



Garrison Keillor, no longer sporting his familiar beard, autographs a copy of his book at the St. Anthony Park Branch Library. Photo by Jon Madsen.

## Keillor Signs Books Where Once He Wrote

by Jim Brogan

Garrison Keillor's appearance Dec. 9 at the St. Anthony Park Branch Library to autograph copies of his new book, "Happy to Be Here," was something of a homecoming for the Old Scout. For three years, from 1973-1976, Keillor was a bona fide Park Person, residing in a house at 1431 Grantham, across the street from Murray High School.

Married at the time, with a son just beginning elementary school here, he made his living as a writer, working at home. Since his wife was working outside the home, many of the domestic responsibilities for raising his boy fell to Keillor himself.

"My son was going to nursery and elementary school," he remembers, "and I was taking care of him during the days. Most of the places I hung out in St. Anthony Park were places he and I hung out together: College Park, the farm campus, Langford Park and occasional walks through the Fairgrounds.

"We spent most of our time at the library," he continues. "My son was over on the children's side, and I was on the other side doing research for my writing."

In sharp contrast to this tranquil memory of pleasant afternoons in the reading room, Keillor

walked in Dec. 9 to a library crowded with eager autograph-seekers, amateur and professional photographers and even a three-man television crew armed with a shotgun mike, a shoulder-carried camera and a battery of klieg lights.

Somewhat taken aback by the size of the crowd, the blinding lights, and general hubbub, Keillor diplomatically set himself and the crowd at ease by chatting a few minutes with the people just inside the door. Then, shedding his tan overcoat, he prepared to seat himself behind a prominent poinsettia in one of the library's deep-valley easy chairs, but quickly thought better of it.

Muttering something about never being able to get out again if he once sat down and got comfortable, he moved to a standing position near the card catalogue on the left, and started to work.

The many people waiting in winter coats to have their book or books signed by him had formed themselves into an elongated, ragged circle around the perimeter of the room. People coming in the front door found it necessary to break through this line, somehow hurdle the TV crew occupying the center of the room, and fight their way to a table across from the main desk, where Keillor's books were being sold.

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## Changes Proposed for Raymond Ave.

by Kevin Brixius

St. Anthony Park residents recently exerted a bit of advice with dissent regarding proposed changes in the design of Raymond Avenue. In a community discussion at the Seal Street High Rise Dec. 3 approximately 70 park residents aired their views on the proposals.

Final recommendations on the changes will likely be submitted as part of District 12's requests on the Capital Improvement Budget in 1983.

District 12 physical committee chairman Greg Haley outlined the proposals which centered around four "problem areas."

The first of these was the intersection of Raymond Avenue and Territorial Road. Residents, many of them from the high rise, complained of excessive truck traffic and difficulty crossing Raymond Avenue. An informal vote decidedly favored a traffic light at the intersection.

At a meeting Dec. 9 the full District 12 Council decided to recommend a traffic light at the intersection and to request 4-way stop signs temporarily.

A second proposal to "T" the Ellis Avenue and Bradford Street intersections at Raymond Avenue elicited little response. Public Works engineers suggested paired one-way streets either

both east from Raymond, or both west to Raymond. No decision was made at the Dec. 9 council meeting.

The third plan attempted basically to deemphasize Raymond Avenue as a through street, shifting southbound Raymond traffic onto Hampden Avenue east of Raymond. Raymond south of Hampden would intersect at a "T". The logic of the design is to channel through the truck traffic around the residential areas south of Hampden Avenue.

Several Hampden Square residents voiced misgivings about the proposal.

"You're allowing more access to the parks, but you're also putting more traffic past where the children live," said Marsha Arnould. Arnould said that traffic on Hampden Avenue is already excessive, especially during rush hour periods. "It's like you're playing chicken with the truckers," she said.

Adjuncts to the design called for a cul-de-sac of Hampden west of Raymond and a roadway across Green Grass Park, neither of which gained much support.

The full council decided to proceed with the proposal to reroute traffic onto Hampden, discarding the cul-de-sac and the park roadway. Immediate action could include designation of Hampden Avenue as a truck route where it

intersects Raymond, and the installation of temporary asphalt curbs to "T" the Raymond/Hampden intersection.

The final proposals dealt with the Como/Raymond intersection and the divergence of Raymond and Cleveland. While discussion was relatively light, it was generally agreed that squaring the intersection of Raymond and Cleveland providing turn access would alleviate driver indecision at the intersection.

The full council decided to recommend a left turn lane on southbound Raymond to Como, as well as squaring the intersection of Cleveland and Raymond providing a left turn lane at this point on northbound Raymond. The council recommended temporary asphalt curbing at this intersection also.

Permanent changes in the design of Raymond Avenue could be several years away. Recommendations for the 1982 Capital Improvement Budget have already been made. Once community preferences are selected, they must be submitted to one of three city task forces which establish priority lists with regard to other similar communities. These are submitted to a city-wide committee which draws up one priority list for the city. This list is sent to the mayor for review and from there to the city council for approval.

## Police: Crime Watch Seems To Be Helping

by Claudia Lustig

St. Anthony Park's Crime Watch program, now in its tenth month, has been helpful in preventing crime in the area, according to Lt. Leroy Thielen of the St. Paul police department. Blockworkers met at the Machinists' Labor Temple on Nov. 30, where officials working with the program showed their appreciation and support.

