



St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ celebrated Pentecost with a balloon lift-off carrying messages of greeting to all. A postcard was sent back to the church from Eau Claire, Wisconsin saying they had received one of the balloon messages. Photo by Mary Walker Sjowall.

## Community Ed Director Resigns

By Sharon Benepe

On July 2 Cathy Hare, director of the Langford Park community center, resigned from her job. Hare was also in charge of the community education program for St. Anthony Park.

Hare, who was director for two years, said, "The respon-

sibilities of these two positions were too much for one person to handle effectively. I was pulled in two directions and I found I could not put my best efforts into either job."

At the time Hare resigned she was expected to oversee the program for the Langford Park physical and recreational education as well as to direct

Community Education for the St. Anthony Park schools. Often, Community Ed and Parks and Rec in St. Paul share personnel.

Hare said, "I came to Langford Park as the Director of the Parks and Rec. With the addition of Community Ed programs I spent most of my time in a tug of war with the people in administration. Because of this I was unable to do either job as well as I would have liked to. I would like to continue as a Parks and Rec person and I am hoping to get another job as a Parks and Rec Director. I understood when I originally accepted the job with Parks and Rec that there would be problems with red tape. With the addition of the Community Ed program the job became a sixty or seventy hour commitment without an increase in pay. The pay is the same for a person who is a Parks and Rec Director as it is for a Parks and Rec person who is also in charge of Community Ed."



Photo by Kathleen M. Boss.

## Park Designs Approved

By Greg Haley

Neighbors reviewed and approved the city's design for improvements to Langford Park. The design includes a new sand filled play area with swings, climbing structure, merry go round and a special area for small children. The existing sandbox will be removed and that area will be

used for spectators and bike parking. The area just north of the building will have tables under new trees for crafts and games. Lastly, a new hardsurface outside the tennis courts will be installed for individual practice using the new bang-board. \$61,000 is available with construction scheduled for fall or spring.

Hare, who plans to remain with the program in another capacity, feels, "If the city hired two people for these larger jobs instead of one person for two jobs the program would probably run more efficiently". In my job I had to physically commute to two different places during mid day. I felt I was spending most of my time running back and forth between the two buildings".

## Murray, a Magnet

Murray was named the first "magnet" junior high in St. Paul by the Board of Education at their July 10 meeting. As a magnet school, Murray will feature a unique and creative program designed to develop the skills and talents of young people drawn from all areas of the city.

In a 6-0 decision (Board member Eleanor Weber was in the U.S.S.R. and missed the meeting), the Board accepted a proposal written by Murray Principal Vern Kenyon and Assistant Principal Joe Nathan. The proposal had previously been approved by Superintendent George Young and his assistant, Kenneth Berg. It received funding in June from a \$19,600 two year grant from the Northwest Area Foundation.

The magnet approach has been successful at the elementary level, with Webster Magnet drawing 900 students. Webster parents have cited the need for a follow-up junior high program. National experts have pointed out that gifts and talents of young people are not being fully developed, and junior high students suffer from underachievement.

Anticipated enrollment for Murray had been 310 students. That figure could swell to 600 because of the Board's designation of Murray as a magnet school. Additional teachers will be transferred to Murray as the need arises to maintain the present teacher-pupil ratio. Increased faculty permits broadening of curriculum.

The morning after the Board's decision, 6525 letters were mailed from Murray to the parents of every potential junior high student in the district, including those now

attending private schools. These letters invite interested students to transfer to Murray. Students in the present Murray attendance area may remain at Murray or transfer to another school. Up to 5% of the total students in any other junior high attendance area may transfer to Murray. For example, Wilson Junior High has a total of 1159 students in its attendance area, of whom 505 presently attend Wilson. 5% of the 1159, or 60 students from that area, will be allowed to transfer to Murray. Admission will be on a first-come, first-served basis from each area up to a total of 600 students, with no screening tests required.

In addition to the courses now at Murray in Phy. ed., debate, writing, literature, math, history, geography, science, music, art, home ec., industrial arts, and foreign languages, several special programs will be offered. Most students will select at least one of these courses designed to develop their special gifts and talents. An advisor-advisee program will be instituted, which will further individualize the educational experiences of each student.

In *Environmental Science* materials will be used from the Environmental Education Community Opportunities for Stewardship (ECOS) program from Yorktown, New York. The program combines classroom and community environmental studies.

The *Career Information Project* will allow students to talk with a variety of people about their careers. Both the St. Paul Trades and Labor Council and the Chamber of Commerce have pledged their cooperation. Shadow studies of

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## Business Adds to Quality of Life

By William Huestis

The District 12 Community Council is a great place to discover what is really happening. As a recently elected member, I am learning to participate in the many concerns and projects that confront the council.

It pleases me to witness the meaningful contribution that the business community can make. As a representative of the Midway Civic and Commerce Association, the West Midway Local Development Corporation, and the president of a local business concern, the awareness of our mutual concerns results in a better understanding and empathy between residents and industry.

It is reported that, in the past, business felt resented, residents felt threatened. These feelings are no longer appropriate, if in fact they ever were.

A concerted effort is being made to improve the appearance of the University Avenue, Raymond

Avenue intersection. As one of the major gateways into our community it deserves our attention. The Industrial Development Committee of the Midway Civic and Commerce Association is spearheading this effort, with the enthusiastic support of District 12 Council. Any improvement in our community improves the entire area.

Other major projects in our district are the new M.T.C. overhaul base on Cleveland Avenue at Wabash; the major construction now underway at Central Warehouse Company at Vandalia and Territorial Road; a parking lot for Group Health at Como and Eustis. Engineering is now underway for the easterly extension of Kasota and the northerly extension of Prior Avenue. This will reduce the traffic on Como Avenue and also on Raymond Avenue. In addition it will make accessible additional vacant land for residential and industrial development along these routes.

