Finally... Permit Parking

by Laurie Nelson

The permit parking plan for North St. Anthony Park that has been under discussion and study for several years was recommended for passage with two amendments at a St. Paul City Council meeting Oct. 16. The ordinance to restrict parking on streets in the area to one hour on weekdays except by special permit was then officially passed a week later.

The first amendment states that the part of the plan dealing with parking and traffic on Cleveland Avenue near the University of Minnesota be separated from the basic permit plan and considered on its own merits.

The City Council asked the Department of Public Works to study the Cleveland Avenue problem for 60 days and make a recommendation at that time. One solution suggested at the Oct. 16 meeting was widening the avenue.

The other amendment to the parking permit plan exempts North St. Anthony Park churches from having to obtain permits for people parking on the streets for more than an hour while attending special church functions such as funerals and weddings.

The amendments to the plan reflect the sentiments of many St. Anthony Park residents who favor the plan. People attending a District 12 Community Council meeting on Oct. 8 reiterated their support of the parking permit system in the Cleveland Avenue issue was excluded.

The Department of Public Works plans to begin posting parking signs and issuing permits in 30 days.

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Veterans Day Dinner

St. Anthony Park American Legion Post 34 will hold its 61st annual Veterans Day dinner on Friday, Nov. 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, Conrath and Larch Place.

This year Post 34 will recognize Park resident Charles Flinn, who has been active in community affairs and was appointed Ramsey County District Judge seven months ago. Flinn will receive a Certificate of Appreciation and will speak briefly about his first months on the judicial bench.

The public is invited to the dinner, but reservations are requested. Tickets may be obtained from Jack Pearson, 264-3127, or Bob Hahnen, 644-0404; they are also available at the Lutheran Church office.

Murray Volunteers

Volunteers are needed at Murray Magnet Junior High School to work with individual students on reading skills under the direction of the reading instructor.

Volunteers would contribute one hour per week, either from 8:15-9:10 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (with a 25-minute lunch break). Interested persons should call the Volunteer Coordinator at Murray (645-9474).

Homeowner's Manual

Copies of the "St. Anthony Park Homeowner's Manual," prepared by the Home Improvement Center, have been distributed free to homes in St. Anthony Park. The manual contains contacting tips, information on how to evaluate a home's condition, remodeling tips, and facts about energy conservation, tax credit benefits and selling a home. Residents who did not receive a free copy may contact Mary Warpeta, 644-6900.

Kasota Wetlands Future in Doubt

Story and Photos by Steve Drubay

The preservation of St. Anthony Park's last remaining wetland, including a large pond, on the southwest side of the 280 Kasota interchange, is presently in the hands of the bureaucracy.

The first word that the marsh's outlook might be shaky, came from the office of state Sen. Neil Dieterich, in early January. The land parcel had been placed on the list of tax delinquent properties and was scheduled to have been sold Jan. 25.

District 12 Council promptly contacted the state and alerted them to the dangers a sale might present, which included drainage and development. The wetland was removed from the sale block and placed under state trust for a period of two years, during which time its value is to be assessed. The trust expires in December, 1981.

In March, District 12 approved, with reservations, the proposal of M & M Development Company to build two office/warehouse buildings on a 4.5 acre parcel west of the Minnesota Transportation Railway track, which is a property line for the land state holds in trust. Partially included on the M & M property is a second pond which the company has agreed preserve.

Presently the water and shoreline of this pond are littered with old rail ties, stumps, and debris which have accumulated through the years. M & M and the owner, Burlington Northern Railway, have agreed, with encouragement from the Department of Public Works, to clean the pond up without changing the shoreline.

Both ponds are part of a network of storm sewer holding ponds supervised by the DPW. A sewer engineer from the department explained that there are multiple problems with drainage in the area. The ponds are connected by culverts, most of which are plugged or set at the wrong depth to be effective in channeling the run-off. There have been recurring back-ups on Dowell Avenue as a result.

One particular culvert, a steel tube between the two ponds, is three to four feet too high to allow drainage from the east pond to the west. If the tube is lowered, the water level in the

Ducks are a common sight in the marsh.
Energy Park Demands Creative Thinking

We cannot accept the tradeoffs that our communities must make unless this project is truly innovative, reflects the needs and concerns of our communities and is developed and planned for thoughtfully.

Council 46 Position Paper

Neighborhood concerns and time to evaluate proposals are two items stressed by Council 46 in its draft position paper on Energy Park. Representatives from District Councils 6, 7, 10, 11, and 12 will be reviewing the paper with their respective Councils during the next month. After this review, the paper will be revised and formally adopted by Council 46.

The Coalition of Districts composing Council 46 has been meeting since early May to review and comment on proposals for Energy Park. The position paper is designed to compile positions that the District Councils accept and that Council 46 will work to implement as it reviews the Energy Park components.

The Council believes full public participation is necessary for the success of the project and this includes the support and understanding of the neighborhoods affected. To further this, a packet of bibliographic materials has been placed in each library in the five districts. This packet is periodically updated by the Energy Park Management Team.

The Council 46 paper addresses the issues of land covenants, architecture and design, infrastructure, energy, off-site improvements, reinvestment funds, recreation, parking, housing, transportation, employment, and job creation. The complete 8-page document is available at the District 12 office for any resident to see.

Council 46 takes the position that Energy Park (EP) is an exciting project that demands innovative thinking and MUST be more than just another industrial park.

The paper deals with Housing at length. It asks for a density of 21-23 units per acre to be located in three locations—the Burlington Northern Pigg-Back trail site west of Snelling, the Midway Stadium site, and along Lexington Avenue.

The design should be energy-innovative but remain compatible with the surrounding neighborhoods. The housing mix should be 60% ownership and 40% rental. Subsidy programs for both the owned and rented units are urged in order to provide housing for low and moderate income families. In addition, a limited equity cooperative is proposed for moderate income persons.

The EP Management Team has proposed closing Pierce Butler west of Snelling and rerouting traffic over the extensions of Kasota Avenue and Transfer Road. The Council 46 paper supports doing this and putting that land to public use. The Transportation section also deals with the problems of increased traffic generated by EP, particularly with regard to Front Street.

One item directly affecting District 12 deals with the increased noise level at the Kasota 280 interchange which will be above acceptable Environmental Quality Board standards. The position paper asks for noise abatement measures for this area.

The challenge of Energy Park is to come up with creative approaches to energy conservation that will work... There is a need for experimentation... that can proceed without the threat of projects being casually discarded on the basis of economic infeasibility.

Council 46 Position Paper

Council 46 states that the infrastructure—water, gas, sewer, electricity—should be planned so that it will not adversely affect the surrounding neighborhoods. Any future expansion of the system caused by the building of Energy Park must come from Port Authority industrial revenue bonds, not from the City's CIB funding.

Because the surrounding neighborhoods will be certainly affected by Energy Park, the paper urges that these areas share in the benefits by having access to a reinvestment fund to be administered by a non-profit Community Development Corporation. Funding would be from taxes generated by the new development, repayment of UDAG loans, royalties from the sale of information about the Energy Park, or donations from businesses.

The draft paper will be discussed by the District 12 Council at its November meeting, Wednesday, Nov. 12, 7 p.m., at the District Office, 2380 Hampden Ave.

Park residents rank boulevard leaves to the street and City crews picked them up for composting, October 20-25. The compost will be available to residents next spring. Photo by Gerald McKay.

Early Leaf Pickup

Several residents have called District 12 to ask why leaves were picked up so early this year. The District Council asked for this pickup as part of the Concentrated Services Delivery Week because it wanted to have a leaf composting project in our area. Since wind and weather do not operate on a schedule, many leaves have not fallen, but because pickup in this area had to be coordinated with pickup schedules in other parts of the city, we had to go ahead.

