Garage Gallery Opens
by Steve Rouch

St. Anthony Park is well known as a unique community, filled with energetic and interesting people. The promotion of local talent is becoming a trademark of the Park in consignment shops and at art fairs and the like. A new outlet for artists, the "Garage Gallery," may contribute to this evolving tradition.

The "Garage Gallery," located at 2412 Valentine in the Park, opened its first show of 18 artists on Dec. 12. A broad cross-section of the arts were exhibited, including drawing, painting, sculpture, jewelry, weavings, pottery, photography and prints.

The gallery was the brain child of Dennis Grebner of Grebner/Schoen Inc. Grebner, a local architect, took advantage of the vacated space on the lower floor of his studio on Valentine Ave. to open the gallery. His initial idea had been to use the wall space in the lobby to promote local artists and provide a pleasing atmosphere for his office. Then he began talking with associates Dick Bronlee and Janet Thery about converting the entire first floor into a gallery. One thing led to another and soon they had a full-fledged opening on their hands.

For a first opening, the Garage Gallery had all the makings of a well-established crossroads of the arts. The spacious, white-walled rooms were tastefully filled with a well mixed variety of works. Wines, cheeses and hors d'oeuvres were served smorgasbord style while the gallery's guests had a chance to mingle with the artists. Folk musicians serenaded the guests.

Asked about the relationship between art and architecture, Dennis Grebner responded: "I've always believed that art is to form as architecture is to function. When it comes down to it, architecture has always been functional art. I guess my affinity for art led me to my profession as an architect today. I find architecture has sharpened my taste for art, and I feel privileged to be able to promote an area I feel I owe a great deal to."

Although Dennis Grebner and his associates do not plan to go into the gallery business and are in fact anxious to rent out the gallery space to any interested local artist promoting local artists. Another opening is tentatively scheduled for the beginning of February. The public is invited to attend.

Winter Concerts at U of M

Winter need not bring your activity to a standstill. There's some great entertainment available right next door.

For the first time the chamber music sound of the Minnesota Orchestra will be brought within the confines of all area residents. The University of Minnesota has planned an exciting series of five candlelight concerts which will be held in the North Star Ballroom of the St. Paul Student Center. Programs for the subscription series include works by such great classical composers as Bach, Beethoven, Strauss, and many others.

The series begins on Jan. 27, with a candlelight dinner concert featuring the Viennese Violins in a festival of musical bagatellantry. On Feb. 3, the Minnesota Orchestra String Quartet brings to the Center an evening of 18th Century music, performing selections by Haydn, Mozart, and Beethoven. If your taste runs to the Renaissance, Tuesday, Feb. 10, features a premier performance by Concentus Musicus.

Library Starts Homebound Service

The St. Paul Public Library (which includes the St. Anthony Park Branch Library) is initiating a Homebound Service. Anyone who is homebound, whether because of disability, convalescence or advanced age, may apply for Homebound Service by calling the Homebound coordinator at 644-5828, or writing the same at 1080 University Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota 55104, giving name, address, zip, telephone number and reading requirements and preferences. A Homebound volunteer will deliver reading materials every three weeks.

In conjunction with this project, volunteers are needed to deliver and pickup library materials for persons who are unable to get to a library. A volunteer would visit a Homebound reader every three weeks. Each volunteer can decide how many shut-ins he or she can handle. Volunteers can also choose to deliver from any of the ten branch libraries or the main library. For further information, please call the Homebound coordinator at 644-5828.

If you ventured into the library Saturday, January 10, and thought you saw a "puddy tat," you did. Tom Lease of Cougars Unlimited, an educational animal reserve, near Lake Elmo, brought two felines to the local branch library. Sheba (1½ years old) and Nodja (5 months) remained calm while children reached out to touch them. The event was sponsored by the St. Anthony Park State Bank. Tentative plans call for another cat show at the library in March. At that time Lease indicated he planned to bring a young Siberian tiger.

The next Bugle will be published February 18. The deadline for copy and advertising will be February 9. If you have information you want publicized, please call 646-6707 or mail items to 2250 Como.

The next planning committee for the next issue of the Bugle will be Monday, January 26, at 4:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the St. Anthony Park Drive-In/Walk Up Center (Como & Doswell). You are invited to attend.

The Bugle expands its staff this month by adding two people to its masthead. Kathy Diedrich assumes duties as feature editor and Mary Walker Sjowall becomes the staff photographer.

Kathy would like leads on human interest and/or other stories involving Park residents and community interests. Call her at 646-6707 or 646-2493.