The business community makes a major overall contribution to the "Quality of Life" in our area. The millions of dollars of real estate taxes, taxes on earnings, and family supporting payroll provided by employees, make all this possible.

I propose that St. Anthony Park and the West Midway businesses are a partnership in community development. We cannot exist alone. We can, through cooperation and understanding, serve our individual needs and concerns while enhancing the circumstances for everyone in our area. Progress in a joint venture.

William Huestis has operated a business in the West Midway for 22 years. He is President of LP Gas Equipment, Inc. and Road Rescue, Inc., both are located at 2161 University Avenue, corner of Vandalia. These businesses provide income for 60 families residing in our Twin City area.

### ★ Energy Park Project Discussed for Midway

Mayor Latimer met with representatives of the planning districts adjacent to the Koppers Coke and Midway Stadium sites on July 13 to discuss the idea of developing an Energy Park in the Midway.

District 12 was represented by Ann Copeland, President of the St. Anthony Park Association, and Bill Huestis, President of LP Gas Equipment.

Nearly 250 acres of underutilized land in the heart of the metropolitan area is potentially available for development. Fully capitalizing on this opportunity can demonstrate that the energy field itself is a major growth industry for the State of Minnesota.

Linking together the best of the energy-conserving approaches essential for resolving America's critical energy shortages, this project could yield a tightly programmed public-private venture as an energy efficient, urban conservation showpiece.

An increase in the urban job base would also provide much-needed energy-efficient housing.

Most of all it would integrate the best of what we know about energy-efficient housing, heating, solid waste disposal, solar development, transportation and land use planning.

At this point the proposal is in the idea stage. Latimer called this initial meeting with citizen representatives to give information and to invite discussion and citizen participation.

More information is available at the District 12 office or you may contact the Office of the Mayor.

### ★ Objections Raised

Objections to the move of Lambda Delta Phi Sorority from 1270 Raymond to 1381 Cleveland have been raised by neighboring residents at the Zoning Committee hearings of the Planning Commission.

The Physical Committee of District 12 Community Council met with John Rutford, 1384 Raymond, who objects to the proposal, and Charles Knudsen, realtor, who petitioned on behalf of the sorority, on June 26, 1979.

Physical Committee members agreed to support Knudsen's petition if he satisfies conditions specified by the Planning Commission. Support was based on the belief that the sorority's move from Raymond to Cleveland satisfies the long range goals of the community.

Rutford and others objecting plan to appeal the Physical Committee's decision to support the proposed move at the Community Council meeting Aug. 8 at 5 p.m.

### ★ What's Your Opinion

Should Cleveland Avenue be widened adjacent to the University of Minnesota campus?

Should parking be banned on Cleveland Avenue adjacent to the University of Minnesota campus?

Should parking be banned on Cleveland Avenue adjacent to the University of Minnesota campus during the winter months only?

Should residents be able to buy a parking permit (est. cost: \$15) from the City in order to park in the area adjacent to the University of Minnesota campus?

Call or write the District 12 office at 2380 Hampden, St. Paul 55114. Phone: 646-8884.

### ★ LEAA Grant Awarded

City Council passed a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a LEAA grant from the Minnesota Crime Control Planning Board for the Saint Paul Neighborhood Team Policing project. The LEAA grant in the amount of \$192,182 is to be matched by \$10,677 in state (LAC) funds and \$117,808 in local funds. The Neighborhood Team Policing project is to be implemented by the Saint Paul Police Department from July 1, 1979 through December 31, 1979.

### ★ Candidates Sought

Mayor George Latimer has announced openings on the Saint Paul Planning Commission, the Parking Commission, and the Public Housing Agency Board.

Anyone interested in serving on these bodies should send resumes to Gail Weinstein, Office of the Mayor, 347 City Hall, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102.



This South St. Anthony Park building is being remodeled as a Neighborhood Crafts and Carpentry Shop by Dennis Ferche.

### ★ Meetings Coming Up

(All meetings are open to the public and are held at 2380 Hampden unless otherwise indicated.)

August 2 Physical Committee 5 p.m.  
Tentative agenda: 1) Review of Town House Development proposal for Ellis Ave. site, South St. Anthony Park 2) Review of Carpenters Union proposal for use of adjacent property 3) Discussion with City engineers regarding widening of Cleveland Ave.

August 8 Community Council Meeting 5 p.m.

August 22 Human Services Committee 7 p.m.





# PARK PEOPLE

By Mollie Hoben

Ask Kiki Gore about St. Anthony Park and you get a who's who of Park residents. "I could give you 25 names right now of people you should be interviewing instead of me," she says. And in the ensuing interview she does just that, describing a variety of individuals, with short impromptu biographies for each, including genealogies and lists of accomplishments.

Clearly, for Kiki, St. Anthony Park is what it is because of the people who live here. "There are so many people in this neighborhood who do good things!" she exclaims.

"I told my children once that if they ever needed anything and their father or I weren't here they could go to any house around us and knock on the door and they wouldn't be turned away.

"I really believe that." Kiki waves her arm toward the window to indicate her neighbors' houses. "There's no place I can see from here where if I were in need I'd be turned down. That's a pretty heady feeling."

For both Kiki and her husband, St. Anthony Park is reminiscent of the places where they grew up, although their childhood homes were very different. While her husband grew up in a small town in Iowa, Kiki was growing up in an "ethnic pocket" of Evanston, Illinois, daughter of immigrant Greek parents.

"It was a neighborhood where everybody spoke something else," she describes. "An unbelievable little Europe."

"In retrospect, we had all the same things I find so significant about St. Anthony Park: a sense of neighborhood, schools close enough for children to walk to, diversity of ages and interests, good friends."

