Federation to Sell Home for Blind

By Mollie Hoben

On Eustis Avenue just north of the Como-Eustis bus stop, backed up against highway 280, sits a two-story brown brick building with a slightly run-down look to it. Most St. Anthony Park residents hardly notice the place.

Yet in this unassuming building a human drama has been played out which reflects the difficulty and conflict that accompanies society's changing attitudes about handicapped people.

The building is the Minnesota Home for the Blind. Built in 1929, it was a bustling residential and social center for blind people for decades. But by September 11 it will be empty and the 13 blind people who were living in it will have been dispersed to various new living arrangements around the Twin Cities.

The owner of the home, the Minnesota Federation of the Blind, voted in July to sell the building and four acres of land, and plans to use the proceeds to "do the things we're organized to do: advocacy and public education and information," according to Joyce Scanlan, MFB president.

Housing discrimination is no longer a problem for blind people, Scanlan asserts, although it was when the home was built. "The home is a remnant of former times, when blind people weren't accepted in the community." The problem blind people face now is employment discrimination and inadequate public information about blindness, she claims.

The property is estimated to be worth half a million dollars. One potential buyer is Group Health, which has held the first option on the property for several years.

Acc. to general manager Murray J. McKay, Group Health has submitted a proposal to MFB for consideration, but has not made a decision yet whether to exercise its option.

"We are wrestling with the question of whether to build another office building at this time," McKay said. "There are a lot of unsettled issues." Since taking the option on the MFB property, Group Health has purchased part of Rose Hill nursery.

When MFB's decision to sell was made in July, the population of the home was 13 people and had been declining for some time. The building can accommodate 30 residents.

Most of the last 13 residents are elderly, and this has disturbed some people. Arnie Delger, pharmacist at Miller's drugstore who has known many of the home's residents over the years, is one person concerned about the old people's future.

The sociological reasons for closing the home may be right," he says, "but I know the old people will feel lost, and it will be very hard for them.

Another person concerned about the impact of the closing on the residents is Archie Erickson, chairman of the Save Our Home Committee. Erickson, who is blind and lives in Minneapolis, has been active in supporting the home since 1930. He believes the closing is a traumatic experience for the 13 people. They can't find anything comparable to what they get there.

Erickson, a member of MFB for 30 years, does not agree with the Federation's plans for using the proceeds of the sale. "These are constructive programs. The goals have been part of MFB's program for years."

But he disagrees that there is no need for the home. "There has been a diminishing need for a certain class of visually handicapped people who are less independent, there will always be a need."

MFB's decision to sell reflects a generation gap among members, Erickson believes, with "the young sprouts, in their 20's, 30's, and 40's" most strongly supporting the decision. "They don't understand - they'll never get old, you know.

Scanlan feels the organization has been sensitive to the needs of the residents. "We recognize that the residents wanted to continue living there and counted on the organization for that to happen. It has been difficult for us."

"But our responsibility is to the broader blind community."

The future of the home has been a philosophical controversy within the Federation since 1990, Scanlan points out.

MFB has been working with the residents to help in relocation. Scanlan says, "It looks as if it is working out okay for each one."

Alice Giliard, a spry gray haired woman, has lived at the home since 1971. "I wish it could stay open," she said, "but they say they can't get enough people to live here."

She likes the neighborhood, attends St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, and wants to stay in the area. One day in mid-August she walked in Linea Home and came back with an application form in her hand. "I hope they'll accept me," she said.

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Cable TV: A Neighborhood Issue

By Dave Shippee

Cable TV, a booming, but unfamiliar industry in some parts of the country, already reaches about one-fifth of the national television audience and will soon be available for mass media fans in St. Anthony Park.

The St. Paul City Council is in the midst of selecting a cable franchise to build and operate a cable system for the capital city.

Cable TV, originally called Community Antenna TV (C.A.T.V.) functions the same way as the five-channel TV most St. Paulites have in their homes today, but it receives a signal by cable instead of the small antenna on top of the house or television set. The cables are strung from utility poles or buried. They connect TV's to a huge dishlike antenna, called an earth station, which receives broadcast signals from national TV networks and transmits them over the microwave dish or cable.

"Cable TV systems can transmit a clear picture to all rural and urban areas even of obstacles like mountain ranges or tall buildings. It eliminates frequent adjustment of the "rabbit ears" or coaxial links, which often provide only the means of reception between the viewer and Monday night football."

In the next three or four months, the St. Paul City Council will decide which one of seven cable TV franchises will operate the cable system in the city for the next fifteen years. The council received the applications on August 1 more than a year after some of the franchises began the applications process.

The 50 copies of each application - a single set of the seven proposals takes up about six feet of shelf space - have been distributed to each council member, Mayor George Latimer, and the city attorney. The remaining copies have been sent to the city librarians for public access.

The St. Anthony Park branch has a complete set to be used as reference material.

A set of proposals has also been sent to the Minnesota Cable Television Information Center, a private consulting firm from Washington D.C. The council hired to evaluate cable requirements for St. Paul and the franchise bids."

A lot of work has already been completed on the cable issue, although probably the toughest job, making the final decision, is pending in the City Council. A citizens' committee spent six months learning the cable TV needs of St. Paul before the council received its recommendations.

A number of public hearings were held to inform residents about cable.

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More Parking in Park

By Mollie Hoben

Construction of an additional parking lot for H. B. Fuller employees on the land just north of Fuller's present lot on Carter Avenue appears assured.

Twelve of Fuller's fourteen neighbors within 100 feet of the proposed lot have assented to its construction; city zoning regulations require that Fuller obtain from at least two-thirds of these neighbors.

In addition, the District 12 Physical Committee has approved the proposal and will send a letter of support to the zoning commission.

The St. Anthony Park Association Board decided neither to endorse nor oppose the plan.

According to Joe McNally, manager of corporate services, Fuller has been negotiating with neighbors for 3 months to describe the planned parking lot and how it will affect the area.