Group Trash Collection Contract

To date 43 households in District 12 have indicated interest in a group contract for trash collection. The District Council is willing to pursue this idea but needs approximately 50 percent of the households in the District to make it feasible. If you are interested, please call 646-8884.

You Are Needed!

A telephone number to call if you want to help with Meals on Wheels delivery is being offered from the October issue. Call 645-6439 and ask for Ann Mac Donald.

Nine people are needed each Wednesday at the Leisure Center which meets at the Methodist Church, Como & Hillside, to help with preparation and serving of lunch. One group works from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. If you can work an occasional shift call the Methodist Church office, 646-4859, and leave your name and telephone number.

Do You Know

Senior Citizens can make their needs and opinions known at a regional forum for the White House Conference on Aging on Friday, Nov. 17, at 3 p.m. This meeting in the Metropolitan Council Offices, 7th and Robert Streets, St. Paul, will gather ideas for the issues to be discussed at the White House Conference. Anyone needing a ride should call the District 12 Office at 646-8884.

Y.W.C.A., 65 E Kellogg Blvd., offers daycare for children 12 months to five years, Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Call 222-3741 for information.

DPW To Study Cleveland Avenue Traffic Problem

The December 10 meeting of the District Council will feature a discussion of the Department of Public Works study of Cleveland Avenue. City Council directed DPW to do the study as a result of neighborhood opposition to the banning of parking on Cleveland.

MIC driver union representatives argued for the parking ban because of the difficulty of turning onto the street, particularly in winter. One alternative to the parking ban is to widen the street. Other alternatives are cut-in parking spaces, and/or traffic signals.

Watch for details of the meeting in the December Bugle.

Blockworkers Deliver Flyers

Blockworkers in North and South St. Anthony Park delivered three publications to homeowners in District 12 the weekend of October 16-19. The District 12 Council thanks everyone who participated in getting this information out to the community.

One flyer described the schedule for the Concentrated Services Delivery Week and the other listed trees available for purchase at a discount. The Homeowners Manual was prepared by the Housing Services Committee of the St. Anthony Park Association.

If you did not receive this information, call 646-8884. There are some blocks that do not have blockworkers. If you would be willing to work with your neighbors in this way, please call the above number.
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Quilting: Old Art, New Shop

by Kaye Simonson

Stie Stein considers quilting an art form that allows people to design quilts that are both heirlooms and expressions of their creativity. "A lot of quilts are being made as wall hangings rather than as bedcovers," says Stein.

Stein, a St. Anthony Park resident, began quilting about four years ago. Her experience as a quilter was seen at the Jewish Community Center in St. Louis Park, where she and her family designed quilts that were an exhibit. Stein said she enjoyed that particular show because it required her to create non-traditional quilts. It gave her incentive to try different designs and variations.

Earlier this year two of Stein's friends began discussing the possibility of a quilt and batik shop, and the idea appealed to Stein. In October, Kaleidoscope Quilts and Fabric Arts, Inc. opened at 326 S. Snelling Ave. in St. Paul. Kaleidoscope is co-owned and operated by Stie, quilter Gene

vie Riey, and batik specialists Marit Lee Kueker.

The shop was opened to promote the fabric arts as a form of art. In addition to supplies for quilting and batiking, including fabric, patterns, books, dyeing materials and wax, Kaleidoscope displays and sells contemporary and traditional quilts, soft sculpture and batiks.

Classes are also offered which teach quilt making, batikting, and contemporary gilds and decoupage ideas. "Selling supplies and teaching classes is as enjoyable as making the merchandise and selling it," says Stein.

"The interest in quilting has steadily increased in the past few years," says Stein. Many clothing pieces as well as upholstery and other fabrics sold today are quilted.

"People are attracted to quilts," says Stein. "They bring out a lot of nostalgia as people remember Grandma and snuggling up under her homemade quilts. I like to see it growing like that. I think quilting will stay around a long time while other arts and crafts come and go."

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Editorial:

The two ponds at the foot of the Kasota 280 interchange make up the last remaining wetland in our neighborhood. They are refuge for waterfowl and small animals, as well as for city dwellers whose souls demand connection with the natural world. Ten years ago St. Anthony Park residents could walk through acres of wetland along Kasota and Latimer streets. Today these ponds are the only vestige of that pre-industrial time.

Now there is question as to whether this anachronism can continue to survive. One pond is already privately owned and in January, 1981, the city’s trusteeship of the other will end. City officials have said, that whether the pond remains unprotected or not will depend on how much fuss citizens make about it.

Cleveland Avenue is a both neighborhood street and the major thoroughfare for the St. Paul campus. Hundreds of buses and thousands of cars use the avenue every day. This traffic and parked cars on the St. Anthony Park side of the street impede the easy flow of traffic.

There are those who see this situation as frustrating at best and hazardous at worst, and believe changes must be made. Proposals have included a parking ban and widening the street. The decision-making process is well underway: most recently City Council has asked the Department of Public Works to study the feasibility of widening Cleveland and to report within 60 days.

The decisions that will be made about Cleveland Avenue and Kasota Pond will affect the lives of some SAP residents and the character of the whole neighborhood. Those decisions lie months in the future, but the opportunity to influence them is at hand.

The city says it wants to hear from this neighborhood about the pond. It might be less eager to hear from St. Anthony Park about Cleveland Avenue, but as the permit parking saga has demonstrated, City Council will listen if residents speak often enough.

One way to speak to the decision makers is through District 12 Community Council, which will consider the Cleveland Avenue issue at its December meeting and the pond in future months. Residents can also speak individually and through the neighborhood associations.

At a time when the national political system seems incapable of acknowledging citizens’ frustrations or responding to their concerns, issues such as Cleveland Avenue and Kasota come almost as a relief. They bring our attention back to our neighborhood, where what is decided matters and where our voices can have impact - if we choose to use them.

M.H.

In Praise of Elms

"That time of year thou must mends in me behold When yellow leaves, or none, or few, do hang Upon those boughs which shake against the cold. Bare unru’d chairs, where late the sweet birds sang."

by James Wesley Brogan

The screen porch where I do my writing in summer is cold this morning, cold enough to stiffen my fingers as the typewriter keyboard and remind me once again that the world will not stand still for me. Our projected high term like a juggler, now the yellows and the fahrenheit, is lower than the low we desired at midsummer. So it is one month ago, we were complaining about the heat and humpiness of the Anthony Park, and already we find ourselves missing it. Soon I’ll be complaining about snow and icy street corners and the world chill, but not from this unnecessary back porch. Because for six months a year the climate forbids it. I must move inside and do my typing at the dining room table.

As I look out my windows to the east toward Commonwealth Terrace, I notice that the leaves have not waited for the hard frost expected tonight to change into their autumn colors. Whereas in late August, during the rains, the greenery was so heavy and wet as to be almost oppressive, the leaves of the oaks and hickories have lightened this wall of vegetation both in color and density, causing it to seem thinner than last August. But as long as I need to protect me. The grass itself, though still lush from the late rains, disappears piece meal under an accelerating patching, of brown, of brown, of brown, of brown. Of course, we are set a long way from winter. Warm days will ease us through the rest of this month and into November. We know from experience that even January, which comes, will not last forever (it only seems like it will), but will lead us inevitably back to the sultry summers we love to complain about, its deathly white a season, too.

But not all of nature turns back every springtime. Certain forms of life including ourselves, and perhaps whole species, run out of time completely, and, in the end, I am thinking of the elms.

