the higher rent but adjustments may be necessary if sales are not good. When pull-tabs began in Carver, it was for the city, thereby, no one received payment until approximately two years ago. Note was made that the state formula is the basis for payment to bars and is based on sales.

Lions President read the Lions Creed and Code of Ethics, stating that putting profit ahead of Lionism was not what being a Lion is about. Business owner agreed with Lions President and is also a Chaska Lion, as well as a Carver Lion. Another business owner commented that he was looking at it from a business standpoint. Councilmember inquired about how much money would come back to Carver. Manager responded that organization would work with businesses and people for what they'd like to see the money used for. The Shakopee Jaycees do not have any Carver members. Councilmember commented that the city had to look at this issue not only from a business standpoint, but also what is best for the city. Another councilmember stated that the Lions were more than a source of income for the city, they are a part of the community. Motion was made and denied by roll call vote to grant Shakopee Jaycees a license to sell pull-tabs in Carver.

### Minor Subdivision Municipal Utilities

Council was brought up to date concerning the Public Hearing on a minor subdivision variance request. Question was asked about dividing twenty acres for a five acre parcel and rezoning. If parcel was more than two and half acres it could remain agricultural.

The closing of County Road # 147 was discussed. Frey stated that maintenance of County Road could be expensive because of erosion. Councilmember expressed concern regarding careful driveway construction so there are not washouts.

Motion was made and carried by roll call vote to adopt resolution allowing property owners a variance to the subdivision ordinance.

#### Variance Request

Citizen requested a nine foot variance to the maximum height requirement of an accessory building. Two citizens voiced concern at the Public Hearing held by the Planning Commission concerning view obstruction. One citizen voiced his opinion that the council should adhere to the Zoning Ordinance and not grant variances. Owner showed plans, the site of his house and the proposed site of the shed. The county gave permission for a driveway off of County Road # 40. The shed will be a pole building. Motion was made and carried to approve the nine foot variance request.

### Rehabilitation Loan Funds Request

Business owners requested Rehabilitation Loan Funds for building repairs. There will not be any changes made to the building exterior except the stucco, paint, replace windows, stairway and roof. Motion was made and carried approving request for Rehabilitation Loan Funds on the condition that the Heritage Preservation Commission approves work.

City Engineer discussed costs concerning the water filtration plant and getting it operational. Costs were based on contracted labor, not volunteer. Council was also informed that the backwash from the filter can not be put into the sewer system because it could not handle it. Therefore, an outside storage tank would be necessary and some water can be recycled back into the filter. Utilities operator stated that costs could be reduced with volunteer labor. Engineer stated that costs would be in the form of "not to exceed" amount. The mayor was of the opinion that the city and Lions had put too much time and money into the structure to back down now. Operator stated that more work had to be done on the equipment and more research done before bottom line costs could be concrete. He also had access to a backwash tank.

Operator stated that he'd like to request the Minnesota Department of Health to allow putting in some piping so that the cement floor could be poured. He also requested that some equipment be dismantled, cleaned up and have the engineer look at it again to give firm cost specifications. Engineer concurred that it would be easier to evaluate equipment after it is dismantled. Councilmember would attempt to get an ultrasonic tester for walls. Engineer stated that there is a lot of work remaining on project.

Operator would like to submit blueprints on water filtration plant to the Department of Health and see if these were acceptable. Council consensus was to proceed with plant building and equipment with volunteer help.

Operator reported that heavy rains on Thursday had taxed the sewer system, but everything worked all right. Operator explained that the biggest problem for the sewer system had been due to basement floor drains.

It was reported that Spring Creek has filled with sand higher than the arch of the Third Street bridge from flood waters backing up into the creek. If the creek bed is not dredged, there is a danger it could flood if another heavy rainfall occurs. Situation will be worked on.

## Public Works Report

Frey reported that he'd been given permission to return to work. (Welcome back Ken!) He reported that the part-time help had kept up on alot of the work and that volunteers had been helping. If he needs help, he will call for it.

## Flood Control Update

The mayor informed the council that the river was rising again, but it was expected to crest on Sunday, July 11th. The Federal Government Agency (FEMA) is coming to Carver County to assess damages. The Corps of Engineers is expected to check work done on Spring Creek. It was also noted that work needs to be done on the dike on Main Street.

## Computer Upgrade

City Clerk informed the council that the hard drive in the city's computer is starting to deteriorate and advised them of costs to upgrade the system, including a new printer. Councilmember stated he could possibly obtain a hard drive at a more reasonable price. Motion was made and carried for Councilmember Terry to upgrade the city's computer and not to exceed \$ 700.