"I like being able to walk to things—to church, to the bank, the drugstore, school. I don't like a community on wheels. To build your life around a car—it seems like such a waste."

Kiki describes her childhood home as a place where there were always people around. "Although there were only four of us, there was never a



Photo by Kathleen M. Boss.

Sunday when only four people sat down to dinner at our table."

This pattern continues in the Gore household today. "I like having people in my home. Nice things happen around dinner tables," Kiki believes.

She extends this belief to the community. "When people are getting together to plan or argue or discuss, it's good to eat together. Talking together over homemade bread—it's not a bad way to solve problems, is it?" Currently she prepares the dinners for Park Association monthly meetings, and she regularly sells baklava at the SAP Festival.

Kiki is an enthusiastic supporter of the schools in St. Anthony Park. "Schools are a very important part of a

neighborhood." Daughter Leah, 13, attends Murray and son Paul, 10, attends SAP elementary.

"I am so committed to what I think public education can be," she declares, adding, "If I had my way, people would never leave school—it's the best place to be."

The Gores have lived in St. Anthony Park ten years. They came for "just one year," while husband Warren taught at the University of Minnesota on a leave of absence from the University of Cincinnati. Somehow, they never went back. "We still have things stored in a friend's attic in Cincinnati."

"St. Anthony Park is one of the nicest things that has happened to us," she declares.

## Antennae of the Race

The second in a series of videotapes about art and artists called *The Antennae of the Race* will take place on August 23 at 8:30 p.m. in Muskego Church in St. Anthony Park in St. Paul. The program features *A Man Writes to a Part of Himself*, an award winning documentary about Robert Bly. Bly and the producers will be present. Small donations

accepted. Turn off the tube and bring the whole family.

The *Antennae of the Race*, which is how Ezra Pound defined artists, is brought to you by the CIE with help from the St. Paul Videocenter, University Community Video, the St. Anthony Park Arts Forum, the Mott Foundation, and Compas/Intersection.

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## Guest Editorial

### What Can You Do to Make Murray Work?

The decision to name Murray Junior High as a magnet didn't just happen. It's the result of many years of effort by a number of people. Not all can be named, but some deserve special thanks. Janet Quale's name has become synonymous with the magnet concept. She was one of 29 Murray area people who met with SECAC (Secondary Education Citizen's Advisory Committee) week after week through 1974 and 1975. One result of that committee's work was that Murray be declared a magnet junior high, although the idea submerged again for a few years. Thanks also to Faith Fretheim and Ed Hessler, who were among those who worked last year on the Citizens' Long-Range Planning Committee.

1978-79 was a year of peaks and valleys, when Murray almost closed its doors forever, and Murray people and the St. Paul School Board got well-acquainted. Area citizens wrote letters, signed petitions, made phone calls and attended hours of meetings. Over 200 came to the Murray open hearing, where 37 spoke, led by 7th-grader Lester Craven and his slide presentation. After the March 13 decision to keep all 11 junior highs open, Murray was still alive but faced slow death by strangulation.

Emphasis shifted again to the magnet school concept. There were meetings between administrators at Murray and downtown and PTSA officers: Joe Everson, myself, Julie Leitzke, Dick Phillips, Kiki Gore, Charlie Thorne. For years, the St. Anthony Park Association School Committee has worked to improve the local schools. In June, Ann Copeland and Peter Jordan testified at the Board of Education to keep a fulltime principal at Murray. Webster Elementary Magnet parents petitioned the Board for a magnet junior high.

Above all who have worked for this decision, two stand out: Murray administrators Vern Kenyon and Joe Nathan. In addition to writing grant proposals, they have spent hours talking with experts on national and state levels, getting ideas and materials for new innovative programs to develop student talents. Thanks also to the Board of Education, whose members have learned much about Murray this year and who recognize the concern for quality education here.

The magnet school is now a reality. Instead of slowly dying, Murray has the chance to develop a potential of 600 students. It's up to us to make it work—students, staff, and community. July is late for students committed to a school in September to change plans, but enrollment will gradually build. This year, there were 153 permit students at Murray, mostly minorities. Enrollment is now open to all students in the city, regardless of race or ability.

As you read through the proposed programs at Murray, you'll note that education is no longer confined to the Ivory Tower, but involves an outreach to and from the community. What can you do to make Murray Magnet Junior High work?

- Talk to your friends with kids in other junior highs, public and private. Encourage them to look at the Murray program.
- Volunteer part of your time and talents to the program. Examples: Let a student shadow you for a day to study your work, arrange for a student speaker for your organization, volunteer to lead a Great Books discussion once a week, help with an environmental study in your neighborhood.

We can all grow together through this experience. Let's take up the challenge in appreciation of all the hours of work behind this decision. If you can help, call Murray, 645-9474, or Ann Bulger, 645-2329.

Ann Bulger

### Bugle Dates for September

Staff Meeting: July 30, 6:30 p.m. at SAP Library.

Advertising Deadline: August 16.

Church News Deadline: August 17.

Bugle Copy Deadline: August 20.

## Letters



### Cleanliness Counts

To the Editor:

My pet peeve recently has been the deterioration of cleanliness around Bridgeman's on Como and the service provided there. I'm writing in hopes that it will cause improvements that should be made—which would benefit everyone, I think.

Along with many of my friends in the neighborhood, I was pleased several years ago to have Bridgeman's open in the Park. I'm sorry to say that it has become, for the most part, an unpleasant place to go or even to pass by.

In talking with people in the community about my feelings, I've gathered some examples of other reactions which may be enlightening!