Mary has agreed to try to juggle her schedule in order to provide photographic coverage for Park events. Give her a little notice, and she'll try to be there. Call 645-9490. If you have story leads, or wish to submit material for publication in the Bugle, call 646-6707, or drop by Artisans' World, 2274 Como Ave.
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Flying High

Trudy Ophaug works out on the uneven parallel bars while coach Kerry Scott and fellow gymnasts Linda Arny and Betsy Warnken watch. Photo by Mary Walker Sjowall.

by Mary Warpeha
Cartwheels, Somersaults, Round offs, Hand springs.

These are among the accomplishments of the 75 girls who belong to the newly organized St. Anthony Park Gymnastics Club. The Club is a non-profit organization providing an opportunity for girls to receive qualified coaching in gymnastics within their own neighborhood. The Club attempts to develop sportsmanship and skill as well as promote self confidence and discipline. Each girl is encouraged to develop at her own pace, learning a series of progressively more difficult gymnastic skills.

On November 25, 1975 the Gymnastics Club met for its first annual meeting in the gymnasium of the elementary school. Approval was given to the by-laws and the first Board of Directors was elected. The new directors are Judy Ophaug, President; Kathy Hernandez, Vice President; Connie Hagen, Secretary; Marilyn Arny, Treasurer; Joanne Laird, Kathy Gauget and Mary Warpeha.

As recently as May, 1975 a small group of concerned mothers met to discuss the need for a top-notch athletic opportunity for their girls. The many hours of questioning, looking for facilities and searching for a coaching staff led to the first gym classes held this past summer.

Club coaches, Kerry and Barb Scott, have extensive training and competition experience in gymnastics. In addition, both women are veterans at teaching gymnastics to young girls. They act as instructors, spotters and judges.

Monday, January 12, marked the beginning of winter term, and applications are still being accepted. Tuition costs $60 for 20 weeks of classes. Membership entitles a girl to two lessons each week in addition to practice sessions. The basics taught include tumbling, routines for competition, and use of the vaulting horse, uneven parallel bars and beams. Girls advance within their age category through improvement determined by periodic testing administered by the coaches.

Hand springs, cartwheels and round offs are exciting feats which have livened the neighborhood sports scene, but the real thrill comes for each girl as she gives that extra burst of energy to master a skill. At a recent evening demonstration, parents received a real treat as they watched disciplined bodies perform strenuous exercises and difficult routines.

Internat’l. Institute Offers Programs

The International Institute of Minnesota, 1694 Como Avenue, announces the new menus for its Wednesday foreign food luncheons served each week between 11:30-1:00 p.m.

The authentic foreign menus for the coming weeks are: January 7-Hungarian, January 14-German, January 21-Italian, January 28-Ukrainian, February 4-Mediterranean, February 11-American, February 18-South American, February 25-French.

Advance reservations are necessary since space is limited. For reservations, call the Institute at 647-0191. Reservations for the luncheons must be made by the Tuesday preceding the luncheon. Cost per person is $2.75. Dessert is a la carte. The public is invited. Parking is free.

And lunches are not all the Institute offers as winter fare. Once again the International Institute is offering beginning folk dance. The class will be held at the Institute at 1694 Como Avenue, St. Paul (across from the State Fair Grounds). A variety of ethnic folk dances will be taught by an experienced folk dance teacher. Classes will be held on Monday evenings from 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. starting Feb. 9, through March 23.

The public is invited to sign up for the dance classes. The cost of the course is $10.00 per person or $15.00 per couple. Institute membership is required. Registration must be received by Jan. 26. In addition, intermediate classes in folk dance will be offered.

For registration materials and information call the Institute at 647-0191.

Study Groups Form

Parent study groups are now forming to discuss the book Children: The Challenge by Dr. Rudolf Dreikurs, the Alfred Adler Institute has announced.

The groups will meet once a week for seven weeks beginning the end of January.

The fee is $7.00 per family unit. For more information or to register in your area please call Wendy Stebbins at 426-5928.
Marie Closes Her Books

by Jo Nelson

From bank messenger to vice president—a working career of 49 years, 32½ of them in St. Anthony Park—that’s one way to summarize the career of A. Marie Schwebach, who closed her books at the St. Anthony Park State Bank December 31. But “more than three decades of helping others” is the way many clients and customers describe her years of service.

Marie’s philosophy of service won her many friends and loyal clients. That was evidenced recently by their presence and their tribute at a retirement tea at the St. Anthony Park Bank and at a neighborhood coffee given by two Park residents.