The trees I see out my back window are still fairly young, but they do not prosper. Their leaves in recent years, though green as usual, are only too obvious to the branches. Fingers which ought to be stretching outward toward the sun and fresh air instead turn wearing socks that don’t match.

In two days, this charming and perceptive child figured out that junior high is a time of intense negative self-definition. Every seventh and eighth grader can tell you what they’re not; few can tell you who they are.

During her three years in school, my little friend will grow eight inches or more and nearly double her weight. She will begin the difficult metamorphosis from child to adult, and she and her friends will do it in isolation in an institution that separates 12, 13 and 14-year-olds from the rest of society. It’s no wonder that junior high kids lose academic ground while learning to see learning as drudgery. It’s no wonder that these people, forced to be neither adults nor children, become confused.

If I had my way, I’d lock all the doors to junior highs and to middle schools. In fact, I’d keep seventh and eighth graders out of school altogether. I’d set up a VISITA program for 12 and 13-year-olds. I would tell those young people that are so important our society can’t afford to hold them away in one large day-care program. I’d set up their weekly schedules to allow time to help older folks, to work as assistants in elementary schools, to form neighborhood work forces shoveling snow and cleaning up parks. I’d have them painting buildings, working in the library and providing services necessary to the strength of their communities.

Then, after two years, I’d send them back to school ninth grade. By then, they might have an inkling of who they are and how important they are. And maybe, just maybe, they’d go through high school with the same love and excitement they had in elementary school. Maybe, if we let them belong to our society, they would keep their heroes and their dreams.

P.M.R.

Ban Junior High

A long time ago it occurred to me that parents and schoolboards should unite to ban junior high. This, however, is not a popular belief. Our Committee formed to discuss the reorganization of the St. Paul schools never even gave it a thought.

Two days after beginning seventh grade, my neighbor’s daughter came by in a slump. A slump is not days to see on a child whose weight 55 pounds is the same as her height - 55 inches. Just imagine a person 6 feet tall weighing 72 pounds. All summer she had worked forward to junior high. Now just two days into the year her hopes were dashed. In just two days she had gotten the scoop. Each of her teachers had told the seventh graders how there was no time for recess, no time for silly games after all, they weren’t children anymore. Soon they would be in high school and then in college and my, if they didn’t settle down and get serious.

In elementary school there was a place for everyone. The bright ones loved school so much they wrote "No more!" on their report cards, the units on country. Others could spend hours improving their debating skills as they argued the relative pros and cons of professional sports teams. Fourth, fifth, and sixth graders follow the major leagues like no other group of people around. I Even kids without academic potential belong - they’re the best in football or king of the hill. They’re the nicest; maybe they lead the class in some activity. In elementary school kids don’t question their importance. They have heroes and can list them without blinking an eye.

But in just two days of seventh grade, my little friend learned that girls should no longer hold hands, that boys cannot parade around, arm-in-arm, displaying their friendships. She learned that only social outcasts are seen

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P.M.R.

Bugle Dates for December Issue

Park Press Board meeting, Oct. 30, 6:30 p.m. Middletunta.
Staff meeting, Nov. 3, 6:30 p.m., District 12 office.
Advertising deadline, Nov. 12.
Copy deadline, Nov. 14.
News items should be sent to Bugle Editor, 2380 Hampden, St. Paul, 55114.
Inclusion in the Bugle will be determined by their newsworthiness and the space available. Materials may be edited or rewritten. Items for the Community Calendar should be submitted separately (see Calendar).

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Russian Pianist to Perform

by Mary Jane Munson

Yakov Gelfand, pianist who will perform at the Music in the Park series at St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ at 4 p.m. on Nov. 16 faces a middle crisis of the likes of which most Americans never experience. He and his wife, Lydia Rappoport, are Russian Jews, immigrants to this country since December 1976.

Both of them are highly educated, she as a musicologist, he as a performer. For the last 30 years he has been on the faculty of the Leningrad Conservatory Department of Piano, after having earned a certificate equivalent to Doctor of Music from that institution, and has performed solo recitals as well as appearing with all the major orchestras in the Soviet Union.

When their daughter, Eugenia, who is mathematically gifted, was ready to go to the university, the family knew she would not be able to go to the University of Leningrad, the top-ranking school for mathematics, because she was Jewish. Eugenia studied elementary school at a meteorological school, then emigrated to the United States last September. "Persecution of the Jews is not blunting, but it is there," Gelfand said.

Yakov Gelfand.

Shortly after her daughter emigrated, the head of the conservators told Gelfand that he would not be able to hire him the next year. Gelfand said that several of his colleagues had been forced to quit their jobs when their children emigrated to other countries. Not only did he and his wife lose their positions, but works they both accomplished in Russia were destroyed. Gelfand had done a dissertation onTempo Indications in Beethoven, and his wife had done a work on modern Polish composers.

Eugenia came to the U. of M. to study computer programming. Her parents followed her here and plan to stay despite the fact that she has married and moved to California. Rappoport works in the exhibitions department at the Minnesota Museum of Art. Gelfand is looking for a teaching position, while working 20 hours a week on the CETA program in the music department of the St. Paul public schools. He says, "It helps English, and everyone is very kind and understanding, and I enjoy the children, but it is not on my level."

He has had several opportunities to perform in the Twin Cities area: at Walker Art Center, the Janets Wallace Concert Hall, Macalester, the Cortile, Landmark Center, and most recently at the Thursday Series at Weyerhaeuser Concert Hall, Landmark Center.

His program Nov. 16 sponsored by COMPAS Intersection and the St. Anthony Park Arts Forum, will include works by Beethoven (the Moonlight Sonata), Tschaikowsky, Serabian, Rachmaninoff and Chopin. Single and season tickets, the latter at a reduction, are available at the Bibelot Shop and Mieawbers Books.

Leather Shop Moves Up

Ledertiva, Milton Square's leather shop, moved to a new home at 2250 5th Ave. in the courtyard. The store now occupies a larger space directly above its former location at 2250 5th Ave., in the courtyard. The store features leather items from various European countries, moved into the space vacated by Ledertiva.

The additional retail space was created by knocking out the walls in two former apartments and bringing the area up to commercial code.

"It was quite a transformation," said Ledertiva owner Mike Bies. "We're happy with the way it appears now. The showroom is almost one and a half times the size it was downstairs, and we have a great deal more storage and work space." He said he still plans to add a few more refinements before considering the remodeling finished.

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inward arithmetically, bunching the leaves in elegant patterns. The limbs themselves grow brittle and empty, littering the yard with their discard of bones.

Elm after elm grows sick, losing its rich cloak of leaves, shedding fingers and branches and arms, to reveal near the end of the telltale stains seeping down in the main stem, which announce a change more final than winter. Elm after elm, sentenced to death with a painted red ring, is cut down by the tree service, quick's chopped into pieces, and hauled away, leaving on our streets in St. Anthony Park, as on streets in other towns and cities throughout America, a pitiable row of stumps. And even the stumps will be taken away.

The trees will be replaced, it is true, and in 20 or 30 years our streets again will be lined with huge shade trees -- gingko's and locust and hackberry. But there will be no elms, and I, for one, consider their passing a sad indication that the world does not always change for the better, and that we, the saplings in this pageant of trees, may prove unworthy of our past.

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Isabella Time Once More

by Kathy Diedrich

Isabella, Isabella, day and night it was Isabella. From Oct. 8 to Oct. 10 the fifth and sixth grade students of St. Anthony Park School, their teachers, a nurse and a-warded parents explored the Environmental Learning Center at Isabella, Minn.