1. An older person living in the Park, who routinely has breakfast at Bridgeman's, arrived at the scheduled opening time and found that Bridgeman's was not open. After waiting about fifteen minutes, the resident proceeded down Como to the Copper Dome for breakfast. When she arrived at the Copper Dome, she observed about twenty other Park residents, who routinely had breakfast at Bridgeman's, had

experienced the same problem and were having breakfast at the Copper Dome.

2. Numerous complaints have been registered concerning the fact that the bathroom and the entryway are not kept clean. A friend's 4-year old frequented Bridgeman's this weekend with his parents and used the toilet facilities. Upon his return to join his family, he stated, "Daddy, this place sure stinks."

3. The floor surrounding the ice cream counter has been reported to be consistently dirty.

4. The service has gone from fair to poor. Customers frequently set their own place-mats because they know that they will have to wait too long to have it done by a waitress. Similarly, they pour their own coffee because the waitresses do not observe the customer's needs. One Park resident and his wife went to Bridgeman's for a soda or sundae during the evening and experienced the following: They waited a substantial period of time before their order was taken, after ordering a considerable amount of time elapsed before it was prepared. After the order was prepared, the waitress placed their order on the counter and let it sit for about fifteen minutes while she served other customers. They finally left without being served.

5. The Manager seems unable to cope with the tougher element of young people who tend to congregate in the area.

6. The waitresses are observed to spend more time talking to local boys than waiting on customers.

7. Take-out containers are frequently disposed of on the sidewalk and surrounding areas of the Park. Although the litter is frequently distributed throughout the Park area, an abundance of it tends to end up in the bus stop shelter located immediately outside the entry way to the store. During the Festival a member of the Board of Directors of the St. Anthony Park Association brought her broom and a dustpan from home to clean out the facility after the manager of Bridgeman's indicated it was not her responsibility to clean out the shelter in front of the store, even though it was an eyesore to the Commercial Festival and was littered with Bridgeman containers.

8. Last but not least, after patronizing the store and getting ready to leave when an attempt is made to pay the bill, there is no one available to take the money. Oftentimes one has to wait up to five minutes to get someone's attention just to ring up the sale and accept payment.

The above does not represent an exhaustive survey of the complaints registered by the community with respect to the state of the Bridgeman's operation, and it does not contain a statement to the effect that the community, as a whole, is extremely supportive of the operation and are hopeful that it will be economically successful and stay in the community as part of it. However, due to the conditions summarized above, patronization has dropped off and will continue to drop off unless the environment surrounding the delivery of services improve so as to be compatible with the advertisements such as we see on TV.

Sincerely,  
Lois Glaeser

## The Park Bugle



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## Meet the Faculty

The community is invited to meet the faculty at Murray Magnet Junior High at a Brown Bag Lunch on Thursday, August 30, from 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. in the Murray cafeteria. The PTSA will provide coffee and cookies, while visitors bring their own bag lunches.

There will be an opportunity for informal discussion of the new program at Murray. Preceding the lunch, the PTSA Board will meet at 10:30 in the new IMC. This meeting is also open to the public.



## Wine Issue Aged to Perfection

By Sharon Benepe

Entrees served with wine are the latest addition to the menu of the Muffuletta Restaurant. The wine license, approved on July 11 by the St. Paul City Council, insured the restaurant's plan to expand into the former location of the "Threadbenders". Also, improvements will be made to their present kitchen and restrooms.

"We love the community and the people in the area", commented Wayne Skjelstad, the restaurant's manager. "We are very pleased with the approval of the license and we know that wine will enhance our menu", he continued.

The Muffuletta will initially feature three house wines - a burgundy, a chenin blanc, and a vin rose. They are also planning minor changes and additions to the present menu. "I would like to see complete dinners as menu choices - an addition of a small steak, or perhaps poached salmon," commented Phil Roberts, one of the restaurants co-owners. Roberts continued, "A complete dinner option is appropriate with the addition of wine. We did not feel that we could serve more expensive dinner choices without wine. The menu additions will be in keeping with the present menu and we will continue to serve our high quality of food and service."

The new construction will start with improvements to the kitchen and rest rooms. A walk-in cooler will increase the efficiency of our kitchen help", stated Skjelstad. The kitchen will also have a new dishwasher and will be completely repainted. "We hope to start our addition by the end of the year", stated Skjelstad.

A gas main that runs through Milton Square has temporarily stopped construction on the addition. "Building requirements are different for a restaurant than a retail store. The plumbing and kitchen mechanics all have to meet strict building codes. With an older building like Milton Square we often do not know we have a problem until we start working. Because of this we expect to have several delays during the construction period," Roberts commented.

"The cost of remodeling an old building is also prohibitive in many extensive construction jobs," said Skjelstad. "We have to spend more money than we anticipated on the job because of the gas main pro-

blem. We are presently under negotiations with the landlord of Milton Square concerning the cost of the project....we are sure we will reach an agreement soon."

When asked about the decor for the new addition, Roberts said, "The present Muffuletta design looks like a New York style restaurant. Our new addition will have a European flare. Perhaps the best description would be modified high tech. The addition will have many similarities to the present dining room."

The Muffuletta offers another feature to their dining patrons. The "Sky Room" is a private room for parties of up to 35 people. The staff of the Muffuletta will prepare the food of

the host's choice for affairs ranging from birthday parties to weddings or graduation celebrations. "The kitchen requires advance notice—we encourage the host of the party to choose the meal of his or her choice. The meal does not have to be featured on our regular menu," said Skjelstad.

"The Muffuletta is our first experience in the restaurant business, said Roberts. The co-owner of the restaurant is Pete Mihajlov. Neither of the men have had previous restaurant experience. "We are delighted with the success of the Muffuletta and we hope that the new additions to the present restaurant will please our old customers and encourage new people to try us," said Roberts.



Photo by Mike Hazard.