Marie’s story as a banker began a week before she was 16 years old. Born in Menomonee, Wisconsin, Marie lost her mother when she was only 10. A bright child, she completed grade school in seven years, high school in three. When she was 15, her father moved the family to St. Paul. But since he was unable to get employment—those were depression days—Marie also tried to find work. A week before she was 16, she was hired as a bank messenger in the First Bank in Dayton’s Bluff. On $60 a month she helped pay room and board for herself, her sister and her father.

As a bank messenger, Marie often carried as much as $50,000 in cash from the First National Bank of St. Paul to the Dayton’s Bluff State Bank, always by street car. However, after desperadoes held up a bank in Minneapolis, Marie’s superiors decided it was time for her to have a police escort.

From bank messenger she went to a position in the insurance department. From the Dayton’s Bluff bank she went to the Farm Credit Administration in the Federal Land Bank in St. Paul, where she worked 10 years in loan closing and collections.

Determined to make a success in her career, Marie made use of every free hour to study and to attend evening classes. She took every course offered by the National Insurance agents’ Association as well as four years of work for her certificate from the American Institute of Banking. Still determined to ground herself in knowledge, she felt a banker should have, she took two years of law in evening classes at the University of Minnesota.

“If I had the opportunities young people have today,” Marie interrupted her story to comment, “I would have been a corporate attorney. I became a banker by necessity of having to support myself. But I’m not sorry.”

It was in June, 1943 that Marie was asked by Andrew Boss, then president of the St. Anthony Park State Bank, to manage the bank’s insurance department. Shortly afterward, Marie took and passed the tests and was licensed to write every type of insurance—an unusual accomplishment. In fact, only one other woman in Minnesota at that time was licensed to write every type of insurance.

But with only six employees in the bank, Marie’s work couldn’t be limited to insurance. “When John Hunt went into the service,” Marie reminisced, “Mr. Greaves took two days to teach me to be a teller. . . . There are no ‘typical’ days at the bank,” she went on. “One day in 1971, I happened to glance out the window and saw a man with a ski mask jumping out of a car. At the same instant two other masked men rushed into the bank screaming ‘Freeze!’ Well, no one was hurt, but the robbers did get away with a small sum. I’m glad I didn’t have to worry about bank robberies after I retired!”

In addition to managing the insurance agency over the years, Marie supervised employees and employee training, kept the books of the corporation, was responsible for the real estate lending department and for several years managed the bookkeeping department at the safety deposit vaults. And she always remained sensitive to customer relations.

When queried about her plans for retirement, Marie would only say that already she has received several job offers. As for travel, one of her ambitions is to see the rest of the United States (she has traveled in 44 states) and perhaps to cross the Atlantic in a Illuminated by train. In addition, “I’d like to do something for people,” said Marie. . . . “Personally, I’ve had great enjoyment in helping others.”

And it has been that philosophy, practiced over the years, along with her interest in each individual, that has won Marie the scores of loyal clients and friends who will miss her knowledgeable, helpful service. Along with the Bugle staff, they wish her many years of well-earned, happy retirement.
Is University Too Big for Park?

by Hort Hal

In Steinbeck's novel Of Mice and Men, the lovable Lenny squeezed his best friend (the mouse) to death. Is not our big, lovable University slowly squeezing St. Anthony Park to death? We love "The U"; she is a source of pride, offering us a place to work; to educate, to be educated; to stimulate, to be stimulated.

But "our" University, as with many other "big time" universities, is really not a very good neighbor. Campus blight, historically, occurs as business pressures (opportunities), and student pressures (population) build up. As students arrive, cars arrive. The total problem reflects poor planning and/or poor implementation of any plans. Consistently, the St. Anthony Park Association has tried to do all it can do to face the issue of student and indeed staff parking in front of homes from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day. But, alas, we have proved meek, mere mice without much muscle or might.

The writer of this column had to stop dreaming of columbies and get out his club; he had to lay aside his 1976 vegetable and flower books and become a horticultural urban campus (common sense) planner. The plan given here is not perfect, and perhaps many St. Anthony Park people will not agree with it, but let's start thinking and get busy and try to get a solution to this problem.