Entrance to the lot will be the same as for the current lot and the alley will remain as is. The primary impact, according to McNally, will be "free up on-street parking." around the company, Fuller is trying to acquire insufficient parking space for employees and visitors, who often must park on the street.

The new lot will accommodate 15 compact or subcompact sized cars. It will be landscaped, with timber retaining walls and the oak trees on the lot will remain.

Fuller had considered a parking lot for the same spot about 10 years ago but encountered opposition from neighbors because the land would have had to be rezoned from residential to business. Now, however, zoning regulations will allow rezoning from residential to parking.

The rezoning process will take about 60 days and construction could possibly begin in November, McNally reports.

When asked about Fuller's announced plans to move to a site in Vadnais Heights in several years, McNally noted that the company envisions using the Como Avenue building even after the move.
City to Plant 801 Trees

There will be 801 new trees in north St. Anthony Park by next spring. City replanting of boulevards is scheduled for this fall except for trees such as pin oaks that must be planted in spring. South St. Anthony was replanted in 1977 and is not scheduled again until 1982.

City Arborist Ed Olsen and Assistant Superintendent of Parks Lloyd Burkholder explained the City’s Street Tree Master Plan at the District 12 Council meeting on August 13. Several citizens, in addition to Council members, were present to ask questions.

The planting plan was prepared after the extensive loss of elms in the City pointed out the folly of only having one kind of street trees. The plan diversified species within each neighborhood to prevent any future total loss of trees. Types of trees for an area were selected according to character of the area, building height, boulevard width, traffic patterns, and whether street is residential, commercial or industrial.

Streets will be replanted whether they lost one tree or many. Available spaces for planting were identified in mid-July. Trees marked at that time for removal were included as available spaces.

Location of Replacements

Just because a tree was removed does not guarantee that another will be planted. Some elms were too close to each other. Also the City will not plant a tree under a private tree that overhangs the boulevard. Distance requirements from gas and water mains are higher than in earlier years. Plantings must be ten feet from water and five feet from gas mains. Average spacing will be about 40 feet apart.

All planting is done by private contractors with a one year guarantee on the trees. Trees that die after that time will not be replaced until the next general planting in the area. General plantings are now 5 years apart but that will decrease as tree removal needs lessen.

Residents who want to plant their own boulevard trees must obtain a City permit. This specifies planting location and type of tree. Plantings other than trees can be done within reason, if there are no complaints from neighbors and if liability factor is considered.

One Species Per Block

Residents unhappy with the tree selected for their streets questioned why only one type of tree is concentrated on a block. The main reason is maintenance. Certain species can be treated by oil sprays whereas others cannot. Pruning and cutting costs are also considered. The more complex the species plan, the higher the maintenance cost.

The plan strives for approximately 10-15 per cent of one type of tree in a neighborhood. Ten different species are planned for north St. Anthony Park. Red maples will be placed on boulevards to indicate where trees will be planted. Residents can call the Parks Department at 488-7291 to find out where trees will be planted on their boulevards. The 1980-81 plantings will mean a total of 2516 boulevard trees in north St. Anthony Park.

In response to a protest over choosing gingko trees for planting, Olsen said that use of this tree in Minnesota is new. It is a low maintenance tree with no known insect or disease problems. Burkholder termed it an “ugly duckling” as a young tree, but it grows to a 45-50 foot height with a rounded shape and leaves that are thick enough to provide shade. Leaves turn yellow in the fall.

Amendments to the Plan

Burkholder said that the Forestry Division is willing to meet with a majority of residents on a block who want to discuss having another type of tree than the one in the plan. Reasons must be better than just simple dislike of the type chosen, however. Acceptable reasons, for example, would be wrong soil type, boulevard width too small, or too many of that species in the neighborhood.

Any suggested change must be compatible with the rest of the plan.

Concerned residents asked if trees already planted that are not of the species identified for that block will be removed. Olsen said the Forestry Division will look at the tree and if it is growing well and is an appropriate type, it will be left. Otherwise the residence is asked to remove it to private property.

The Street Tree Master Plan was drawn up by the landscape design section of the Forestry Division. Designers consulted with the Minnesota Nurseryman’s Association, the University of Minnesota, and with other cities. The State Grant Applications Department made a planting plan mandatory for those cities applying for funds to replace trees lost to the Dutch Elm epidemic.

The St. Paul plan was sent to neighborhood groups with a letter asking for comments in 1978. It was also presented at a series of meetings. The most attending any of the public meetings was three people, and very few written comments were received, Burkholder said.

In reply to a question, Burkholder said that City Council did not approve the plan because it was felt that special expertise of trees was needed. It was submitted to the Minnesota Nurseryman’s Association and the Shade Tree Advisory Board for their comments and criticism. The plan was then accepted by the Mayor. The plan is administered by the Forestry Division of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

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If variety is truly the spice of life, this should prove to be a very spicy year for St. Anthony Park resident Gretchen Kreuter. Along with assuming a new position as assistant to the president of St. Catherine’s College and heading the St. Anthony Park Arts Forum, Kreuter will be enjoying the publication of her new book, *Running the Twin Cities*.

*Running the Twin Cities* is essentially a directory of routes in Minneapolis and St. Paul that are interesting and accessible to runners. However, it is much more than a directory. Each route is beautifully described, rated on difficulty, distance and conditions, and accompanied by a map.

A former professor with a Ph.D. in history, Kreuter includes interesting historic aspects of neighborhoods and particular buildings and homes in many of her descriptions. The book also reviews several vegetarian restaurants located on these running routes that offer particularly "fresh and well-prepared food."

"The book was a lot of fun to write," Kreuter said. "My whole family got involved in the process in some way. Betsy, my 15-year-old daughter, measured routes on her bicycle and ate at vegetarian restaurants with me, probably a few more than she wanted to. My husband of 18 and a cyclist, played the skeptic and provided special incentive to complete the task, she added.