Three new buses provided real comfort and stretching room for the trip. School buses pulling trailers are a thing of the past, thanks to Richard Mumbieau, innovative and director of the Isabella expedition.

For the past two years, Mumbieau and Blanche Burroughs, another sixth grade teacher, have shared that responsibility of the trip. Most of the questions asked by the 127 students and 12 adults were answered by them.

At the learning center, the children settle in quickly. They have been preparing for Isabella in their classrooms. They will sleep in dormitories, share kitchen chores and eat in a cafeteria. Dishes for a family of five look pretty easy after facing the teats of 240. (Atton School sixth graders stayed at Isabella for the same week.)

The intern at the campus help with wall-climbing classes, assist in overnights, and teach canoeing. On Monday night the bonfire singing was led by intern Topher, short for Christopher. We heard, “Have You Ever Seen a Turtle?” and its verses all the way back to St. Paul.

Classes varied in many ways but water habitat and photography were headliners with the boys. In geology the pupils discussed local rocks and learned a game to play while discovering them at the rock pit. One class dyed yarn with sumac and beech and experimented with metal ingredients.

After a day of classes, the groups took hikes, worked on the climbing wall, played quiet games, or went to arts and crafts. The day culminated with a planned activity by the center. The Mad Herbalist (really Dennis Olson, the naturalist in charge) made an appearance. Slides helped us identify the plants that can be helpful and the plants that are poisonous.

The overnight camping experience was a favorite. Julie Allyn learned about building fires, cooking and cleaning up. Lincoln Evitan, their leader, made wolf calls and got an answer. Jill Rinehart was commended for her help when one of the campers became ill.

The talent show produced many surprises. The mysterious Grunt Professor told us what happens when you are in the woods too long. Teachers Grunter, Mumbieau, Huffman, Kettenring, Allyn, Land and Chally portrayed children.

Kathy Diedrich was an accompanying parent on the Isabella trip.

Bookmobile Stop

The St. Paul Library Bookmobile will stop at Seal High School every third Wednesday, beginning October 29 from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Any neighborhood resident may use the Bookmobile.

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Park Filmmaker Exposes Herbicide Agent Orange

Story and Photo by Nancy Haley

Millions of gallons of Agent Orange were sprayed on forests in Vietnam during the 60's and early 70's. Thousands of GIs came in contact with the herbicide which contained dioxin, a currently banned poison.

Jim Gambone, a St. Anthony Park resident, is producing a film about Agent Orange, using personal stories of veterans involved. "Vietnam veterans were exposed to a toxic herbicide. They're reporting a variety of medical effects that they attribute to that exposure, ranging from a simple skin rash to cancer that are normally found in older people, to birth defects in children," he says.

The film, a 28-minute documentary, is co-sponsored by Film in the Cities, University Ave., and the Minnesota Veterans Coalition. It began as the project of two classes at Film in the Cities, where Gambone is an instructor.

"It's rare that students are given an opportunity to see all the stages and all the difficulties and all the struggles that are involved from the formation of the concept through the completion of the film," says Gambone. The film rapidly expanded beyond the time and financial cap-

abilities of the class. Gambone led the drive for fundraising. "We were turned down by every major foundation in the Twin Cities and nationally. The only foundation that gave us support was the Otto Bremer foundation here in St. Paul," says Gambone. "I think it's because it's a controversial issue and because people don't want to deal with Vietnam. They want to put it behind them. They don't want to deal with the legacy of the war. It's easier to forget and look forward to the next war." Students solicited the help of film stars and Martin Sheen agreed to donate his time to act as narrator and story consultant. During the filming of Apocalypse Now, Sheen's brother, a Vietnam veteran, experienced headaches which he attributed to Agent Orange.

At a fundraiser for the film in October, Sheen said that his participation in the film was a way of paying his dues. He called upon the government and the public to recognize the problems of the Vietnam veterans. "They've got to listen to them to find out what those problems are and stop denying that they're only emotion. There's a very strong case that it is directly related to these herbicides, and the biggest problem is getting the government and the chemical companies to accept the responsibility for them."

Government recognition of the problem is also the goal of Reed Holt, a recent resident of St. Anthony Park who served as the film's technical consultant for the first two months.

Holt has been actively lobbying with the Vietnam Veterans Against the War for this recognition since 1977. "On Memorial Day, 1977, we had a defoliated wreath at the national cemetery at Ft. Snelling to pay our respects for the dead and vowed to fight like hell for the living," says Holt. "From that point to this..."
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‘I Called Myself Lady Altmeyer’

by Mollie Hoben

“There’s nothing about me that’s great,” says Hilda Altmeyer, who celebrated her 101st birthday on Sept. 2, and until recently lived alone in her “old fashioned” house on Charles Avenue.

When she talked with a visitor in the dining room of the Commonwealth Nursing Home where she now lives, Altmeyer was wearing a blue and white checkered dress that she made “not long ago.”

She showed it off a bit, “Notice how neat it’s made,” she said, pointing out the “neat stitching, the pockets on the back, good gingham material.” Until a few years ago she made all her own clothes, and she still sews “a little, but I don’t do fancy work anymore.”

Besides being a seamstress, Altmeyer was an enthusiastic amateur musician. Demonstrating how she used to play the piano she fingered an imaginary keyboard, making dramatic flourishes with her arms.

Smiling at herself she said, “I used to put on autoshow times, so I called myself Lady Altmeyer.” The name has stuck, and “now everybody calls me that.”

The nurses and aides at Commonwealth do call her Lady Altmeyer and affectionately describe her as a “character.” When asked if that is true, she grinned. “Sometimes I’m mean to the nurses here,” she said, strumming the air with her hand. “It makes something to talk about.”

As the name suggests, Altmeyer is a proud woman. “I was never poor,” she stated. “I made my own way, and helped out others when I could.”

After growing up in Red Wing and teaching in small towns for several years, she moved to St. Paul. “Red Wing was just a small burg, I had more opportunities in St. Paul.” Altmeyer worked in Weinberg’s Department store, and “I used to be on the go all the time.”

“Then I got married. I married this Altmeyer. He was a private detective. We moved several places and traveled a great deal.”

After her marriage, Altmeyer quit her job to keep house. “My husband didn’t believe in women working. I don’t think they should either.”

Yet when asked about “women’s liberation” Altmeyer said she agreed with it. “A woman wants a change too. Let women have a voice in politics—that would be a good thing. They should help to rule.”

For herself she says, “I don’t dabble in politics. You can’t be on both sides, so to keep out of trouble I stay out of politics.”

But Altmeyer does plan to vote in November, though she isn’t sure who to vote for. “Reagan is smarter than Carter, but Carter is a good man for the poor.”

Inflation and the economy worry Altmeyer. “I used to have a nest egg. But money has gotten too scarce. Commonwealth is a good place to live, she believes. “They’re very good to me and considerate, and it doesn’t cost too much.”

Still, “I would like to live in my own home, she said, explaining that she still owns her house, which is now vacant. “It’s an old fashioned home—it was built long ago. I didn’t sell it because my husband built it.”

“They say I’m too old to live alone. I guess I am. I’d like to get someone to live with me—someone who’s agreeable. Then maybe I could live in my house.”

Altmeyer’s only living relative is her nephew, who visits her daily. “He’s kind and good. He’s an old man too.”

Looking around the dining room, which was now filling with residents, Altmeyer said, “I never wanted to be this old. It’s no pleasure to be old. You can’t see, hear, can’t walk good. You feel you don’t belong.”

It was time for supper and the visitor prepared to leave. When Altmeyer was told that a photographer would be coming to take her picture for the newspaper, she giggled and smoothed back her hair. “Oh my, I’ll have to put my wig on.”