THE PLAN
1. Close the main entry onto the St. Paul Campus at Buford off Cleveland.
A. The intercampus bus would enter and exit at Gortner off of Larpenteur. This alternate exit and entry way would be established until a new entry and exit road were constructed still further to the east, as proposed by big brother's "master plan."
B. Place an appropriate red-green light and directional lights at Larpenteur and Gortner.
C. Shelters would be constructed at new bus stops developed at:
1) Gortner and Folwell
2) In front of the Biochemistry building
3) Gortner and Buford
4) Gortner and Fitch
5) Gortner and Commonwealth

D. The new bus route would be north/south on Gortner; east/west on Commonwealth; north/south on Eckles east at the flagpole on Buford to Gortner and return to Minneapolis with appropriate stops.

E. Construct a walk south from Larpenteur on Gortner and Folwell. The citizens in this northern area have requested this. What happened to their petition?
F. New sidewalks and building approaches need to be designed on the St. Paul Campus. With new buildings, human traffic patterns have changed and old walks are no longer appropriate. Designing more walks from Gortner to the west through campus would be desirable.

II. Close off all streets on the west of Cleveland into St. Anthony Park. This would force entry into the area at Hoyt, Raymond and Como.
A. Improve bus service to the fairgrounds.
B. Construct direct sidewalk (with a wind protection wall to the north) from the isolated fairgrounds to the campus.
C. Construct a more direct road to the nearly inaccessible fairground parking area by extending Fitch Avenue to the east.

I feel it is time we express our feelings! I feel we all should write the University Board of Regents and state our feelings:
1. After 10 years, there appears to be no immediate plan which comes to grips with the grips of the St. Anthony Park
2. Request a definite plan and timetable of events. These events (actions) should have specific target dates. The plan should be presented by July 4, 1976.
3. Ask if we can aid them and the administration in securing funds.
4. All we have heard are "grand plans," seen fewer parking spaces, observed higher prices for campus parking, and witnessed deteriorating conditions.
5. Request (demand) a moratorium on all future building construction until adequate parking spaces are included per each new building plan, i.e., no new increases unless new parking is included.
6. State that our community is not a parking lot for the St. Paul Campus. Would they want the homes surrounded by cars from 8 to 5, 5 days a week?
7. The plans for the St. Paul Campus should be governed by a committee on the St. Paul Campus and not the Minneapolis Campus. Further, such a planning committee should include members from the community.
8. We should consider legal action against the Board of Regents and the University of Minnesota via the Civil Liberties Union unless a plan is presented with dates of action by July 4, 1976.

P.S. This is the 200th year of our freedom in this country. We need to return to the spirit of 1776. The University was created to be used by the people, not to use them.

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The St. Anthony Park Association at the 1976 Historical Calendar—not at all original in concept. In fact in Chicago's Art Institute the other day, I saw calendars with prints of famous American artists lining the gift shop counters.

Bicentennial calendars, it seems, are going up like wallpaper this year. And if you're a collector, this is your bonanza.

I'll put the St. Anthony Park offering near the top. The finely done graphic arts work, the photos and historic word sketches on each of the month's pages easily make it all worth the $2.50.

For March, you will get the 1873 fortress at 2266 Commonwealth Avenue, built for Gov. William R. Marshall, one of three governors claimed by the Park, the others Andrew R. McGill and Elmer L. Andersen, who still lives there.

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Your calendar is waiting for you ... proceeds going to make St. Anthony Park a better neighborhood in which to live.

Oliver Towne Column St. Paul Dispatch

Folks in the historic St. Anthony Park district of St. Paul are greeting the upcoming bicentennial year with a calendar offer.

Some marvelous photographs of the area illustrate the calendar—my favorite is a shot inside the old Hippodrome at the Minnesota State Fair—and events in the neighborhood are listed.

Collectors can buy it at stores along Como Ave. in St. Anthony Park. The calendar is sponsored by the St. Anthony Park Association in cooperation with the nonprofit Park Press, Inc., publisher of the neighborhood Park Bugle. It should be the obvious gift for St. Anthony Park residents everywhere.

Barbara Flanagan Minneapolis Star
Weavers Work the Warp and Weft

by Judy Wessel
Treadbenders employee

Increasing numbers of people today are discovering weaving as a creative form of self-expression. Classes teach an economical means of obtaining textile items, and an exciting self-satisfying hobby for Minnesota's cold winters.

Weaving is a process of intertwining two sets of threads. One set of threads, called the warp, is held taut. The other set of threads, called weft, intersects the warp horizontally, thus forming a pattern. Items can be woven or anything from a simple frame with nails at the top and bottom of the frame which holds the warp (as used by the Navajo Indians) to a complex floor loom.