Kreuter runs about five times a week, and more when training for a marathon. She commented, "This June, Kent and I ran the Grandma’s Marathon in Duluth. It was Kent’s first. In the spring and summer, I try to run several smaller races each month."

In May, Kreuter became the president of the St. Anthony Park Arts Forum. She hopes this role will involve her in the affairs of the community and that she can in turn help involve more people in the workings and offerings of the Arts Forum.

Plans for the Arts Forum this year include continuing programming such as the music, dance and mime series, and poetry readings. (See page 9.) Kreuter’s own priority is long-range planning for the Forum, seeking ways to bring new leaders and participants into the program and draw more people of all types into the audiences. Through these means, she hopes to help make the Arts Forum a permanent part of the St. Anthony Park community.

"One of the dreams of the program is to someday have a center where these events can take place."

Kreuter added: "Currently, most Forum performances are held at the Congregational United Church of Christ and the St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church.

The new Arts Forum president welcomes any suggestions or ideas. SAP residents may have for this year’s activities. She stresses that there are many ways to get involved in each performance, such as planning, fundraising and publicity.

Permit Hearings Set
By Mollie Hoben

A public hearing on the proposed residential parking permit ordinance that will affect St. Anthony Park residents who live north of Como Avenue has been scheduled for September 5, 8:30 a.m. at the Department of Public Works.

DPW planners have been designing the one-year trial program since April, at the request of the City Council. Although the planners have asked for and received neighborhood advice, the final proposal contains several features that go against the neighborhood’s suggestions.

The plan calls for a $5 permit fee and transferable visitor permits which also will cost $5. Special events permits will necessitate a trip to city hall to purchase permits and gain approval from the DPW Director. Parking will be banned on Cleveland Avenue, but the traffic light at Cleveland and Carter Avenues requested by community members is not included.

Information about the proposed parking program and about the public hearing may be obtained from the District 12 office (646-8884).

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Elizabeth Frances Cummings Qualey, 79, died July 20, 1980, of cancer, at Minneapolis General Hospital, North Conway, New Hampshire. She is survived by her husband, Professor Carlton C. Qualey, and two children, John Carlton (Hingham, Mass.) and Mary Elizabeth (Chicago), and two grandchildren. Professor Qualey will return in late August to St. Paul where he is a Research Fellow at the Minnesota Historical Society.

The community of St. Anthony Park and children from many communities will long remember Elizabeth Qualey’s gift of self—her love of learning, her sense of the responsibility of the individual and her touch of genuine kindness. A resident of St. Anthony Park for the past 10 years, Mrs. Qualey and her husband came to St. Paul following Professor Qualey’s retirement as professor of history at Carleton College, Northfield.

During these 10 years Mrs. Qualey became a familiar figure walking from her home on Carter Avenue to the St. Anthony Park Elementary School or to the bus which took her to the Behavioral Learning Center. She was a volunteer. “Elizabeth was always able to make herself useful in an environment where there was a constant need for extra help,” said her husband. “She was a wonderful friend,” said Marietta Spencer, Director of Post-Legal Adoption Counseling at the Children’s Home Society.

Genevieve Nelson, principal of the St. Anthony Park Elementary School from 1965 - 1977, observed, “Mrs. Qualey reached out with enthusiasm, optimism, friendship and love to students, colleagues and neighbors. She had that rare combination of dignity and humility and the desire to make life richer and happier for other people.”

Mrs. Qualey was a super person, so easy to get along with, and strong,” said Jerry Hines, custodian at the school. “I used to offer her ride home when it was 10 below. She always declined.”

“She was just like a grandmother to the children,” said Betty Theander and Lori Swartz, teachers at the school.

“Elizabeth was always there,” Faith Fretheim of the PTSA commented. “She frequently brought her own materials. When we asked her to serve on a committee to find more volunteers, she declined, saying, ‘It’s the children who need me, not a committee.’”

“It was her delightful good humor and wonderful, witty quips and quotations which endeared her to me,” said a friend. On a frigid mid-winter day, having made it to the elementary school, Mrs. Nelson and she would joke in recollection of the New York Times description of the postman, “For neither snow nor rain nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds.”

In the spring of 1980 the PTSA honored Elizabeth Qualey for her years of volunteer work with children. Knowing she wanted nothing for herself, the PTSA asked what gift to the school she would like in her honor. “I would like some ‘substantial’ books for the library,” she replied. “books that children with dirty hands would be free to use!”

In response to a letter of appreciation which the school sent to Mrs. Qualey, she wrote back, “Thank you for your very kind letter. I confess that I was both amazed by being honored at the school, because I have been doing what I really like to do. I am not a trained tutor, and perhaps the only real help I can do is to hope the children feel that I like them and believe they can succeed and that, if they will let me help them, between us we can accomplish something.”

Mrs. Qualey was a graduate of Radcliffe College and of the Simmons Social Work School. Her closest friend of Radcliffe days wrote that Elizabeth, without any consciousness of it, was born teacher. She identified so easily with those with whom she worked.

An ardent conservationist and lover of birds, Mrs. Qualey was also an active participant in the League of Women Voters.

Marietta Spencer came to know Mrs. Qualey well as, over the years, she organized and catalogued the Children’s Home Society’s library. “I think the milieu from which Elizabeth stemmed provided a climate

Theater Has Punch

By Tom Johnson

It’s a quarter to seven and people are already filtering into North Hall for a meeting. North Hall, partially hidden by the Student Center and Bailey Hall, is one of the University of Minnesota’s older buildings. Its maze-like hallways separated the boys from the girls. The building was the St. Paul campus dormitory. Since 1961, North Hall has been the home of the Punchinello Players, a theatre group.

In 1914, a play called Back to the Farm toured the state for the purpose of promoting the University’s extension classes. Thus a student organization was born, the Agricultural Dramatic Club. Mercifully, the rather long-winded name was changed to the Punchinello Players in 1923. Friends of the organization have shortened the name further to “Punch.” That’s progress.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7:30, but it never does. Miles Carstensen, President, is late as usual. Old stories are told and laughed about. A group of new members sit huddled together and feel a bit lost. But in a few months, if they decide to stay, they’ll be the ones telling the old stories. Punchinello is not the easiest group to join. You have to relentlessly be yourself.