Then she stood up to go to her table. She stands straight. “When will the newspaper come out?” she asked. “I want to see this story.”

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Eyes and Ears for the Police

by Laurie Nelson

People driving around your neighborhood peering into homes and garages might be snoops. On the other hand, they might be NAOs, otherwise known as Neighborhood Assistance Officers.

Neighborhood Assistance Officers are citizens who help the St. Paul police by patrolling neighborhoods and informing residents about preventing burglaries and thefts. They are people who take an active role in crime prevention by volunteering a few hours of their time each month.

Kathy Sherbert is the NAO coordinator for police area A-1, which includes St. Anthony Park and several other neighborhoods. According to Sherbert, police in the A-1 area are assisted by nine NAO volunteers. None are from St. Anthony Park.

Sherbert was a member of the first class of NAOs trained by the St. Paul police four years ago. She lives in the Como Park neighborhood and has patrolled St. Anthony Park.

She said, “St. Anthony Park has always been a very quiet area in relation to crime. However, in recent months there have been many more burglaries and thefts than usual. We really need some NAOs from that area to help battle this crime.”

NAOs perform many functions for the police. One is to check homes of people who are out of town. NAOs drive through neighborhoods and report to the police anyone or anything that looks suspicious. They also assist with races and marathons, direct traffic at scheduled events or accidents, deliver first aid, and help search for lost children.

Gordy Berg, a Mauketa area NAO who set a city record by volunteering over 700 hours to the program last year, described how an NAO functions.

“…in many ways, we are eyes and ears for the police department. As much as we’d like to believe the police can be everywhere all the time, they can’t. NAOs can be in the neighborhoods more and watch for dangerous situations,” Berg said.

When asked if the job is ever dangerous, Berg said the only danger is if an NAO tries to be more than an NAO."...Our guideline is if we see something, report it and run," he added. Volunteers are unarmed and carry only a two-way radio and a flashlight.

Berg, who is the coordinator for his area, also said that volunteers warn residents of situations which invite trouble. Open garages, no exterior or interior lights brightening a home, and property left outside are often noticed by NAOs who are patrolling neighborhoods.

Berg said, “We give our warnings, but it seems you warn the same people and over and over and often they are the ones hit. This summer we got chatted on garage burglaries.”

The St. Paul police are always looking for more Neighborhood Assistance Officers, and hold training sessions for new ones once or twice a year, depending on the number who apply and are accepted. Volunteers receive about 100 hours of training and are asked to contribute 16 hours a month when training is completed. They are provided uniforms, two-way radios and reimbursement for gas.

Anyone interested in becoming an NAO should contact Officer Charles Zajac at 292-3525.
School Task Force Makes Recommendations

by Alice Hostickis and Richard Phillips

The Como Area School Reorganization Task Force has approved six recommendations to be presented to the Board of Education. The Task Force recommends that:

- Both Murray Junior High School and Washington Junior High School remain open;
- The M 1 2 Grade Organization in the Como area;
- The 10501 and 15501 programs be included in each city high school attendance area to enhance enrollments;
- Boundary changes between high school attendance areas be considered in order to create more equitable school populations;
- The shift of the ninth-grade to Como Senior High School be made only at a time when there is adequate staff and to guarantee a quality program;
- A public meeting be held before the decision to move ninth-grade students to Como Senior High School is finalized.

A steady decline in enrollments in the St. Paul schools has been projected. Actual enrollments have declined in many of the schools, most notably Como, by 31 percent, outpacing the shrinking amount of homes available to the school district. In response to these conditions, a District Staff Task Force was created in August, 1979, to investigate ways of reorganizing the schools. In its report the Task Force noted that "there is no one best structure or grade organization" and that "grade organization is essentially determined by political and economic considerations." The Task Force recommended that "community staff, parents, and students should be actively involved in the decision-making process."

In March, 1980, the Board of Education approved fifteen parameters for the reorganization of public schools. The first two parameters state that since senior high schools will remain open and that these six schools will contain grades 9-12.

Reorganization Task Forces were then created in each high school area to investigate three types of grade organization: K-6, 7-8, 9-12, K-5, 6-8, 9-12, K-8, 9-12, 10-12. Task Force was to produce a report with recommendations pertinent to its area by Nov. 7, 1980.

Members of the Como Area Task Force were concerned initially about a possible conflict of interest among the Washington Junior High region and the Murray Junior High region.

Therefore, two co-chairmen were elected. Rev. Richard Gou- hard from the Washington region and Dr. Roger Upham from the Murray region. As a result of this early and open recognition of possible problems and the wish to avoid fragmenting, the Task Force operated with a heartening lack of factionalism and it has been able to do a frank, constructive discussion in a friendly atmosphere.

In reaching their conclusions, task-force members asked questions about a variety of routes: the costs of increased busing that would result from school closings compared to savings that would be gained by not operating as many buildings; projections for housing growth in the Como area; and whether these were integrated into school enrollment projections; the merits of setting a 500 student minimum population for schools, how many numbers of Asian refugees affected the projections; the effect of having seven-45 minute-periods instead of the current six 55-minute periods per day; the effect of school size on student behavior and attitude.

The vote to recommend junior highs containing only grades 7 and 8 created the most debate on the Task Force. Como Task Force pressed that a two-year school made programming difficult and gave the students too little time to acquire a sense of identity with their school.

The middle school alternative was favored by many members, but was finally rejected by a small group of members that included desire to keep school organization uniform throughout the district, concern with problems of small size and denominational issues that would arise with a middle school, and desire to alter as little as possible in the absence of clearly superior alternatives.

The Task Force recommendations will go to the Board of Education Nov. 7. The committee would welcome community reaction before then.

Alice Hostickis and Richard E. Phillips are St. Anthony Park residents who served on the Reorganization Task Force.

Murray News

Parent-teacher conferences at Murray Magnet High School will be held on Thursday, Oct. 21, from 3 to 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 to 9 p.m. Parents may request individual conferences with most of their child's teachers. To make appointments, call the Murray office, 654-9474.

The PISA Board will host the faculty at a potluck supper in the school cafeteria during the dinner break between conferences.

Board members will have their next meeting and a Board meeting at 7:30 p.m.

New Program Helps Seniors

A new program to help senior citizens has been started by the Association. Kathy Wellington is the coordinator. She's talked to St. Paul Police, St. Paul Sebastic, Activities director at Commonwealth Nursing Home, and plans to contact the Union Club, which has a "nicely-organized program." The program is to be called "Commonwealth in Common." It includes:

A listing program will be appreciated by residents of the home.

People are needed to go on the home's regular monthly outings to help push wheelchairs. Some home residents have to be left behind due to lack of people to push wheelchairs. Volunteers are needed for Christmas shopping.

Entertainment like sing-alongs and music and drama performances would be appreciated.

Donations of "small things" like costume jewelry and old minor musical instruments would be appreciated.

Putting on a gathering and starting a knitting club are activities that would help enrich the lives of Commonwealth residents. If you have some ideas, call Kathy Wellington at 647-7362.

News from Langford

There are 65 fifth through ninth graders signed up for football this fall. Another 45 are playing freshman soccer, according to athletics and recreation chairperson Tom Ruddy. Mark Nov. 17 on your calendar to register your high school football team for the Minneapolis-Metro League. The meeting will be held at Langford at 7 p.m. to start the meeting.

You are also invited to the Langford Park Boosters' Club meeting Wednesday, Nov. 19. It will be held at Langford with a 7:30 p.m. start time.

The Booster Club works with the St. Anthony Park Association to help support athletic and recreational activities.

Dues Are Due!