A popular loom for beginners is the frame loom, which is held on your lap and rests against a table edge. This loom will weave articles as wide as 20", and has two harnesses, which is the simplest form of weaving. It differs from a Navajo loom, since it has rollers on the top and bottom of the frame, thus allowing an article of up to five yards to be woven. Navaho looms weave articles the length of the frame only. A frame loom weaves a basic tabby weave consisting of one thread over, one under repeated. However, patterns can be manipulated into the weaving by hand, producing varied effects.

For the more advanced weaver, table looms with four or more harnesses create more complex weaving patterns. Floor looms, larger versions of table looms, also create more patterns in the weave, and are wider—waving anything from 40 to 60 inches wide, depending on the loom size.

Finished products include tote bags, pillows, placemats, table runners, wall-hangings, ponchos, long skirts, scarves, and cowls.

NOTE: Courses for every weaver, from beginner to experienced, are offered at Treadbenders. Classes start in January and February, and again in March and April. Treadbenders also offers classes in spinning, basketry, knitting, needlepoint, finishing needlepoint articles, and creative stitchery. Sample articles are on display from past classes.
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**At Home**

Story and photo
by Mary Walker Sjovall

The house at 35 Langford Park was built in 1890 for W. W. Clark. In 1901 the house was purchased by Addie and Arthur D. Warner. Their daughter, Mrs. Frank J. Clark, 2352 Bourne, recalls that the family lived in a St. Paul hotel for a year while their house was decorated for them.

Originally, a one-family dwelling, with elegant oak woodwork, parquet floors, and a hand-painted ceiling, the Victorian exterior featured turrets, bays and gables. It was built on the small triangular-shaped block across from Langford Park which then had an artificial pond with a bridge across it and a sand walkway with flowers growing on either side.

Time passed and both the park and the house changed. Some time before 1920 the house was divided into three family units and rented. Eight years ago Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kusant bought the house and they live there today with their children Tommy, 11; Theresa, 9; Elizabeth, 6; and Ruthie, 3.

The porch wraps around the front and side of the house and the entrance has double doors. Another set of double doors with oval glass insets leads a visitor into the entry way. There, a most unusual and ornate hand-carved oak alcove encloses a fireplace. A family crest once rested in the carving above the semicircular enclosure. The ceilings are beamed in this area.

The house at 35 Langford Park has a semicircular space which at one time was used as a stage for musicians and formal entertainments. The stage is no longer there, but a rounded bench circles the area and can be used for extra seating. The ceilings are 10' 3" high and add to the feeling of spaciousness. Sliding oak doors divide the living room from the dining room which has a built-in corner cabinet with beveled glass and mirrors and an oak sideboard with a dumb-waiter.

The living room and dining room both contain unusual circular radiators. Used as auxiliary heaters, such radiators are said to be unique to this area of the country. Mrs. Kusant said she took them two years to find a repairman to work on them when it was broken.

The first floor also contains three bedrooms, a kitchen and a bath. Retaining characteristics from its rental days, the second floor has a living room with parquet floors, two or three bedrooms (depending on how the space is used), a kitchen and a bath. The third floor has a living room, two bedrooms, a kitchen and a bath. Additional areas in the house include an attic and a basement.

Last May this house was featured on the St. Paul Women's Philharmonic Association's Grand and Petite Historic Tour.

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**Library Offers Shows**

Attention children. As another one of its programs, the St. Anthony Park Branch Library offers special Saturday morning film and puppet shows the second Saturday of each month at 10:30 a.m. On Feb. 14, the films will be "Child of Hawaii" and "Zebras," and the puppet show is entitled Charlie Brown's Valentine.

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**'Wanda June' at U**

The University Theatre will be offering "Happy Birthday, Wanda June" by Kurt Vonnegut, Jr. weekends during the last week of January and the first three in February. Performances will be held at the Stoll Thrust Theatre, Rarig Center, University of Minnesota. For exact times and reservations call 373-2337.
The delicate nuance of the Minnesota Woodwind Quintet unfolds on Feb. 24 in a repertoire spanning the finest literature from Baroque to contemporary. This concert also includes a dinner. The series ends with an unusual evening of harp music, featuring the well-known harpist Lynne Aspnes and Jann Mathews, on March 2.

All of the concerts will have a candlelight atmosphere with wine and cheese served throughout the evening. The five-part series includes the dinner concerts and three wine and cheese concerts. The entire series is offered at $21.50. Tickets are also available for individual performances. Call 373-1051 to make reservations for the candlelight subscription series or for additional information.