How do you describe an organization like the Punchinello Players? It’s a social group, almost as well known for its parties as its plays. I call it a student-comedy theatre, community meaning both Plymouth, Minnesota, and also St. Anthony Park. The membership is not limited to students. All kinds of people will spend a few hours of work to a production.

Eventually, the small-talk evaporates into a whisper and the meeting begins. Parliamentary procedure is not strictly followed. The minutes from the last meeting are read by the secretary; the treasurer reports how far the group is from bankruptcy. There is laughter throughout, the laughter of people who don’t take themselves seriously. But don’t be mistaken. They take their theatre very seriously.

The discussion centers on the current production and this year’s play is a musical. The group consists of three major productions. This year, Punchinello is presenting the musical Pal Joey in November; A Hathful of Rain in February, and Hot & Balance in May. There are also special projects, like the Renaissance Festival and an annual children’s show for the St. Anthony Park Arts Festival. The Punchinello Players have become more sophisticated. It’s

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The Things You Buy Last Longer

by Catherine Madison

Photo and Story

The sights, sounds and smells of the bustling marketplace at 10th Street and Jackson make it almost worth getting up in the cool, sunny Saturday morning.

"Just smell this," says Terri Seppala, offering a handful of fresh basil. She's right; it smells delicious.

Seppala, 2125 Dowsell Avenue, and Jean Ruotsinio, 2131 Dowsell Avenue, have been regular patrons of the St. Paul Farmer's Market for the past 3 years. They go about 7:00 a.m. and usually spend about an hour and a half.

"We do a quick run-through to get the feel of what's there, then go back and do some comparison shopping," Ruotsinio said. "You always have to ask the prices, but the farmers all seem so comfortably honest, like they really want you to be happy. They're also very knowledgeable and can give you cooking suggestions, for instance."

To an amateur's eye at least. Seppala and Ruotsinio are pros. They weigh, sniff and inspect the produce and ask the questions. They have come to know some of the personalities here, and they know who will let you have a sample. Ruotsinio says they have shopped other farmer's but like this one because it is a little smaller and more personalable.

"I usually spend about $20 a week, which is about six bags' worth. I try to buy one vegetable each week that I've never prepared before, such as kohlrabi or different kinds of cabbages. A lot of these things I've seen in frozen or canned form, but I've never seen them fresh," she said.

Ruotsinio freezes and dehydrates produce for use throughout the year. She does not have a garden this year. By the time she buys seeds and fertilizer, takes the time to till, plant, water, weed and pick and faces the prospect of a crop failure, she said, a person can do just as well by shopping the farmer's market.

The market, which just celebrated its 79th anniversary with a free corn feed, music and rally of sorts, is located on four acres of City-owned land. Developers have recently proposed that the space be used for a hotel, a type of hotel designed for guests who plan to stay for longer periods than in conventional hotels.

That idea has met some opposition from the St. Paul Growers' Association, which sponsors the market, and other regular patrons. As a result, a "Save the Market Coalition" has been organized and is currently recruiting members and small donations. According to the Association spokesman, Bill Hein, the Coalition has about 1200 to 1400 members. They are also working on a petition requesting a referendum, he said.

"We have taken a stand telling the City that we would not negotiate further until the procedure they initiated is stopped and until they agree to consider this site as one of the options," Hein said. "I am hopeful that Mayor Latimer can meet the conditions we've laid out."

Hein said that plans including food-oriented shops and limited housing have been drawn for the east end of the present property in hopes that the development could be done in conjunction with the market but without losing the market's "flavor." People are also working on a marketing strategy, he said.

Concern about moving the market location has also been expressed by the District 12 Council.
Volunteers Needed at Murray

By Marge Christensen

As its doors open for the second year as a magnet school, Murray Junior High School expects an enrollment increase of nearly 35% over 1979-80. Over 500 students will converge on the campus from many areas of St. Paul - to take advantage of Murray's especially attractive magnet program geared to develop and challenge each student to the fullest.

An important ingredient in that challenge is community involvement. Again this year, an active volunteer recruitment effort will be part of the Murray program. Murray parents, friends and members of the community (which is now considered to be all of St. Paul) are urged to call the school and offer their talents and whatever time they can devote to provide an extra measure of enrichment for Murray students. The phone number is 645-9474. Ask for Marge Christensen, Volunteer Coordinator.

Some activities for which community volunteer help will be especially valuable again this year are the following:

- Individual tutoring in reading and math.
- Speaking to a class on a hobby, travel, foreign culture.

PER, PERL, PERF, PERC

What is PER? The initials stand for Planning, Evaluating, and Reporting, and the process has been maintained as a positive addition to assess progress in the schools in Minnesota. PER is done at three levels: the local school, where it is called PERI; the area high school, where all feeder school committees come together in a group known as PERF; and the center of the city, where all high school committees join together in PERC. All three levels committees set goals and then measure progress toward those goals.

At Murray Magnet Junior High School, the focus of the PERI committee has been to maintain a school where maximum growth occurs for all students, not only the high-achievers. There is need to hear concerns of parents of average and below-average children, to get views from all across the spectrum in order to have good balance in the curriculum. Any community resident wishing to serve on the PERI committee this year are asked to call the school, 645-9474.

Vern Kroenig, Murray principal, will report on last year's PERI committee's goals at the Community Involvement Meeting at the school on Thursday, Sept. 11, at 7:30 p.m. All residents are invited.

Traditional Crafts

In the month of September the staff at the Gibbs Farm Museum in Falcon Heights will be demonstrating some practical approaches to some old problems.

Traditional soap-making methods will be demonstrated September 7 at the farm, with staff members boiling fat, adding lye and water to the fat until it curdles, then molding the solution into cakes. It won't look like commercial soap, but it will clean just as well as the supermarket version.