## Fire Rate Meeting

Administrator reported that a meeting had been held and the consensus of the group was that a committee should be formed who would be involved in the budget process and purchase of major equipment. It was also discussed that committee name should be changed from Fire Rate Meeting to Emergency Services since most of the expenses are medical and emergency help not fire calls. Future meeting date has not been scheduled.

## Bloodmobile

The Chaska area Bloodmobile wishes to thank the following for their part in producing the Red Cross Bloodmobile on June 15th. Thank you first of all. Thank you to donors for life giving blood, the Community Center, the media and churches, the volunteers, McDonalds, Chaska Moravian women, Country Bakery, Shepherd of the Hill, VFW and the American Legion Post. Thank you to all that was contributed on behalf of the Chaska Area Red Cross Bloodmobile: Sue Cross.

## Yellowstone Raccoons

The 4-Hers are preparing for the Carver County Fair which will start Wednesday August 11th and run through the Sunday, August 15th.

## Miscellaneous

Administrator reported that he'd met with the Metropolitan Council representatives and has been told that the progress on the Comprehensive Plan looks good. However, the work is behind.

Administrator reported that the Impact Statement/Highway # 212 is available at City Hall for review.

Request was made that Administrator keep his eyes open for park grants.

Council reviewed ordinances.

The mayor reported that two letters have been received from two developers who are interested in building in Carver. However these developers are of the opinion that these fees are excessive. They stated that these fees are higher than surrounding communities. The mayor will check with surrounding cities to get comparison hook-up charges.

Councilmember asked about a burning site for Carver residents. Suggestion was made to have proposed burning site to be used once per year. An alternative would be to get the county's chipper and set aside a day for such an event. The county has agreed to the use of the chipper.

Report was given that the front end loader which had been left in the City for the City's use has been damaged by rocks thrown through windows. Question was asked if the city's insurance would pay to repair damages. Administrator was directed to check into the matter.



## Tentative Agenda

Submitted by the City of Carver

Monday evening 6:30 PM  
August 2nd, 1993

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Approve the Agenda
- 3) Petitions from Residents
- 4) Consent Agenda
- 5) Excess Liability Coverage
- 6) Resolution-Variance Request
- 7) Public Works Report
- 8) Park and Recreation Board Referrals
  - a) City Flag
  - b) Request-Rail Road's Analysis of Bridge Condition
  - c) Community Park/Top Priority of City
- 9) Carver Creek WaterShed Management Organization
  - a) Adopt Joint Powers Agreement
  - b) Appoint Commissioner
- 10) Adopt Resolution-Variance Request
- 11) SteamBoat Days Parade
- 12) Computer Update
- 13) Administrator Report
- 14) Ordinance Review
- 15) Other Business
- 16) Adjourn

## Thank you

We, the Carver County Board of Commissioners, would like to thank all the volunteers, City of Carver officials and employees, City of Chaska officials and employees, and Carver County Employees who assisted in Flood Control in our county during the past several weeks. Their dedication and service in protecting lives and personal property, as well as public properties, did not go unnoticed.

This has been a very trying and difficult time for some Carver County Residents and it's heartening to know that in a time of crisis, we can all pull together as neighbors.

Again, our sincere appreciation to all who helped and were involved.

Carver County Commissioners

Earl Gnan  
Ursula Dimler  
James Hoese  
John Siefried  
Tracy Swanson

## Thank you

The Carver City Council, Staff and Fire Department extend their gratitude and appreciation to everyone who gave so freely of their time and equipment in the City's time of need.

During this time of urgency, there existed a feeling of selflessness as everyone worked as one against a common enemy, toward a common goal and won.

The Citizens of Carver would like to show their gratitude and appreciation to all the volunteers who helped save our community from the Flood of '93.

We would like to invite all the kind people back to Carver on July 31st, 1993 between 1:00 - 6:00 PM for lunch and refreshments at the Carver City Hall.

We are forever grateful,

Tom Griep  
Mayor

## Flood Appreciation Party

There will be a Flood Volunteer Appreciation Party held at the Village Hall on Saturday, July 31st, 1993 from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM.

# Help!

CHILDREN'S MAKE A WISH FOUNDATION asks for your assistance.

A letter has been received in the City of Carver requesting that business cards be sent to CRAIG SHERGOLD at the address shown below.

Seven year old Craig has a brain tumor and has little time to live. Craig has turned in a wish to the children's MAKE A WISH FOUNDATION and has expressed his desire to have an entry in the GUINNESS BOOK OF WORLD RECORDS for the largest collection of business cards received by an individual.

Please take time to immediately send your business card to CRAIG. Let's assist CRAIG in making his wish come true! This is worth a few minutes of your time.

Thank you for your help.