Other Center Activities and Programs

The St. Paul Student Center is also featuring a number of other activities and programs which are available to residents. Featured this winter are 14 workshops and short courses, ranging from belly dancing to quilting. There’s also a series of free, jazz concerts every other Friday during Jan. and Feb. Held in the North Star Ballroom, the concerts will feature some of the top local jazz artists.

In addition, the Center is hosting a subscription film series entitled "Social Issues of the 20th Century." The weekly series of 10 films began Jan. 7, but the following outstanding classics remain to be seen: Dancing Mothers, Jan. 21; The Grapes of Wrath, Jan. 28; Dead End, Feb. 4; Guadalcanal Diary, Feb. 11; Best Years of Our Life, Feb. 18; All the Kings Men, Feb. 25; Rebel Without a Cause, Mar. 3; To Kill a Mockingbird, Mar. 10.

Program notes will be provided for each film and a discussion (led by a faculty member) will follow each viewing. Individual film tickets will cost $1 at the door. For exact time and location call the Center.

Law Office Opens

John Leibel, attorney, opened an office in St. Anthony Park January 5, 1976. A graduate of St. Thomas College and William Mitchell College of Law, Mr. Leibel will have a general practice.

Q. How do you propagate rose geraniums?
A. Propagate rose geraniums from stem cuttings (take tip cuttings 1½-3 inches long with clean cut at base). Insert base end into sand, vermiculite, or similar material, or in a glass of water. Keep around 65-70°F, but not in direct sun.

Horticulture's Harold Wilkins answered these questions:

Q. How often should African violets be repotted?
A. This is difficult to answer. Many old specimens have been in the same pot size for several to many years. The important aspect is a proper nutritional regime. I feel that a feed of commercial house plant fertilizer should be cut in half as per the recommendation and applied every 6 to 8 weeks.

Q. Is it necessary to repot an amaryllis bulb that was carried over? How often should it be fertilized after it is taken upstairs from the basement?
A. Amaryllis bulbs can be repotted after the leaves die back in the fall. Nutrients can be applied every 6 to 8 weeks during the growing season, adjusted to the amount of water required—winter vs. summer. See comments on African violets on concentrations.
Books:
By Deborah Odell Coleman

The Women’s Network Directory describes itself as a “fully indexed” cookbook for all women in the seven-county metropolitan area,” containing “recipes, art, photography and in-depth articles on nineteen subjects relating to women.”

It’s an ambitious, worthwhile undertaking; as a listing of public and private resources available in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area, it succeeds fairly well in providing names, descriptions, and phone numbers of organizations women can use to obtain job counseling and educational, medical and legal help, etc.

Some of the articles are valuable and enjoyable: the delightful poem “High School Algebra” by Martha Roth is worth the book’s price; the health section is good, particularly Karen Covington’s “Self Help,” on breast examination; Jay Meno’s “Aging and Women: How to Do It, Baby” and Nancy Lehmann’s “Women’s Self Defense Is a Social Responsibility” are outstanding.

The Directory does have weaknesses; future editions can correct. For instance, sloppy editing occurs in places and should be avoidable.

Also, articles frequently reflect the Women’s Network’s “societal-feminist” perspective, which requires judicious filtering through some sludgy rhetoric, while the section on politics does not include articles from either the DFL or GOP Feminist Caucuses. It would seem the latter would be more valuable to “all women” at whom the Directory says it aims.

I hope the Network has established an objective critique program for both self-help, private groups are checked out thoroughly (I know of one listed that I would no more recommend to a woman who wants to become healthy, self-reliant, and independent than I would recommend cyanide cookies for nourishment.)

Finally, while feminism deals with women’s rights and dignity (the denial of which are not conducive to a civil sense of humor) and with victimization (which creates rage), I hope future editions will publish more articles on feminism’s positive virtues.

ST. ANTHONY PARK ASSOCIATION JANUARY PROGRAM PLANS

DATE: Tuesday, January 27, 1976.

LOCATION: Lutheran Church, Como at Luther Place.

PROGRAM: Building Our Future from Our Past: A multi-media slide presentation on the preservation and restoration of older homes, the types of homes that give the Park its “Old Town” character. Ted Lents of Old Town Restorations, Inc. will share this exciting and professional presentation with the Park Association.

TIME: 5:50 p.m. Dinner, followed by the program. Adjournment at 8:00 p.m.

DINNER PRICE: $2.50 per person. Reservations made but not honored will be billed for the cost of the meal. Last minute cancellations can be made by calling Bill Mantis at 644-1156.