Here in 1980, what historic craft could be practical and economical, plus have romantic possibilities? Traditional candle-dipping in the craft, and it will be demonstrated at the Gibbs Farm on September 14. Visitors can enjoy the aroma of beeswax as it melts and watch the staff members hand-dip almost 100 14-inch tapers at a time.

On September 21 the world of herbs will be explored as staff members investigate the use of medicin and folk medicines, and also aphrodisiacs. They will also demonstrate two energy-efficient do-it-yourself methods for drying herbs.

A food storage program entitled "From Ground to Shell" will be featured at the farm on September 28. The staff will demonstrate old-fashioned food storing and drying methods, and examine modern advancements in the food storage process. Vegetables such as squash, potatoes, carrots, zucchini, and beets will be preserved for the winter months ahead.

The farm, a National Historic Site and one of the Smithsonian Institution's Living Farm Museums, is located a mile south on Highway 36 on Cleveland Avenue. Hours are Sundays from noon until four. Admission is $1.50 for adults; $1.25 for senior citizens; $1 for teenagers; and 50c for children. Contact Kurt Leichtle at 646-8629 for further information.
School Starts September 2

There are two New Year's Days every year, January 1 and the first day of school. This new school year means a change in the family schedule and the beginning of many organizations, such as PTSA, Scouts, Camp Fire, church groups, and community clubs. It means new clothes, school supplies, name tags on jackets and boots, and tuition payments.

While some of the college crowd has a little more summer vacation left, public school students in St. Paul return to school on Tuesday, Sept. 2. Because of new state legislation requiring all school days to be full days, all students start with a full schedule on the first day.

St. Anthony Park Elementary:

According to Dr. Charles Weldin, principal of St. Anthony Park Elementary School, approximately 430 students will be enrolled at the grade school this year. Classes will begin at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, September 2 for grades one through eight. Kindergarteners and their parents will confer individually with their teachers on September 2 and will begin regular classes on September 4.

In the spring Dr. Weldin had been notified that his staff would be cut by one and a half positions this fall. During the summer, however, one of these positions was re-instated, and there is now a possibility that another half position will also be re-instated if more kindergarteners register in the first or second week of school.

The only addition to the elementary school staff is a new social worker, Bill Larson, who has worked for the St. Paul schools for seven years. He replaces Bernice Herron, who retired last spring.

Beginning August 25, the entire staff will attend a week of teacher workshops which include several city-wide curriculum meetings designed to prepare teachers for classroom work.

St. Anthony Park PTSA officers for this year are: President Anne Gregersen, Vice-President Betty Bush, Secretary Katherine Eklund, and Treasurer Mary Ann Walker. The first PTSA board meeting will be September 11, at 7:30 on the school.

Future events include a curriculum night for the intermediate teachers and a take-place in September so that parents and teachers can discuss that team's trip to Isabella in October.

October 21 is the date tentatively chosen for the annual school open house when parents and friends can meet the teachers and visit their children's classrooms.

More school-related news will be sent home to each family via the school envelope on the first day of school.

Murray Magnet Junior High:

All 7th, 8th, and 9th-graders will report on Tuesday, September 2, from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Most of the students pre-registered for classes in the spring, but there will still be the opportunity to change classes. Bus schedules will be mailed to students' homes. New students will be helped with registration and orientation.

Como Park Senior High
Senior high students in 10th, 11th, and 12th grades will also have a full day on Tuesday, September 2, from 7:55 a.m. to 2:25 p.m. Orientation letters, including bus schedules, will be mailed before school begins. Students will be assigned to classes according to pre-registration last spring, but may be able to make some changes.

Enrollment is expected to be close to that of last year, 1340 students. Opening of school at Como will go more smoothly than last year, when the school began its first year as a senior high. Construction was not finished, and many classes were held in makeshift quarters.

PTSA meetings at Como are not scheduled yet, but volunteers to help with PTSA are needed. Anyone interested is asked to call Denis Dailey, 644-3606. Officers for the coming year are: President, Denis Dailey; First Vice President, John Brodrick; Second Vice President, Bette Stier; Secretary, Donna McIntosh; Treasurer, Tom Foster; Auditor, Douglas Ward. Positions are open for Membership Chair, Publicity Chair, Program Chair, and Hospitality Chair.

PTSA Notes
By Ann Bulger

Faith Fretheim is the new president of the St. Paul PTSA Council. Other local officers are Lois Anderson, third vice president; and Janet Quale, editor of the newsletter.

The Council desperately needs used clothing for their Clothing Center at Jefferson School. Last year, 1000 children received clothes from the center, and the need will be greater this year with the arrival of many Southeast Asians. Clothes are needed for all ages, from babies through grandparents. Donations may be brought to the St. Anthony Park Elementary School or to the Fretheim's home, 2256 Hendon.
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Baker School, Now Baker Court

By Catherine Madison

Baker School is now Baker Court, and its developers have met one of the first in a long series of deadlines in the complicated and confusing development process.

Tentative developers Ankeny, Kell & Associates had 120 days in which to produce a commitment letter for commercial development financing for the project. With about 25 percent of the leasing space spoken for, the developers have also begun the two-month-long application process for tax-exempt status.

“We hired a leasing firm, the Towle Real Estate Company, and they have several interesting prospects, including a pharmacy with a gift shop,” Ron Ankeny told a District 12 Council committee in an update presentation. Surveys and appraisals have been done, he said, the rezoning proceeding, and the vacation of Ellis Street is underway, and lawyers are working on a relationship agreement to take on equity partners, he said.

“The St. Paul school system plans to vacate the building sometime in October and we hope to begin construction about November 1,” he said. “We could begin demolition now but it would be pretty risky before we actually have the deed to the building.”

Ankeny & Kell are in the process of signing about $125,000 worth of contracts to begin work on the project. They have hired a construction management firm as well as someone to look into the possibility of placing the school on the National Historic Register.