## McClure Tooted

Gail McClure, an assistant professor of agricultural journalism and leader of the publications section for the Agricultural Extension Service at the University of Minnesota, has been awarded a Pioneer Ace Award at the annual meeting of Agricultural

Communicators in Education (ACE) at Newark, Delaware.

The award is given each year to young women or men with ACE who have made outstanding contributions to communication within their states. McClure was chosen for the award from among 12 nominees representing the organization's north central region.

She joined the University of Minnesota in October, 1975. Before that she worked for a year as writer and production manager for Farmers Union Publishing and for several years as a writing instructor in high school and college in her native state of Kansas. She holds B.A. and M.A. degrees from Kansas State University.

McClure lives at 982 Cromwell Avenue, St. Paul. She is a former editor of the St. Anthony Park Bugle.

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## St. Anthony Park Association



Edited by Ann Bulger, 645-2329

## Family Steak Fry on August 14

Bring your family to the Steak Fry at the Langford Park bandstand at 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14. The St. Anthony Park Association provides for each serving: 8-ounce steak, dinner roll, corn on the cob, butter & salt, milk or coffee. You provide: Your family, good appetites, all eating utensils (plates, cups, silver, napkins), other food if desired, such as salad, relishes, or dessert. (There will be hot dogs for those who prefer them to steak.)

After-dinner entertainment is a Sing-along—"Sit in a circle and sing." Emphasis is on the family, from babes-in-arms to grandparents. There are three levels of participation: an inner circle for those who want to lead, play music, or sing actively, a middle circle for listening and passive, occasional singing, and an outer circle for those who prefer to visit with music in the background. If you are a strummer, fiddler, or picker, or like to lead songs, or have a new song to practice on somebody, or just enjoy making your own kind of music, call Ginny Christian, 644-6354, by August 7. A microphone will be available at the bandstand.

Reservations are a must for this evening of family food and fun. Mrs. Olga Hallberg will be calling association members by August 10. If you are not called, or wish to add or cancel a reservation, call David and Linda Maschwitz, 646-8530, by August 12. Reservations must be paid for if not canceled 24 hours in advance. Meet your neighbors at the Steak Fry!

## A Great Fourth of July

The 33rd Annual Fourth of July Celebration, sponsored by the St. Anthony Park Association at Langford Park had record attendance due to the midweek holiday, the gas shortage, and the big assist from Mother Nature with glorious weather. A record amount of food was consumed at the concession stands at the same or lower prices than last year! The AFS sold out at their chicken barbeque for the first time in years. Thank you to all who supported their dinner and apologies to those who weren't served. Profits of over \$1000 will go to the student exchange program at the new Como Senior High.

Grand prize winners at the evening drawings were Tom Kusant, who won the bike, and John Knutson, the barbeque. There were 48 other prize winners. (A pendant was found in

the Park. If yours is missing, call Stew at the Park Hardware, 644-1695, and identify it.)

The St. Anthony Park Association is still accepting contributions for the celebration. If you had a good day, help us to have one again next year. Send your donations, large or small, to the Fourth of July Committee, St. Anthony Park Association, P.O. 80062, Como Station, St. Paul, 55108.

The Association wishes to thank the following assisting groups: Murray-Como AFS, St. Paul Parks & Recreation, Como Zoo Docents, Speedy Market, Macalester College Pipe Band, Ronald McDonald, Park Bugle, Jack Pearson Clown Club, Langford soccer teams, Metropolitan Mosquito Control District, Local 30 of St. Paul Musicians Union, St. Paul Fire and Police.

Thanks also to the members of the July 4th committee: Stew McIntosh, chairman; Jim Christenson, assistant chairman; Charlie Flinn, consultant & past chairman; Stu Peterson, Tom Frost, parade; Bill Paist, evening entertainment; Brad Rinsem, tickets; Jerry Rinehart, concessions; Don Razskazoff, door prizes; Steve Wellington, donations; Jack Pearson, children's races; Cathy Hare, Langford Recreation; Jean Baumgartner, Community Education; John Magnuson, distance races.

## August Dates

August 7 - 7:30 p.m. - St.A.P.A. Board, 1506 Chelmsford.

August 14 - 6:15 p.m. - Family Steak Fry, followed by Sing-along at 7:15, Langford Park

August 30 - 10:30 a.m. - Murray PTSA Board - Murray IMC, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - Brown Bag Lunch with Murray faculty - Open to the community - Murray cafeteria

August 1 - 7:30 p.m. - Langford Booster Club Meeting, Langford Park.

(If your organization would like dates published here next month, call Ann Bulger.)

## Home Improvement Center

The Home Improvement Center will open this month at the St. Anthony Park Drive-In Bank. Information will be available on home improvements and remodeling, as well as financing. Arla Savage and Mary Warpeha will staff the Center on Saturday mornings. If you have questions or comments, or need literature or information on contractors, call Mary Warpeha, 644-6990.

## New Association Members

The St. Anthony Park Association welcomes the following new members: Tom and Leslie Frost, Mary Walker Sjowall, Tom and Ginner Ruddy, Charles and Mary Kay McJilton, Winston and Elizabeth Close, E. Virgil and Verona Larson, Thomas and Alice Ressler. If you would like to see your name in this space next month, please send in the membership application recently received in the mail, with your check for \$12 individual dues, or \$15 family membership to Membership Committee, St. Anthony Park Association, P.O. 80062, Como Station, St. Paul 55108.

## Board Meeting on August 7

The St. Anthony Park Association Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 7, at the home of Peter and Martha Jordan, 1506 Chelmsford. All members are urged to be present.