RESERVATIONS: For dinner reservations, call Mary Sue Zavos at 644-8464. Dinners are catered by Warren Jensen, a Park resident and neighbor.

Snow Queen Opens

A new dramatization of Hans Christian Andersen’s “The Snow Queen” is the Children’s Theatre Company’s mid-winter production, opening January 24. It is one of the Danish storyteller’s most famous and popular tales.

The new script by award-winning British poet, Michael Dennis Brown, is staged in Scandinavian folk-style by John Clark Donahue with scenic and costume design by resident designer Dahl Delu. The musical score has been composed by Steven M. Rydberg.

Complete performance dates and time for “The Snow Queen” are as follows:

- Saturdays at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. — Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14, 21
- Sundays at 2 p.m. — Jan. 25, Feb. 1, 8, 15, 22
- Evenings at 8 p.m. — Feb. 5, 6, 12, 13
Mrs. Chiang Goes to China

by Jane Rindberg

Mrs. Zoe Chiang, wife of Dr. Husi Chiang, (Bugle, October 1975) has just returned to Lauderdale from a 24-day visit to China. She went for a long-anticipated reunion with sisters and a brother whom she has not seen since 1945 when the Chiangs left western China to come to the University of Minnesota at Duluth.

On arrival in Peking, Mrs. Chiang was met by a National Visitors Bureau representative and taken to an inn. The hotel designated specifically for returning Chinese. The hotel offered excellent, low-priced meals, reasonable rooms ($7/night for a single with shared bath), and many other services.

The day after Mrs. Chiang's arrival in Peking, two of her sisters came to the hotel to see her. One is a physician in charge of training "barefoot doctors" in a southern province. Her elder sister is employed at a national research institute in Peking. They spent many hours catching up on family history.

Since this was her first visit to Peking, the family arranged a thorough "Cook's Tour"... the former Imperial Palace, Temple of Heaven, Peihai Park, and the Summer Palace. One day was spent on a people's mini-bus tour to the Great Wall. Then by arrangement of the Visitors Bureau, Mrs. Chiang traveled alone by train to Tsingtao, a beautiful seaside city and foreign trade port, to visit her brother, a doctor, who teaches at a medical school.

An enthusiastic gardener, Mrs. Chiang made a two-day train journey to visit Soochow, one of the oldest (2500 years) and most celebrated, unspoiled cities south of the Yangtz River. Soochow is known for its gardens, silks and embroidery, and it just opened to tourists. However, the new national policy on tourism seemed not to impress the hotel manager. He greeted her with, "Oh, another one!" She had requested permission to remain three days but was informed brusquely by a Visitors Bureau representative that, "Two days is enough!" After tours through four factories and seven gardens in 48 hours, she laughingly agreed that the travel representative was quite correct.

Mrs. Chiang was delighted with the picturesque gardens of Soochow, their exquisite rockeries, colonnades, and glistening pools characterizing styles of art of the Sung (960-1279), Yuan, Ming, and Ching dynasties.

The embroidery and silk factories are located in the midst of some of the most beautiful gardens. To be employed there is considered a great honor, moving the artisans to donate their free time to maintaining the gardens. Soochow embroidery is thought to have been a famous craft since the Six Dynasties (3rd-6th centuries). The creative work of generations of embroiderers has resulted in Soochow embroidery with more than 40 kinds of stitches—some work so perfect that it is almost impossible to distinguish from the painting itself.

Thirty years of family and national history compressed into 24 days was a memorable experience for Zoe Chiang. Since their separate visits, Dr. and Mrs. Chiang have spent many hours comparing their impressions—his gained in a structured, diplomatic atmosphere and hers in an informal, family situation.

Artist Exhibits

Works by Peter Emberly are on exhibit at St. Anthony Park State Bank during January.

Mr. Emberly was born in Newfoundland, Canada in 1906. At the age of ten, he entered the Victorian School of Art in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

He came to the United States in 1920 and studied under Henry Carling, a noted portrait and landscape artist in Saint Paul.

Later, he studied Old Masters with Sir Norman of London, England and Herr Steinhil of Berlin, Germany. Both men were also trained glass artists whose work includes the Basilica of Saint Mary and Central Lutheran Church, both in Minneapolis.

In the 1940's, Emberly moved to Winnipeg, Canada, where he painted for the Little Gallery. Emberly returned to the United States in the late 1940's as a free-lance artist.
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Loans Available

Midway National Bank reports that $150,000 is still available for housing rehabilitation loans as the February 15 deadline rapidly approaches for termination of the program.