“There is a very good possibility it may be accepted, although it will be an uphill battle. It has been turned down once before,” Ankeny said.

The design has undergone some refinements. The parking lot was expanded to provide room for 105 cars instead of the proposed 60, and current plans call for a glass-front elevator in the central atrium of the building.

Although the appraisals have shown the area can handle restaurant and office business very well, there is some question about the feasibility of retail businesses.

“So far the pharmacy is the only one that has really expressed a strong interest,” Ankeny said. “It will take some time for people to gain confidence in this particular building. Hopefully in a year more retail business will be attracted.”

As far as the housing portion of the project is concerned, the tandem financing the developers had hoped to obtain is no longer available. Although conventional financing is as feasible as any at the moment, Ankeny said, the City has agreed to help find other sources. It is possible that construction could begin on one of the townhouses clusters this fall, he said.
Music in the Park Plans Second Harmonious Year

By Mary Jane Munson

The St. Paul Chamber Orchestra String Quartet will initiate the second Music in the Park concert series sponsored by COM- PAS: Intersection, Molly La Berg, director, and by the St. Anthony Park Arts Forum, on October 5, 1980 at 4 p.m. at St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, Commonwealth Avenue and Chelmsford Street, will again house this series. Quartet members include: from left to right, Peter Howard, SPCC principal cellist; Tamas Strasser, SPCC Co-Principal viola; Ronald Tecco, SPCC cello; and Robert Zelnick, SPCC violinist.

Six concerts are scheduled in the 1980 series. On Sunday, November 16, 4 p.m., Geland, will perform. Geland, an immigrant to the United States from the Soviet Union since last December, is a former faculty member at the Leningrad Conservatory of Music who has played with all major orchestras in the Soviet Union.

On Sunday, January 11, Fireworks, a group of four players will perform a variety of baroque music featuring Keith Hooper, oboist, a grandson of Mrs. Stanley Hooper, 1501 Raymond Avenue, longtime St. Anthony Park resident. Violinist Karthchen Winkler will accompany Debussy. Berman in the 4th concert of the series. Winkler, a Hamline University faculty member, was this year’s winner of the Carl Nielsen International Violin Competition held in Odense, Denmark.

The St. Paul Wind Quintet will be featured on Sunday, April 30, at 4 p.m. The group is made up of five principal chair wind instructors from the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra and Julie

Gym Instruction

The St. Anthony Park Gymnastics Club will offer instruction in gymnastics for boys and girls ages 3–16. Classes, organized in cooperation with St. Paul Community Education, will begin this week of September 13 at St. Anthony Park Community School, 2180 Knapp St. and Groveland Park Elementary School, 2045 St. Clair Ave.

Children with limited or no gymnastics experience may elect to register for classes which meet once or twice a week. Additional fees are charged to those at higher skill levels. Class size is limited and advanced registration is necessary.

Further information and registration materials can be obtained by calling Joanne Laird, 644-6433 (St. Anthony Park); Gail Gschan, 690-1450 (Groveland); Esther Kellogg, 609-6006; or Karen Ustad, 488-9885.


The final concert on Friday, May 15, 8 p.m. The Dale Warden-Sanders, a professional mixed choral ensemble will provide the final concert of the series. The Warden-Sanders membership is composed of auditioned voices from the larger metropolitan area and its repertoire ranges from Bach to Stravinsky to folk music.

Julie Himmelstrup arranged this series, and tickets are available at Micawbers Bookstore, the Bibelot Shop and from St. Anthony Park Community Association.

September, 1980

St. Anthony Park Association

Edited by Jack Sperbeck, 645-4600

Cable Communications

The September meeting will be a good chance to get your questions on cable communications answered. W.D. (Chari) Donaldson, executive director of the Minnesota Cable Communications Board and a member of our association, will be one of the speakers. The program will emphasize background of the cable communications issues, according to program chairperson Gary Wynn. These include cooperative vs. private ownership and community control.

Membership Directories

Membership chairperson Cathy Furay has a neat idea for replacing your old dog-eared membership directory. New directories will be published in October. All you have to do to get one is pay your dues promptly. Dues are $15 for single members and $30 for families.

If you’ve been thinking of joining the association but haven’t gotten around to it, now’s a good time. It’s the beginning of a new program year. Send your check to the St. Anthony Park Association. P.O. Box 80062, Como Station, St. Paul, MN 55108. For more information on memberships call Cathy Furay at 647-1869.

New Meeting Place, Childcare Service

There are some new “twists” to our monthly meetings, according to arrangements chairperson Barb Rowe. Starting with the September 9 meeting at 6 p.m. the dinner and program will be held in the St. Anthony Park Methodist Church. Nursery service for children up to four years old will be available in the Methodist church. However, child care service for children up to four years old will be at the St. Anthony Park Elementary School, through the Latch Key program. Parents with children in both age groups will want to drop older children off at the school first.

Home Energy Program

Preliminary approval has been received for a $2,000 grant from Northwestern National Bank for a community home energy conservation program. The program involves selecting a limited number of blocks and trying to get all homes up to acceptable energy conservation standards. Volunteers are needed. Call Steve Wellington at 647-4632.

Linnea Carnival

The Linnea Home, 2040 Como Avenue, is planning a carnival Saturday, September 20, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. It’s a family activity with lots of games for kids and adults. An “old time band” will play from 1-3 p.m. There will also be an old time fiddler, poppers, clowns and an appearance by the White Bear Lake Women’s Clown Club. There will be a cake walk, fortune telling, fish ponds and about 10 other games.

Steak Fry A Bargain!

The August Steak Fry at $3.25 had to be the best meal buy in town. Over 150 attended. Thanks go to Brad Rinehart and his committee for the great organizing job. Support from Speedy’s Market, Mattress’s and Como-Smelling Rental helped keep costs down. Twin Cities recording artist Michael Mooree performed.

Board Meeting Sept. 2

The September board meeting will be held Tuesday, Sept. 2 at Gary Wynn’s home, 1530 Brantien, at 7:30 p.m.