The address is:

CRAIG SHERGOLD  
c/o CHILDREN'S MAKE A WISH FOUNDATION  
Atlanta, Georgia 30346

Please, if possible, do it first thing. Time is very important!



## Carver Lions

The Carver Lions are preparing Steam-Boat Days.

The Lions had Installation of Officers at their July meeting.

The new officers are as follows:

President - Paul Kerber  
First Vice President - Bruce Bernu  
Second Vice President - Kay Meyers  
Third Vice President - Ken Frey  
Secretary - Gratian Welter  
Treasurer - Doug Meyers  
Lion Tamer - Ken Frey  
Tail Twister - Harlen Thaemert

There are three new Board members. The three new Board of Directors are Bernie Lano, Cheryl Peterson and Tom Griep.

## Carver-on-the-Minnesota



Carver-On-The-Minnesota members are preparing for SteamBoat Days. The group is in charge of prospective crafters. Crafters are encouraged to contact Barb Swanson at 448-4580 to make inquiries and/or booth fees. The group will also have a Caramel Apple Booth on Broadway. The booth will be open for business on Saturday from 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM and on Sunday from Noon until 4:00 PM.

## Carver



## Fire Department Highlights

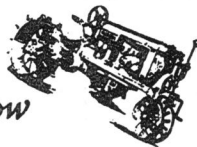
July 28th - Happy Birthday Aunt Diane!  
July 31st - Volunteer Flood Appreciation Party 1:00 PM-6:00 PM  
Village Hall  
August 2nd - Council Meeting/6:30 PM  
August 4th - Lions Meeting  
August 5th - Drill Night/6:30 PM  
Happy Birthday Bryan!  
August 7th - Happy Birthday Tom!  
August 9th - Park and Recreation Board Meeting  
August 11th  
15th - Carver County Fair  
August 13th  
15th - Scott-Carver Thresher's Show  
August 14th - Happy Birthday Russel!  
August 16th - Drill Night/6:30 PM  
August 19th - Heritage Preservation Commission Meeting  
Carver-On-The-Minnesota Meeting  
August 20th - Meeting Night/8:00 PM  
August 22nd - Happy Anniversary Vickie and Mark  
August 24th - Planning Commission Meeting  
August 26th - State Fair Begins  
(August 26 thru Sept 6th)  
August 27th - Happy Birthday Uncle Jerry  
September 10th  
11th  
12th - STEAMBOAT DAYS

July

August

September

## Scott-Carver Thresher's Show



Old fashioned country fun for the entire family happens Friday, Saturday and Sunday (August 13th, 14th & 15th) when the Scott-Carver Threshers steam, chug and plow through their 30th Steam and Gas Engine Festival near Jordan. Gates open daily at 8:00 AM and close at sundown.

Highlighting this year's festival is the Minnesota State Horse Plowing Contest featuring 60-80 draft horses competing for cash prizes on Saturday and Sunday. Every day includes the 1:00 PM parade of gigantic steam engines, antique cars, trucks and tractors and antique farm equipment and construction equipment.

Other festival highlights include grain threshing, horseshoe competition, a country-western dancing demonstration, a fiddling contest, square dancing, the Thunder Road Band, quilting, lacemaking, Sammy's Concertina Band, a craft market, a flea market, plus much more.

The horse plowing contest begins Saturday morning at 11:00 AM with the walking-plow contestants. Sulky-plow competition begins at 2:15 PM. Sunday brings out the big teams in the two-bottom plowing at 11:00 AM and the three-bottom plowing at 2:15 PM.

Burning wood and water to build steam pressure, the massive steam engines are belted daily to the grain separators to thresh stacks of wheat. Other giants are belted to the sawmill to turn huge logs into dimensional lumber.

Square dancing by the Richfield Squares in the outdoor picnic shelter begins at 11:00 AM, Saturday, followed by the daily parade at 1:00 PM, then a country-western dance demonstration from two to four, and then the twelfth annual fiddling contest at 4:00 PM. Competing for cash prizes are children as young as eight and old timers in their eighties, each playing a fast tune and a waltz.

Admission is the purchase of a souvenir button for \$ 4.; children under 12 are free. Signs on US Highway # 169 direct traffic to the grounds. Anyone who exhibits equipment receives free admission. Parking is free.

The Scott-Carver Threshers is a non-profit organization, and the volunteers are not paid for their services. Anyone wishing to help work on the grounds or the equipment is welcome to become a member. All proceeds go to the expense of the festival, new buildings and equipment, and new attractions. These volunteers are working to preserve our agricultural and industrial past for the present and future generations.

## Disclaimer

The preliminary unapproved minutes from the City of Carver's council meetings were referenced to compose the Villager Tower.