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# Do New Homes Complement Park?

by Nancy Haley

The District 12 Plan lists, "Wide spacing between most single-family homes" as one of the assets of St. Anthony Park. Housing style also strengthens the character of the neighborhood. "The architectural styles of buildings, particularly of single-family homes, strongly affect the community's desirability as a place to live. Most district homes were built before 1930, with the newest housing being mostly apartments. There are numerous outstanding examples of particular styles and several well-preserved structures dating from the 1880's," according to the St. Anthony District 12 Plan developed in 1978 by the District 12 Community Council.

This summer new single family residences are being built on lots that were originally attached to older homes. When the homes were sold, the adjoining lots were sold separately for future development. This infill development has been a source of discussion and controversy.

"I have had several calls on the building presently taking place," says Ann Copeland, president of the St. Anthony Park Association. "People are not so much concerned that the lots are being filled in, but how they are being filled."

rehabilitation. In addition, housing costs are increasing so rapidly that many people cannot afford available housing. These pressures account in part for the present infill building in St. Anthony Park.

"Housing is in tight supply in the city," says Jim Bellus, planning administrator for St. Paul. "One solution will be infill housing, but there are potential problems. How do you insure compatible design? Often we see one story ramblers that detract from the visual quality of the neighborhood. Unfortunately not a lot can be done to control that presently. Zoning is one possibility, but there are just no requirements that say the houses must be a certain height, for example. It is a problem, but there are not any good answers."

One way the city is trying to see that housing is compatible with the existing neighborhood is through sponsoring an urban house competition. Grants were awarded to selected developers who would build demonstration housing that was selected for its neighborhood compatibility. "We hope to establish that new housing could be built that is reasonably priced, on a small lot, with a design compatible to the neighborhood," says Bill Sanders in the St. Paul Department of Planning and Economic Development.

"Most neighborhoods called for some special housing designs and we weren't getting these," says Sanders, citing reasons for the competition. "We felt we needed more than designs. We had to see them built."

If the trend for living closer to the city, downtown and in older neighborhoods continues, there will be increased demand for lots. "The goal to utilize the lots efficiently and retain the appeal of the neighborhood is a good concept," says Sanders. "If we can maintain the character of the neighborhoods and have a good housing unit, it's something to work toward."

In spite of housing demands, very little land is available for new housing in St. Anthony Park. One parcel of open land has recently been developed into town houses by Charles Knudsen, realtor and Park resident. "There's a real need for housing where there is no maintenance," says Knudsen. The town houses on Brewster and Fifield will meet this demand as well as fulfill the recommendation by the District 12 Council for development of low density housing in that location.



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Presently, the St. Anthony Park Association has not taken an official position on land infill; however, since it is an element of concern in the community, infill development will be dealt with at the August board meeting. "There's an open feeling to the Park and residents are concerned about losing that," says Copeland. "If the lots are going to be built on, the building should be compatible with the lot and the neighborhood. The Board did oppose the duplex planned at Raymond and Knapp because of the lot size. It was not adequate for the size of the house."

Building on available lots within the city is influenced by the Development Framework Plan of the Metropolitan Council. The plan calls for programs to channel growth and fiscal resources into existing areas with public services. "The basic theory is that the resources and allocation of funds should be given in the present urban service area," says Todd Lefko, Park resident and member of the Metropolitan Council. "Other than the fact that our policies are to encourage infill, places for infill and policies controlling infill should be decided by the cities."

Pressures toward infill are further increased by housing needs. Throughout St. Paul there is a housing problem. There are not enough units to meet the demand. Because much of the housing is more than 50 years old, many units need

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These recently built townhouses on Brewster and Fifield will provide maintenance free living for six families. Photos by Nancy Haley.

new homes. The reason for the sales is primarily economic. The most cash can be realized by selling a house and land separately. According to Knudsen, the average lot sells for \$20,000 and the average size is 50 feet wide. "Nobody wants to see the lot sold separately," says Knudsen, "and nobody wants to buy the land and let it stand vacant."

Knudsen does not think that the infill development is really changing the character of the Park. "The average house here is nice. People love the charm and character of St. Anthony Park. I am concerned about the development of the Park just like anybody else."

Knudsen points out that the present infill developments are entirely within the present zon-

ing requirements. "As long as the land meets the zoning requirements, the minimum city requirements, a person is free to build on the land without asking for permission or approval," says Knudsen.

"We saw infill in urban renewal areas," says Bellus. "Now more stable neighborhoods are starting to experience it. It may be a trend."

As a result of housing demands, St. Paul is preparing a Housing Policy Plan for distribution in the fall. Presently there are no plans for including criteria for infill housing. According to Bellus, infill housing has not currently been identified as a major problem. However, Bellus does encourage neighborhoods to discuss housing needs through the district planning process.