News from Langford

About 350 boys and girls participated in the summer sports program at Langford Park. “We were very pleased with the uniforms. We got some very good looking uniforms at a very nominal price,” says Ginny Ruddy, who coordinated the baseball program and is active in the Langford Athletic Booster Club. Husband Tom Ruddy is athletics and recreation chairperson for the St. Anthony Park Association.

Summer sports included soccer, softball, baseball, kickball, T-ball and near ball. Here’s a brief summary of each sport:

• Soccer enrollment was 130 boys and girls from kindergarten through grade eight. The coordinator was Mary Anne Peterson.

• About 100 girls from grades 4 through 12 played softball. Coordinators were Faith Fretheim and Peg Hovick. The 12th grade team coached by Roy Magnuson won the municipal class AA league championship.

• About 25 boys and girls from grade four through nine played baseball.

• About 25 boys and girls up to grade three played kickball and T-ball. Judy Spierbeck and Judy Probst were the T-ball coordinators.

• Near ball had 20 participants and was coordinated by Maggie McGregor.

• We appreciate the efforts of coordinators, coaches, parents and the Langford Park staff. It couldn’t have happened without you!
Park People on Parade

Story and Photos by Dave Shippee

Every weekday morning Jesse’s Dear Dotsun, Daisy May’s, Jesse’s King Tut, Jesse’s Dotsue and Cleopatra Nefertiti drag their master up and down the streets of St. Anthony Park west of Como Avenue.

Bob Schoffner and his five pedigreed dalmations rise early and by 6:30 they begin their routine walk. The dogs, sniffing their way down the street, are each on the end of a long leash and Schoffner, tilting slightly backwards, is in control.

He said he walks the dogs in the middle of the street because the strong scents are less frequent than on the sidewalk. Nevertheless the spotted canines tend to wind separate paths no matter where they walk, usually with noses to the ground.

Schoffner greets other early risers along his route with a friendly “Good morning”, “How are you?” or “Do you want a dog?” while the team in front of him greet their dogs with an energetic howl or bark.

“I might cut it tomorrow or wait ‘til it turns grey and falls out.”

Kristin Dragseth hasn’t decided how much longer she can tolerate it, but it looks as though her 11-year-old head of hair will survive another month of uninhibited growth.

Dragseth has never had a haircut. She admitted her golden locks have been “trimmed a little bit” in her lifetime, but only to get rid of a few split ends.

She said brushing 40½ inches of hair sometimes slows her down in the morning, but “there’s an accessory person” around when snarls develop— Penny Dragseth, her mom.

Kristin said there are other disadvantages to having hair two-thirds her height. Once she got the whole fluffy shock wound up in an electric mixer. Fortunately the mixer motor couldn’t handle the load and stopped before her head was too close to the mixing bowl. She can never get away with losing a hair or two in a cake, “they always know it’s mine.”

When times get rough she has considered “braiding it and cutting it off and putting it in a drawer” forever.

But Kristin does not over look the advantages to having some of the longest hair around. Once she subdued an overly aggressive boy at school by a solid whip with her braid.

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A St. Anthony Park runner advocates exercise for vitality.

Thomas Stack was the oldest runner to finish the four mile Park marathon on the Fourth of July. He is 57-years-old, but looks spry and ageless, early one Saturday morning in his jogging shorts, running shoes and T-shirt.

Stack called himself "the non-dedicated runner. I'm not training for any great marathon. I'm just trying to stay in decent health." He runs three or four miles a week, never more than a mile at a time.

Stack said it is necessary to exercise on a "consistent basis," but it doesn't really matter how one goes about it. He said he could achieve the same physical condition by "pushing a wheelbarrow uphill or chopping wood."

Stack, a Park resident for 22 years, said he likes the neighborhood races because "everybody gets to run and you can walk home."

He has mixed feelings about running as a sport. "Sometimes the scenery is interesting or the people are interesting—sometimes it's a bore."

Stack would rather play racket ball, tennis, or downhill ski, when he can afford it, but he continues to run because it is good, "low-cost exercise."

He considers himself an active person who is "heading into the youth of old age." Stack has a philosophy which keeps him physically active—"when your body wears out where are you going to live."

A young St. Anthony Park athlete has made sports a full-time job.

Tim Coury was the youngest participant to finish the 4-mile Independence Day Race in the Park. He is 10-years-old. "Sometimes when there's a race, I run," he explained, but "running is not the greatest sport."

Coury bases his opinion on experience. He is an American Athletics Union swimmer. Coury plays hockey, soccer, football, baseball and floor hockey at Langford Park. He is a downhill and cross-country skier.

He recently returned from a 490-mile bicycle trip, which involved between 50 and 120 miles of peddling a day.

He said downhill skiing was his favorite sport, but biking and running were probably the best ways to stay in shape.

Coury said he likes other sports better than running "because I'm better at them."
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Falcon Heights

By Florence Chambers

Composed of five volunteer members and one City Council liaison, the Recreation Committee plans and helps to organize recreational activities for people of all ages throughout the year. The committee also sponsors family festivities such as the Sunday Jazz Concert in July and last summer's ice cream social. Tennis, soccer, volleyball, ice skating—all are available depending on the season, and are publicized in this space, in the Falcon Heights Newsletter and at City Hall. Plenty of opportunities to keep fit, whatever your age and interest!

In the near future, the Recreation and Park Development Committee will merge into one. Our Park Development Committee has worked hard for several years in developing Falcon Woods—the city's park at Rosecliff and Cleveland. Thanks to their generous dedication of time and hard work, the ball fields, skating rinks, warming house and bleachers have been installed for our use and enjoyment, and the trees planted which beautify the walking paths. Under construction at present is a new picnic shelter which will further enhance this lovely neighborhood park. Special recognition should go to the 4-H Club which has annually undertaken to plant and maintain the flower beds in the park.