The funds are provided by the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) for the purpose of providing funds to eligible residents for the repair, improvement, and rehabilitation of existing housing.

The loans, provided at an interest rate of only 7%, are available to applicants with incomes of less than $6,000. The 12 year maximum term loans are available up to $10,000 for single family units and $5,000 per unit for dwellings having between two to four units.

PARK PEOPLE

by Kathy Diedrich

Ever since he was a student at Murray High School, Carleton Brookins has carried a camera. What started out as a hobby has since become his vocation.

This month seven of Brookins’ photographs, along with the work of six other Twin Cities area photographers, are on view at Artisans’ World, the gallery at 2274 Como Avenue, owned by Brookins and his wife Jean.

Brookins photographs in the show are a selection from his latest work that results from a time-consuming darkroom technique which produces high-contrast almost line-drawing pictures in black and white. They are representative of what he calls his present stage of development as a camera artist. They are, too, he agrees, a far cry from the photographs he supplied to the Murray High School Pilot yearbook during his student days. However, he credits those early photographic assignments with establishing his interest in photography which has continued for over 25 years.

During a stint in the U.S. Navy, he served as a photographer at the Navy’s National Photographic Center in the motion picture division, located in Washington, D.C. At the University of Minnesota (he was graduated with an interdepartmental liberal arts degree in 1956), Brookins was the photo editor and later editor of the Gopher, the University’s yearbook. Employment by the Minnesota State Highway Department provided additional opportunities to use photography and motion pictures in his position as informational representative in the safety division.

Then came a ten-year period of work in educational and public television, first at KTCV-TV in St. Paul as producer-director and production manager, then as program director and general manager of KFME in Fargo, North Dakota.

It was while he was at KTCV-TV that Brookins was asked to prepare his first one-man show of photographs at St. Cloud State College. Since then, he has had shows at the Kresse Galleries in East Lansing, Michigan, and at Michigan State University. In addition he has had work published in various small magazines, exhibited at the Farago Public Library and in Twin Cities art fairs.

It has been part of the Artisans’ World’s gallery program to feature the work of one or more artists every other month. January is photography’s turn, and Brookins put together the present show of photographs featuring Anja, Patricia Horn-Mortenson, Carl Alstad, Bob Prischet, Richard Sundt and John Hagelund, in addition to himself. The show will be on exhibit through February 6.

Besides managing Artisans’ World, Brookins is on the faculty at Metropolitan State University in St. Paul. There he teaches classes in photography and provides pictures for the institution’s publications and learning resources, and he counsels students. In addition, he is an active freelance photographer. The Brookins family lives in Roseville, where daughters Shannon 14, and Elissa, 12, attend Johanna Junior High School.

Brookins stands beside some of his photographs in the gallery of Artisans’ World. His work along with that of six other area photographers will be on display through February 6. Photo by Jean Brookins.
Bits & Pieces

This year’s Winter Carnival is being billed as “Everybody’s Ice Centennial” and will take place January 23-Feb. 1. Numerous new events are being added to this year’s 100th anniversary festival, including a barbershop quartet performance, a cat show, a kite flying rally, a cross country sled dog expedition, an indoor tennis tournament, a sleigh and cutter parade, a photo contest, and a cross country ski clinic.

Events which will occur nearby are of special interest to Parkites: a chess tournament, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church; Cyclamen and Orchid Show, Como Park Conservatory; “Foresters Day,” St. Paul Campus; Arts and Crafts Festival, Har Mar Mall; AAU Swim Meet, Parkview Junior High School in Roseville; Mutt Races, Lake Como; Nat’l Outdoor Speed Skating Championships, Lake Como; Bantam Hockey Tournament (preliminaries and semifinals) Midway arena, and snowmobile rides and games at the State Fairground. For exact times and locations, call 222-4416.

A St. Anthony Park couple, John and Eleanor Hall, were honored for their outstanding performances as sales distributors for the Shaklee Corporation by receiving an all expense paid trip to San Francisco.

Count yourself among the lucky if you are eligible for membership in the Leisure Center. Having attained the mature age of 60, you are entitled to fine food and good entertainment and companionship every Wednesday of the year at the St. Anthony Park Methodist Church.

However, if you can’t make the rank, it’s possible to affiliate by helping at the Leisure Center. Local churches agree to recruit volunteers who are willing to help one Wednesday noon each month. Anyone who feels inclined to participate in such a community venture should contact one of the following: Maxine Peterson, 645-2673; Monica Kline, 645-3231; Nora Rognes, 646-8176; Marion Hartwick, 644-2420.

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