If you haven't renewed your membership in the Association, please renew. The fee is $15 for families and $5 for single memberships. If you can't find your reminder notice, just send your check to P.O. Box 88062, Como Station, St. Paul 55106.

Food Committee Has Fun

If you don't like to cook this may be hard to believe. But the four couples who volunteered to prepare meals for the monthly Association meetings say they're having a ball. Committee members are Joanne and Dan Clark, and Sue and Stuey Wellington, Mary and Tom Scanlan, and Warren and Kiki Gore.

"We like to have 'sample' sessions every chance we get," says Kiki Gore. The group met last summer to plan the menu for the coming year. Now they are serving occasional "tasting" parties when they get hungry.

"The taster parties, but we're also having a lot," says Kathy Wellington.

Each month, one couple takes responsibility for a course—vegetables, salad, dessert or the meat. "I'm here to log the way we decide who brings what for a particular month," says Kiki Gore. "It's all done in a spirit of who's going to pitch in." When asked what the committee's secret is to the success of the committee, Kiki Gore replied, "Kathy was scheduled to have her baby the day of the October meeting. So we thought they should take the meals from us." Kiki Gore is the only committee member to have surgery while she was pregnant.

"We think the Association's food committee is a great example of how community service can be fun. They're serving the best food possible at a low cost.

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St. Anthony Park Association

Edited by Jack Sperbeck, 645-6090

Next Meeting

at Congregational Church

The November meeting will be at a different location, the St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ. Many of us know it as the Congregational Church.

The meetings are scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 11, with dinner starting at 6 p.m. Child care services for children up to 4 years old will be available at the church. Children 5 through 10 may be left with the Euchre key program at the elementary school.

The program will feature protection against home burglaries and vandalism. An expert on home protection from the St. Paul Police Department will be available to answer your questions. The sessions planned as a follow-up to literature delivered to Park residents through the bookworm system.

November Board Meeting

The November board meeting will be held Tuesday, Nov. 4, at 7:30 p.m. at Tom Ruddy's 2932 35th Avenue. School Board members will be on sales to the school board. The program will feature a presentation by the St. Anthony Park Association to help support athletic and recreational activities.
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Specials for Schools

duly disturbed student is referred from time to time by teachers, psychologist, it is decided that by PSD, the home school begin. The process usually takes

No child can be placed in the program at the discretion of the parents. The parents participate in the educational plan for their child's strengths and weaknesses and each year.

"Most of our students remain in schools who can make it, who want to go to school," Shrago said. "I think this is a personal relationship. It isn't that.

PSD: Why Is It Here?
PSD began in late 1976 as a federal grant. It was housed in downtown St. Paul's special schools. The state set up the program in July, 1980.

"I don't think there was anyone who said Charles Hagen special schools. They had a lot of space, of the really important factors, and that's all I needed, a little bit of space," says a child's." Shrago said. "It was a good idea."

By Catherine Madison
Photos by Dave Shippee

Ron lays the jacket upside down on the table in front of Dean. "C'mon, Dean, put your jacket on." he says.

Dean slips his arms in the sleeves and flips the jacket up over his head and onto his shoulders. "Hurry up, or you're going to miss your bus," Ron tells him, grabbing his shoulder and gently propelling him toward the bus.

Dean does not talk, nor does he know any other way in which to put on his jacket. He is an autistic child. And Ron, although emotionally disturbed and unable to cope in some ways, seems particularly capable of helping his friend.

PSD: What Is It?
Both boys are part of the Program for Social Development, a city-wide program now housed in the southeastern corner of Murray Junior High School's "garden level," as one parent tactfully phrased it. The program currently serves 41 students, one of whom is a St. Anthony Park resident. Twenty-eight of the students are emotionally disturbed and 13 are autistic. They range in age from 13 to 18 and by law may participate in the program until they are 21.

Program coordinator Morris Shrago distinguishes between the two types of students: "With the disturbed kids, the problems vary from a failure to attend school, to not turning in assignments, to acting depressed. Basically, they find it difficult to cope; their major handicap is a reflection of some emotional problem. They can enter the program any time during the year.

"The autistic kids enter the program soon after their entry into school. Their behavior is much more deviant, and they have severe language and perceptive problems," he said. Autism is characterized by symptoms such as slow development of various skills, immature speech rhythms, abnormal responses to sensations, and abnormal ways of relating to people, objects and events.

Shrago said that most of the autistic students would always be in some kind of "protective living system." Their curriculum focuses mainly on survival skills, communication, home and living skills, and simple repetitive tasks that might enable them to work.

The students in the emotionally disturbed part of the program have a regular curriculum. "They will most likely end up in the mainstream of life," Shrago said.

PSD is self-contained and the most restrictive public school program of its type, he said. Less restrictive alternatives, including counseling, special help and group sessions, are usually tried before an emotion-
Help Murray’s Program for Social Development

Murray’s Program for Social Development

This program, called "observational counselors, parents, and perhaps a student still needs the help offered through the referral and evaluation procedures of two years," Shugio said.

Program without the parent’s consent has never happened," Shugio said. It’s in developing an individual situation which allows them to pinpoint goals. The plan is not done

The program at least two years. For us to get them back in their home important thing they give them here. They really need

Post-Esposition program funded by the Mental Health Protection Agency. Openるのは School and other sites have no in the building. Administrators knew for sure that there was a reason for choosing Murray. "the director for the St. Paul Education Center, which is always one group of its type

Vocational training in autistic class.

Program is always half as long as it is ‘butter organized, and more like a program. ‘We’re quite satisfied,'" said Walleen.

Walleen said: "we’re really excited, sorry and here we look at being. Our concern because of that is because it is much higher, and high age. ‘we’ve never been in a facility that had often been difficult.

Walleen, 1365 East- St., is beginning her fourth year with the program. She teaches a class of eight senior-high age disturbed students. The students are fairly traditional. English, history, math, vocational and consumer skills. Several of the students are probably college bound, she says.

What is it like to teach these students?" I’m teaching,” Walleen said, sighing, then grinning. "It is fun because we get to know our students so much better than in a regular classroom. But it’s frustrating because the gains are so slow. It is hard being the authority for adolescents. Because we spend so much time with them, we become like parents. With adolescents, you know you’re going to get a lot of grief."

One of Walleen’s aids is a man. She thinks it is important for a classroom to have both male and female role models because many of the students have only one parent. "The real trick is to get them to buy into us," she said. "There has to be an element of trust."

The PSD staff is large, totalling 39. Each classroom has a certified special education teacher and two para-professionals. The staff also includes a full-time social worker and part-time occupational therapist, physical education teacher, speech and language pathologist, and vocational education and work experience coordinator.

"This is the best staff. I’ve ever worked with," Walleen said, describing them as stable, supportive and having a sense of humor. "I know for sure that this program has the lowest turnover rate in the metro area."

Clarice Rosen said she communicates daily, via notebook and phone, with her children’s teachers. "The teachers are terrific, especially since we still don’t know that much about autism. I think it’s an excellent program," she said.

PSD: Who Are The Students?

A peek into a classroom can tell the observer various things about this program. One contains students building birdhouses and working on sets for a play production. Another, obviously a lounge, has a ping-pong table and old couch. Two rooms, carpeted and without windows, are "time-out rooms," which are used on an average of once every two weeks for a child who needs isolation for a short time.

One of the three classrooms for autistic children has two bicycles and other everyday things these children must be taught to use. The students in these classes appear different; their sounds and motions are often unusual. One speaks very well; another has only recently given up tantrums in favor of a magnetized picture board for communicating needs. Some use sign language. "The teachers deal with each one individually, quietly and seemingly with assurance.