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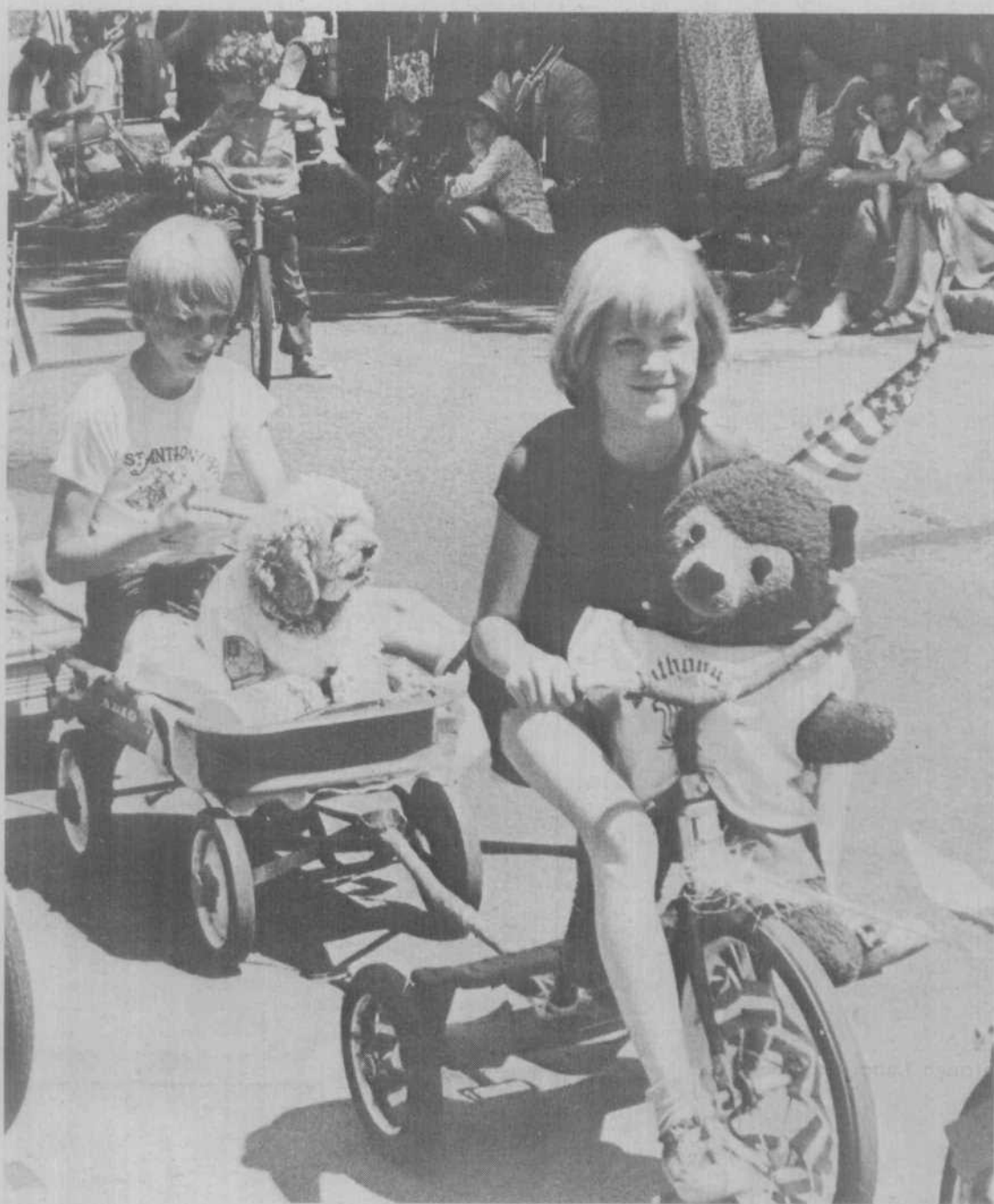


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# DeBoer Races & Wins

By John Magnuson

Dave DeBoer lead a record 125 runners in the distance runs on the Fourth of July. Dave won the open 4 mile event in a course record time of 20:46. He passed second place finisher Dan Sparkman on the long Como Ave. hill in the fourth mile and ended up with a :07 sec. margin of victory.

Other winners in the 4 mile event were Julie Johnson, women's division; Chuck McJilton and Bev Pearson in the Master's Division. Two mile winners were as follows: Dave Lutz and Betsy Kreuter

in the 15 and under division and Bev Lindsey and Tom Stack in the joggers 2 mile. The Frances Bulbulian Family won the 1st place Family Trophy.

Inside sources learned that Tony Silverman (former Park resident) is planning on seeking the presidency in 1980. Mr. Silverman's claims President Carter does not do enough to promote running and health. Tony will form a party of runners and joggers and get this nation back on its feet. He is also looking for a beautiful blond (female) to be his running mate.

# Frost Adds to State Fair History

By Ken Giannini

A train depot, switch tower, caboose and carnival railroad coach obviously have much in common. At the Minnesota State Fair, however, they are wonderfully unique since the quartet forms a complex that houses the State Fair History Museum. Located in Heritage Square, the State Fair's early American theme area, the museum will be open daily during the 1979 exposition, Aug. 23 through Labor Day, Sept. 3.



The free exhibit was created in 1976 as a Bicentennial project and currently houses over 200 artifacts representing every phase of the State Fair. Featured at the museum this year will be three vehicles that raced on the Grandstand track in the past. An Offenhauser sprint car and a motorcycle driven on the track at State Fairs in the 50's and 60's will be displayed with a record-holding snowmobile piloted by Roxanne Speinke in 1976's World Series of Snowmobiling, an off-season event at the fairgrounds.

Curator of the State Fair History Museum is Gale Frost, 66, a resident of St. Anthony Park. In his 58 years of association with the fair, Frost has witnessed much of the history he displays in the exhibit.

Frost began his involvement with the State Fair in 1921, at the age of eight, mixing lemonade in his father's Grandstand concession booth. His father, Harry Frost, was later named the first superintendent of the space rental department and went on to be elected as a life member of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society and a member of the State Fair Hall of Fame. He also co-authored *Minnesota State Fair: A History and Heritage of 100 Years.*

While the popularity of some exhibits demands that they remain the same, Frost makes frequent changes to keep fairgoers interested from year to year. "We try to highlight the people involved in the fair," says Frost, "because it is the people who make the fair go."

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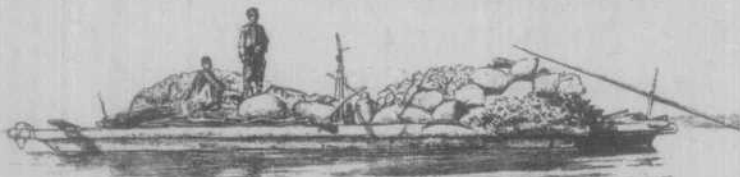


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The impact of television will be studied in the *Television Action Project*. Surveys will determine attitudes of teenagers toward television. Students will work with Channel 5 KSTP TV to help produce a program called "Steamroller."