Beginning again in September, the Falconeers Senior Citizen Club will meet at the Falcon Heights Church, Garden and Holland, on the second and fourth Mondays at 1:30 p.m. All senior citizens are welcome. For more information, call City Hall, 644-5050.

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HOME FOR BLIND: Continued from page 1

Bill Laack lived at the home for
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hood whose pianos he tunes.
Laack moved into an apartment
in Minneapolis last week, and
although he has never lived in
his own, he is looking forward to
it. "This old dog's ready to learn
new tricks," he declared.

Laack, an MFB member, feels
the decision to close the home
was handled fairly. "We kept it
going as long as we could, but
the population kept dropping.
It's the end of an era."

MFB's plans for using the mon-
ey from the sale of the home
meet with Laack's approval. "I
believe very strongly in MFB.
We need a civil rights organi-
sation for the blind."

Laack says, "I won't forget this
neighborhood for a long time." He
plans to continue tuning pianos here.

The Save Our Home Committee
is trying to obtain a restraining
order to stop MFB from selling.
But Erickson is not optimistic. "I
suppose it is the inevitable end
of an era. I know one is supposed
to accept change—but changes
are not always improvements."

The home is "a concept we sim-
ply can't adhere to these days," Scanlan
argues. "We say blind
people should be accepted as
part of the community. It's not
right for us who claim this to be
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"The blind people have been part
of this community for a long
time," Delger reminisces. "We'll
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'I Realize I Love Dancing'

By Mollie Hohen

When Jerry Pearson was a seventh grader at Murray he attended a modern dance performance in the school auditorium. "I thought it was dreary—electronic music, drab costumes, melodramatic. I left after the first dance.

The irony of Pearson’s reaction became clear several years later when he had become a professional modern dancer himself. "In seventh grade I walked out of a concert I would later perform with that same troupe in that very theater—in fact, I performed that same dance. But then I saw it through different eyes and I liked it."

Dance was clearly not a valued activity in the Murray Junior High set—especially for boys. "I distinctly remember when a friend of mine, whose sister was taking a dance class in the basement of the library, said he thought he would like to do it too. Our reaction was, 'Why would you want to do a thing like that? We put a lot of pressure on him. He never mentioned it again."

Yet at Murray in the mid-'60s Pearson and a few close friends began to choose a different path than most of the students, reading philosophy and beat poetry, "getting a different head."

Pearson bought himself a phonograph and began to listen to classical music. He was enthralled. "I felt I had discovered music. It was a real adventure—the whole world I didn't know.

He also began to attend dance concerts. "The Twin Cities were providing a good dance scene at the time. I saw Murray Louis, Nikolais ballet. I found he liked it. "But I was under the impression that you should have started when you were 8 to become a dancer."

On a double date in his junior year, Pearson was more interested in the other girl, a dancer from Highland Park High School named Sara, than in his own date. "I said, 'Oh, a dancer, what a good idea!' He bemoaned the fact that he was too old to learn dance. "Nonsense," she replied.

The next day he signed up for dance classes with the Hauer company, where Sara was dancing. Soon he was attending classes daily. "I loved it," he remembers. "I found a group of people I liked and I moved into another culture."

"Music and performing arts were definitely my world. When the door opened I stepped through there was no question whether I should."

Within a year, while still a senior at Murray, he was dancing professionally with the Hauer company. At the same time he and Sara began dancing together. A year later they began choreographing together. Two more years and they were married.

After dancing for six years in the Twin Cities, the Pearsons moved to New York. "I have a lot of roots in St. Paul and Minneapolis, and I often think about coming back here, but New York is definitely where we're from now," Pearson says. "New York is the center for dance."

The Pearsons danced with the Murray Louis company for 6 years. In 1978 they formed their own dance company, "If you think of yourself as an independent professional, at a certain stage in your career you have to act on it—to say, yes, this is true, I am independent."

"Looking back," Pearson says, "My mind set, the way I think about the world and see it, have definitely always been oriented to dance."

"And the older I get the more I realize I love dancing."
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According to Ann Copeland, District 12 Community Organizer, Metro Public Interest Cable task force (M.P.I.C.), a twin city based committee, and the district councils serve as unofficial advisory bodies to the City Council.

Copeland said the City Council is making a major decision for St. Paul that will affect individual communities greatly. She said that community access cable is "the thing that excites me about cable TV." Copeland said cable could increase resident involvement in neighborhood events and conserve on transportation costs. It could provide access for community members to important neighborhood meetings and "a linkage between the different district councils" through cable casting. Individuals could put on their own programs for the benefit of the community and the schools could use cable TV for educational purposes.

Cable TV has the capacity to carry more channels than the local broadcast systems. Many cable companies offer between 35 and 50 channels of service. Some channels specialize in one subject such as children's entertainment or adult education while others interconnect with the local network, public and independent stations. Minnesota state law requires all metropolitan cable systems to be interconnected, thus expanding the programming possibilities even further.

Some cable systems have the capacity to receive signals from individual television sets. Security and fire alarms can be installed in homes. When a fire breaks out or a burglar breaks in a signal is sent, within seconds, to a local fire or police station.

This bi-directional capability has opened new doors for the cable industry. Medical tele-diagnosis, a patient is placed in an audio/visual contact with a physician, and teleconferencing, two parties see and hear each other via satellite connection, are already used on a small scale.

Opinion polling by cable is currently in use in Columbus, Ohio. A consumer is exposed to new products by a television demonstration and he can voice his opinion of the product by pressing buttons on attached to his TV console.

Copeland said that too few people are involved in the cable issue. "People are aware of cable, they're not concerned. This is my concern. I think a major decision is going to be made without adequate input from the citizens."

She said that one can find information about cable TV at the libraries. For more information or to voice an opinion on the issue one can come to the District 12 Community Council office, 2380 Hampden Ave., contact Joanne Showalter's office, St. Paul City Hall, or write a letter to the mayor. Showalter is the president of the City Council and chairs the Energy, Utilities, and Environment Committee.
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