The four classrooms for the emotionally disturbed students appear very ordinary. It is the students who are special. "We have a large number of depressed and withdrawn kids. They have trouble getting to school. It’s not because they’re out hanging around with three friends-most of them are at home alone. Some won’t come out of their bedrooms," said Walleen.

"Most of the older kids have a fear of their peers. It’s hard to make it to school if you’re afraid of the kids," she said.

Lisa Sanchez and Anne Curtin, both 17, have been part of the program for less than a year. They speak freely about their "social development needs" and why they are here. They agree it’s "different" but can’t explain exactly why.

"I like it because I couldn’t take 30 kids in the class and different teachers every hour," said Curtin. Sometimes I can’t even face six kids. I start to walk in, then I look at them and just say forget it. I’ll stay out in the hall. When they’re in a good mood, they make you feel good. When they’re in a crabby mood, they make everybody feel rotten."

Both like the fact that they can do things differently from the "regular" students. They enjoy frequent field trips to the student union on the St. Paul campus, the bakery and other favorite places. Although most PSD students can only leave the building under direct supervision, some have permission to leave unaccompanied.

"We can sign out or just take a walk, if we need to be alone," said Sanchez. "Of course, sometimes the teachers are worried about you and come running after you to talk. They won’t leave you alone. But that’s because they care about you."

Sanchez shares her positive feelings about the staff. "They’re helpful in the ways they mean to be, and you can learn something from it," she said.

The play production class needs a piano player. Volunteers call 644-6171.
Where They Stand:
The State Senate Race

Gary Blume, IR
I have lived in this district for 22 years. I grew up in St. Anthony Park and graduated from Murray High and the University of Minnesota. My wife, Mary Jane, is a registered nurse. I have two sons, Jason, age 8, and Ryan, age 2. I am a businessman and the public member on the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy.

Neil Dieterich, DF1

How can adequate support be provided to public schools to ensure quality education and equality of educational opportunity?

1. Support of schools with property taxes is unfair to taxpayers like St. Paul. Funding should come from other sources.

2. If private schools close, public schools could not handle the added students. We must provide increased secular instructional materials to private school pupils.

3. We must reduce class sizes in kindergarten through third grade. If a child does not learn basic skills then further education is useless.

4. Taxes can be cut and education will actually improve if the state sets a limit on the number of administrators. State aid comes back with too many strings that necessitate a large bureaucracy on both ends. I would prefer to see the money spent for more teachers.

As state legislator, what would you see as your role in relation to neighborhoods and city neighborhood government?

Since legislators receive a full time pension and salary but are in session only four months per year, a senator must remain on the job after he leaves the capitol. He must attend community council meetings. I am a member of two community coalitions. As a businessman and member of a state board I know from both sides the frustration of dealing with a large bureaucracy. A senator must be an ombudsman for neighborhood interests.

During the last eight years while I have represented District 62 and 62A in the legislature, I have often appeared before the city council or state agencies to assist our district with problems. I supported Lauderdale residents who wanted to keep their school, and I have used my position on the Senate Education Committee to encourage the Roseville

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Ann Wynia, DFL

I was first elected to represent 62A in the legislature in 1976. I serve on the committees on Appropriations, Local and Urban Affairs, and Financial Institutions and Insurance, as well as the Council on the Economic Status of Women and the Legislative Commission on Energy. My husband and I live in St. Anthony Park.

How can adequate support be provided to public schools to ensure quality education and equality of educational opportunity?

Minnesota has always placed a special emphasis on the quality of education our children receive. Yet in recent years, education has received a smaller percentage of our state budget. Declining test scores and failing discipline indicate that this approach has not been wise.

This trend must be reversed. Education must come first. Although it should be done in all grades, reducing class sizes in K-3 is an immediate step we can take. In addition, we must place more emphasis on basic skills.

Minnesota has a proud tradition of using our resources wisely. This challenge now is to invest in our most fundamental resource: our children.

As state legislator, what would you see as your role in relation to neighborhoods and city government?

During this campaign I have had the privilege of meeting with many neighborhood and community groups. They have shared their concerns with me. I believe the role of the legislator is to carry the concerns of the people to the legislature. The people and the legislator will work together to find solutions for neighborhood problems. I will also work with the people of my district to help solve local problems through local units of government.

I further would work for a form of St. Paul government that would provide equitable representation for every part of the city.

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Blume
As a private citizen I spoke up before the P.C.A. when the aquifer heating plan on the St. Paul U. of M. campus impacted the environment. I contributed to and assisted the Como Falcon Heights Coalition in their opposition to the siting of the Job Corps. In cases like this the senatorial office could have been used to give the neighborhoods a far more prominent voice.

Legislation should provide for neighborhood impact statements for projects above a certain size and for their approval by community councils before work commences.

As state legislator, to what issues will you give highest priority in terms of your own interest and effort?

In addition to neighbors and education, my priorities will be:

1. Tax relief. Constitutional amendments that limit spending increases to the percentage growth in personal income and require 60 percent of the state funds to be spent in the state will reduce taxes. The state should not put up tax rates.

2. Cutting crime. Stop the soft law on sentences and provide for minimum sentences for all convicted felons. The Credit reform, adoption of a Child Abuse Drug Act, facilitation of collection of judgments from felons by victims, by integrating civil and criminal proceedings.

3. Clean up the environment. Instead of regulating pollution with the large-scale users of pollutants, the state should customize regulations to local needs.

Dietrich
District to give Lauderdale fair treatment in the use of community education funds.

Since I live in St. Anthony Park I naturally take an active interest in what affects North and South St. Anthony Parks. For example, I helped organize the effort to defeat the proposal to site the domed stadium in North St. Anthony Park and at the same time. I worked to obtain expanded parking facilities on the St. Paul campus and have supported the resident parking permit system with the city council.

ELECT GARY BLUME

He is for:

• Constitutional amendments limiting tax and spending increases.
• Set minimum prison terms for all convicted felons.
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• District system for St. Paul Council.

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Wood Floors Seminar Topic

Floor refinishing will be the topic of the second fall home seminar of the Home Improvement Center. On Saturday, Nov. 15, at 2 p.m., Jane Delger, of Creative Floor Crafters, will discuss some of the intricacies of creating or re-creating wood floors. The seminar will be held at Creative Floor Crafters, Inc., 1558 Como Ave.

A survey of products available will include stains, waxes, polyurethanes, and oil treatments. Tips on choosing a reputable floor contractor will also be presented.

The seminar is geared to the person who wishes to contract the work as well as to the do-it-yourselfer. Topics will be types and uses of sanding machines, sand paper usage, avoidance of swirl marks, and preparation of corners and radiator areas. Delger will also discuss alternatives to the sanding procedure in refurbishing floors.

Gibbs Farm

A revival of pioneer traditionalism and family unity will take place Sunday, Nov. 2, at the Gibbs Farm Museum in a program titled "A Victorian Afternoon," a revival of an era when families gathered in the parlor to chat and do "busy work."

On Sunday, Nov. 23, Gibbs Farm staff members will be preparing for a traditional Christmas in "A Christmas Decorating Bee."

Sunday, Nov. 30, the farm will put on a gingerbread house-making contest, with a panel of judges and prizes. The public is invited to bring along homemade gingerbread houses and watch as Gibbs Farm staff member demonstrate their approach to the art.

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Lauderdale residents will choose a mayor and two councilpersons on election day, Nov. 4. These individuals will join the two existing councilpersons and complete the five-member council. 

Dave Nelson is running unopposed for his second term as mayor. A Lauderdale resident since 1968, Nelson served as a councilperson for four years before being elected to his first term as mayor.