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*Project* will allow students to work with artists from COM-PAS to complete a variety of projects to beautify their school.

Through *Community Information Service* students will learn to make speeches to community groups about Murray's program. They will also do a photo exhibit about activities at the school.

*Peer Counseling* will let students learn to think through their own problems and be exposed to the resources available in the community. Attempts will be made to bring family units closer together.

Through *Computer Math Program* students will learn to program several types of computers, study possible applications, and develop related skills.

Students will be reading and discussing books which have been included in the *Great Books* program.

On *Citizenship Action Project* students will work with local elected officials to help bring about solutions to community problems. Several community leaders have already agreed to work with the young people on this.

Through *Youth Tutoring* Youth students will be trained to help younger students who need and want their assistance. The National Commission on Resources for Youth in New York City will provide materials for this.

This magnet program does not require specialized staff or expensive equipment, but introduces new techniques and courses for existing faculty to put into action. The Murray administration and faculty are enthusiastic about the new junior high. For further information on the magnet school, call Murray Junior High, 645-9474.

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During its annual meeting Tuesday at which the Board customarily elects new officers, it could not reach agreement on a new chairperson.

When William Magnuson and Emery Barrette were nominated for the chair, the vote was tied at 3-3. The second vote had Rosilyn Carroll and Barrette nominated, and the vote was again 3-3.

Board member Eleanor Weber is traveling in Russia and was not present to break the tie.

When the Board failed to reach agreement, it voted to delay the election of chair and other Board officers until all seven Board members are present. The next meeting of the Board is 5:30 p.m., July 24 in the school district headquarters at 360 Colborne St.



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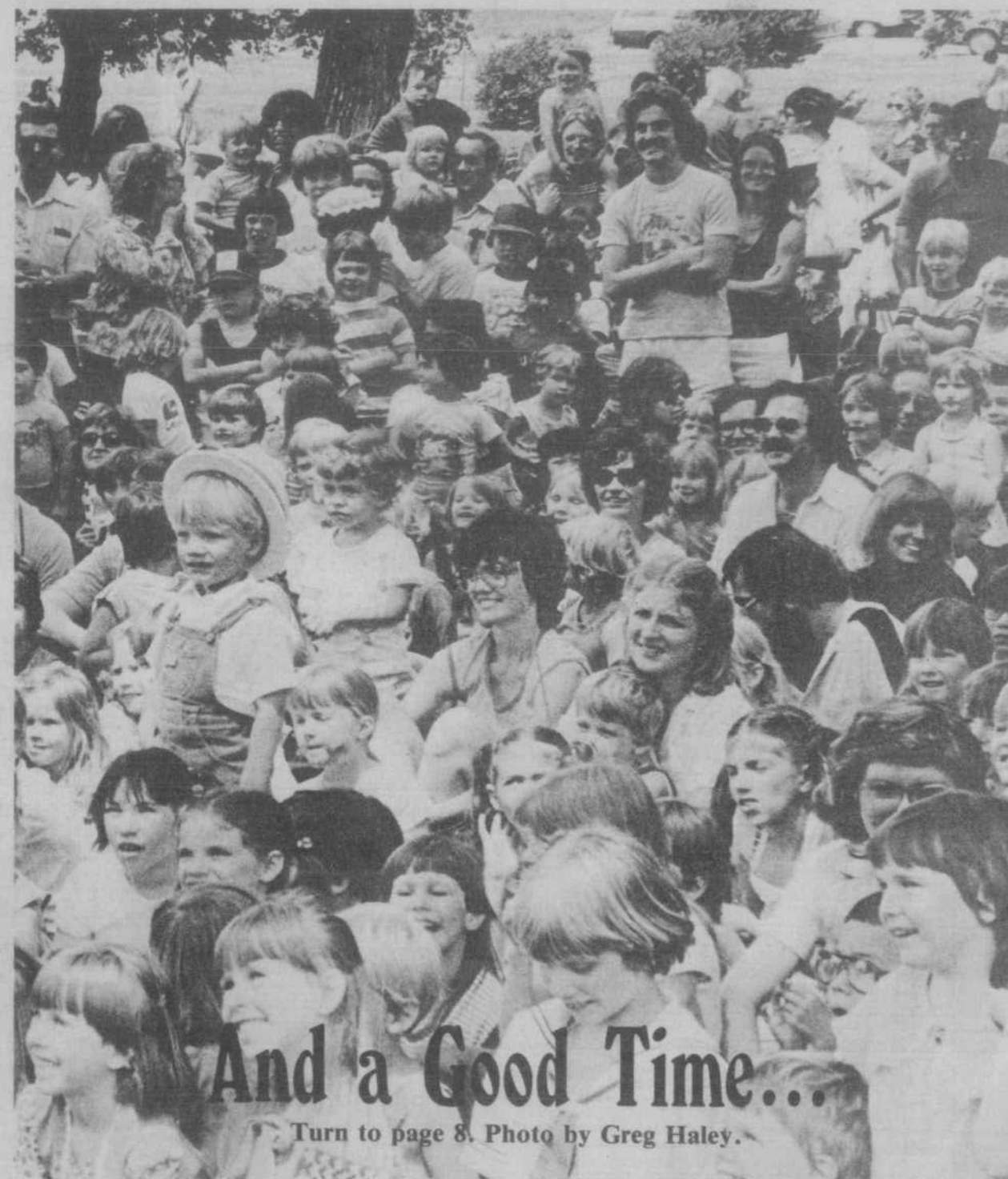
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