Sponsors

Dale's Excavation



MIKE ORVICK  
REALTOR®

ERA® CHESTNUT REALTY  
413 Chestnut Street  
Chaska, MN 55318  
Office: 612-448-3344  
Home: 612-448-7843

ERA® REAL ESTATE  
Each office independently owned and operated



Carver Lions

Meet 1st and 3rd Wednesday  
of each month



LENZEN BUS COMPANY  
CHARTER BUS SERVICE

Diedrick Lenzen  
448-5456

P.O. Box 141 • 305 Walnut St. • Carver, MN 55315

Scott Carver Threshers is a non-profit organization. Neither owners nor operators are paid for their services.  
All proceeds go into new buildings, equipment and attractions for the betterment of the club and the viewing pleasure of the public.  
Join us as a spectator. If you're looking for a fun-filled hobby, join as a member. Information: 492-2062 or 472-2987

Scott-Carver Threshers 30th

# Steam & Gas Engine FESTIVAL

The most complete family show in the Twin Cities area!

## Daily Attractions

- \*Gigantic 1 p.m. parade
- \*Craft market
- \*Flea market
- \*Threshing with steam engines
- \*Operating sawmill
- \*Operating lath & shingle mills
- \*Gas-engine alley
- \*Stationary steam engines
- \*Threshermen's breakfast 8 a.m.
- \*Broom maker
- \*Operating printing press
- \*Barn and her rug loom
- \*Leather craftsman

(Rain doesn't cause us to cancel. We're in the sun!)

Fiddling  
Contest  
Saturday  
4 p.m.



## Special Attractions

- \*Horseshoe competition
- \*Barnyard zoo
- \*1850 log house
- \*Quilt stitching by Chaska Quilters
- \*1888 one-room school
- \*Bohemian or "Klopple" lacemaking
- \*Operating blacksmith shop
- \*1944 John Deere tractor raffle
- \*Antique autos and trucks
- \*Worthington steam vacuum pump
- \*Stationary-steam room
- \*Vitter cpd. engine: 18" flywheel



Bark demonstrates rugmaking.

## Threshing with Steam Engines

KOA campground and state-park camping nearby

Gates open at 8 a.m.

Jordan, Minnesota

Friday, Saturday, Sunday

August 13, 14, 15, 1993

Admission:  
Souvenir Button: \$4.00

Good for all three days  
(under 12 free)

## Friday's Special Events

- \*All attractions begin operation
- \*Craft and Flea market sets up
- \*Daily Parade at 1 p.m.
- \*Country music  
(before and after the parade)

## Saturday's Special Events

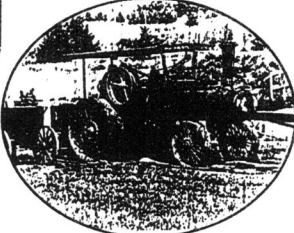
- \*Richfield Square Dancers  
11 to 1
- \*Walking-plow competition 11
- \*Country-western dance  
demonstration at 2
- \*Sulky-plow competition 2:15
- \*Fiddling contest 4 p.m.
- \*Pork or turkey dinner 6 p.m.
- \*Sammy's Concertina Band  
6-9 p.m.

## Sunday's Special Events

- \*Turning Point Gospel Band  
8 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
- \*Richfield Square Dancers  
10 to 12
- \*2-bottom-plow competition 11
- \*Thunder Road Band 12 - 4
- \*Antique autos lead the  
1 p.m. parade
- \*3-bottom-plow competition 2:15
- \*Drawing for raffle tractor  
at 4 p.m.



Minnesota State Horse Plowing  
Contest Saturday and Sunday  
emceed by Luvern Springer



"The Square Dancers"

Showgrounds 20 miles SW of Mpls. off  
Highway #169

Watch for signs west of Jordan.  
Free parking!

- Light Grading
- Hauling
- Sand & Gravel
- Eve. & Weekend  
Available

Dwight Schultz  
CARVER, MN 55315  
(612) 448-3728



- Stump Removal
- Flail Mowing
- Fire Wood
- Clearing

Greg Thaumert  
P.O. Box 291  
Shakopee, MN 55379



## THAEMERT Septic Pumping

Reliable Service for over 30 years

Licensed & Insured  
State Certified  
Minnesota Pollution  
Control Agency

496-2567 or 448-4733

PHONE 448-7833

R & W ROLL-OFF SERVICE, INC.  
CONSTRUCTION & COMPACTOR CONTAINERS  
20-40 CU. YDS.

RUSS LEISTIKO  
President

5525 CO. RD. 50  
CARVER, MINNESOTA 55315