Three men are running for the two four-year council spots left open by department incumbents.

Burl Burr moved to Lauderdale two years ago after living in Luther Seminary Housing. He is a student at Luther and also works for Super America. Burr is concerned with the lack of interest in Lauderdale government and hopes to work to preserve Lauderdale's small community identity.

Erik Bevier, also a Lauderdale resident for 2 years, is a political science student at the University of Minnesota. He is employed at the St. Paul campus library. Although generally pleased with the city council, Bevier hopes to promote better communication between Lauderdale residents and their council.

Ray Shogren has lived in Lauderdale for 9 years. He is a past Civic Club president and warming house associate and works at Paper Calmenson. He hopes to take advantage of the open council positions and add some "new blood" to the council.

Lauderdale residents may vote from 7 a.m.-8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4 at the Lauderdale Village Hall.

Lauderdale's annual Halloween Party will be held Oct. 31 at the Village Hall, from 6-9 p.m.

Tradition continues as the Lauderdale Singers begin another year of performing for men and women's clubs, nursing home residents and senior citizen groups.

Formerly named the Lauderdale Mother Singers, the group has been performing for 20 years. They accept donations, but no members are paid for their time. Although the group originated in Lauderdale, members at other area churches are welcome if they may sing and entertain.

Dave Ray directs the group. Before becoming director three years ago, he had been the group's pianist. Ann McLaughlin is the current pianist.

The Lauderdale Singers are now preparing music, costumes and arrangement for this year's Christmas concert, which will occur Monday, Dec. 15, at 7:30 p.m. at the United Church in Lauderdale.

Individuals interested in joining the group should contact Irwin Ray (651-438-59) or Anita Shogren (651-227-41). Anyone knowing of Lauderdale news or upcoming events, please call Kathy Egertson, 379-0598.
Baking bread is a medley of textures. The stickiness of the dough as the flour is slowly added. The silken smoothness of the dough after it has risen. The hard crispness of the crust of the baked loaf, and the feel of the cool butter on the warm, crumbly, newly sliced piece of bread.

by Lucy Cutler
Photos by Mary Walker Sjowall
Bread by Helen Dufault

John Berg on the Issues

- **INFLATION:** Inflation is the cruelest tax of all on working Americans. The erosion of the dollar can and must be brought under control. We need to
  a. decrease spending by the federal government
  b. increase national productivity
  c. reduce our dependence on foreign oil

- **GOVERNMENT SPENDING:** The federal budget can be controlled. I propose that the federal budget be reduced by 2 percent annually in real dollars for the next six years with provisions that such reductions cannot cut essential public programs. We need to trim the fat, not the quality of service.

- **JOBS:** To create real jobs for the people of Ramsey County, we must provide the opportunity for investment. Tax credits and other assistance will guarantee such investment. More plants and more equipment mean more permanent jobs. It's that simple.

- **DEFENSE:** This nation must have a strong national defense. Such a commitment is possible without dramatic increases in costs. We must prioritize our defense programs and cut waste. I propose:
  a. To provide adequate equipment, maintenance and pay for our armed service personnel.
  b. A well trained quick response unit, within the regular armed service branches.
  c. A truly reserve that can be utilized in crises of national emergency.

- **ENERGY:** To reduce our dependence on foreign oil and to build a strong energy future, conservation is the only practical long term answer.
  a. Tax credits for energy efficient homes
  b. Encouragement of fuel efficient cars
  c. Public transportation
  In the long term, solar, hydroelectric, and other alternative energy sources must be emphasized. Much of the technology is already available. Only the refinement is needed.

- **SENIORS:** Our older citizens have earned a life in retirement free of uncertainty and financial need. We must guarantee that they are protected from the harsh effects of inflation. I propose raising the earnings limitations for those on social security who choose to continue working. Protecting our retired citizens from providing a decent standard of living for themselves is wrong.

Vote JOHN BERG for Congress Tues., Nov. 4
KASOTA POND: continued from page 1

east pond will drop, changing the face of the marsh as it is now seen. Whether this move is necessary for effective drainage of Dowell is unclear.

The marsh area is a popular recreation and observation site for many people. One can often see scout troops, students, joggers, game watchers and an occasional hunting dog and its master enjoying the many pheasants, rabbits, ducks and muskrats that inhabit the area.

One St. Anthony Park resident, Dr. J. A. Cooper, has voiced his concern about preserving the marsh in a letter to the District 12 Community Council. An assistant professor of entomology, fisheries and wildlife at the University, Dr. Cooper has a strong interest in the matter. He recently conducted some research on his own to determine whether the hen wood duck roosting in the backyard of his Dudley Street home was visiting the Kasota marsh. By attaching a radio transmitter to the bird, he found that it not only fed regularly in the pond but also used it as a roosting place.

"The area should be rich in mammals such as raccoon, weasel, and muskrats as well," said Cooper. "The rail yards provide an excellent corridor for movement."

Dr. Cooper recommends the pond area to his students who do not have vehicles to travel to more distant refuge areas. Several years ago, one student investigated winter pheasant ecology in the pond area. He found that the food chain is supported by a constant supply of spilled grain from passing rail cars.

State wetland laws permit only to areas of ten acres or more unless they contain a unique species. The Army Corps of Engineers only has jurisdiction over navigable waters, so any water level change carried out in the marsh would be under the direction of the city of St. Paul.

M & M Development expresses no interest in extending their property any farther east. The ponds are incorporated into their landscape plans and add aesthetic value to the setting of their buildings.

"The company president is a member of Ducks Unlimited and has no desire to see the pond lowered or any wildlife endangered," said Skora. M & M architect.

Dr. Cooper commented, "We must strike a balance between wetlands and development. In St. Anthony Park, the Kasota area is the last one."

Steve Finkle is a photojournalism student at the University of Minnesota and lives at St. Anthony Park.

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Park Library Happenings

"Storytellers" will offer a one-man performance, starring Spencer Beckwith, about Charles Dickens and his characters at the St. Anthony Park Branch Library at 3:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14. The program, "Dickens," written by Robert Sheedy and directed by Scott Rubsam, is suitable for viewing by junior high ages and older. The free performance will last approximately 35 minutes.

Parent education will be the subject of a series of Wednesday morning sessions in the library during December and January. The discussions will be led by Corinne Nierenstein, a parent education instructor, and will be held at 10 a.m., beginning Dec. 3. The time coincides with that of the pre-school story hour, and the library may be able to provide child care for toddlers.

The first session will focus on evaluation of toys. For the following meetings, participants will decide topics for discussions. Anyone interested in attending may sign up in the library.

The Saturday afternoon showings of the final segments of "Connections" will also continue throughout the month of November at 2 p.m. in the library auditorium.

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As state legislator, to what issues will you give highest priority in terms of your own interest and effort?

Whipple

In meeting with the people of the district, the most frequently expressed concerns are our oppressive tax structure, our high cost of living and our increasing shortage of energy.

My experience in solving economic problems as a management consultant provides me with the expertise needed to find sensible and effective solutions for the concerns of the people.

In order to inform readers about the candidates for state representative and state senator, the Bugle asked the candidates to write brief statements about themselves and to answer three questions in writing. Their responses are printed here.

Wynia

As a member of the newly created Legislative Commission on Energy, I am particularly interested in working on legislation to address in a positive fashion our state's energy challenges as they relate to both issues of supply and cost. I would like to see a greater conservation effort as well as the promotion of alternative energy technologies. I am also committed to working on legislation to increase home care opportunities for disabled persons. Such a policy would both provide a humane choice to institutionalization and in many instances be less costly. Finally, I want to work for educational improvements as discussed in the previous question.

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