"It's quite obvious that something's being done," said Thielen, "and we hope it's in part through Crime Watch." In the period from October through mid-November there were two forced entries into homes compared with 11 in the same period in 1980, and one unforced entry, compared with five last year, said Thielen.

The purpose of the November meeting, the first meeting of all blockworkers since March, was "to keep the blockworkers informed of the status of the program, to generate new enthusiasm and to thank them for their time and effort," said David Maschwitz, one of the program's co-chairpersons.

The importance of awareness, watchfulness, and improvement of home security and neighbor to neighbor contact were stressed, according to Maschwitz.

"It's still a little early to know for sure how much impact we've had," said Maschwitz. "We have to tell people that things aren't over. We still have burglaries, people who don't lock doors etc. We want to encourage people not to relax."

Door prizes were awarded at the meeting, several of which were donated by St. Anthony Park merchants. The building and refreshments for the meeting were obtained through the aid of Councilman Ron Maddox.

Maddox said he became involved in the program because he felt it was very important to the community. "I'll do everything in my power to make sure it succeeds," he said, "but it's up to the people to make it go. It's a lot deeper than Ron Maddox. There's a lot of complacency out there. To get people to care is a significant thing. The neighborhood should be congratulated—they've taken the bull by the horns."



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## Latimer Will Meet With Council Jan. 13

Mayor George Latimer will meet with the District 12 Council on Jan. 13, to discuss cooperation between the city and neighborhoods in delivering services, the current city financial status and options for the future. The meeting will be in the atrium of the Baker Court building at Territorial Road and Raymond Avenue.

The Council's regular meeting will begin at 7 p.m. The mayor will be on the agenda at 8:15. Interested residents are invited to attend.

Possibilities for a community clean-up day in March will be discussed with a representative from Goodwill Industries during the regular meeting.

## 80 Tons of Leaves

by BRIAN PAP

Approximately 80 tons of leaves were collected and delivered to the Robbins-Bayless compost site this fall. This represents 80 tons of waste diverted from landfill. In addition, street sweeping costs for leaves in District 12 were reduced \$4,319 from last year.

SAP residents deserve most of the credit for these savings as they were seen daily dumping their leaves on the pile. But especially deserving credit are SAP residents Dwayne Albrecht and Don Martin. Albrecht Landscaping avoided hauling leaves to the landfill by dumping those collected in St. Anthony Park at the Robbins-Bayless site. Albrecht also furnished a truck and trailer used by supervisors Brian Pap and Don Martin and their eight Job Corps Center volunteers as they collected over 1400 bags of leaves on Nov. 7.

A tractor furnished by Albrecht was used to push the leaves into two large piles. Larger piles withstand Minnesota's cold temperatures well, thereby allowing winter composting to occur in the center of the piles.

Over 1000 pounds of okara, a soybean residue, collected from nearby Joy of Soy Manufacturing, 510 Kasota Ave., Minneapolis, was added to one of the piles to test how this free source of nitrogen will speed up the decomposition process. Next spring the finished compost can be shredded and used on residents' gardens.



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An old-fashioned sleigh ride highlighted the official groundbreaking for St. Anthony Greens on Dec. 4. The townhouse development will be built on land at Territorial and Seal Street in south St. Anthony Park. Representatives of City Council, the Housing and Redevelopment Authority, Department of Planning and Economic Development and the District 12 Council took part in the ceremony.

## When That Snow Shovel Gets Too Heavy...

Permit parking in St. Anthony Park has been extended in its present form until City Council reviews the project evaluation report and decides future policy. This will probably be in January or February, 1982.

Before compiling its report, the Department of Public Works did a random sample telephone survey of people in St. Anthony Park to determine reaction to the permit parking plan. Of those surveyed, 65 percent support the

plan and want it continued, 20 percent oppose it, and 15 percent do not care.

Receipts from permit fees paid 36% of the cost of the program. Fees probably will be raised for the new permits.

If the report is available from the city, the District 12 Council will discuss it at its regular meeting on Jan. 9.

## 65% Favor It; Permit Parking Will Continue

Two resources are available to District 12 residents who need help with snow shovelling.

The Job Bank at the South St. Anthony Park Recreation Center has a list of young people who would like paid shovelling jobs. College students living on the second floor of Bailey Hall on the St. Paul campus have volunteered to do snow shovelling as a community service for elderly and handicapped residents. Call 644-9188 for the Job Bank and 646-8884 for college student help.

Sidewalks must be shovelled within 24 hours after the snow stops or residents can be subject to a fine, court appearance or both. After a warning notice, the Department of Public Works will clean the walk and bill the property owner.

Residents with complaints about unshovelled walks can call District 12 at 646-8884. Callers must know the exact house or business address for the property.

## Tax-Deductible Fund Set To Help Children's Theatre

A tax-deductible fund to support the St. Anthony Park Children's Theatre Group was authorized by the District 12 Council in cooperation with the Arts Forum at its December meeting. Residents wishing to contribute should send their checks to D-12 Children's Theatre Fund, 2380 Hampden Avenue, St. Paul, 55114.

The money will be used for expenses of the drama group, which has been meeting at Roxanne Christian's home. The group is preparing three plays to be presented on Jan. 6.

## Conference on Aging

A community forum on the recent White House Conference on Aging will be held Jan. 10 at 2:30 p.m. at the St. Anthony Lutheran Church, 2323 Como Ave.

Dr. Ida Martinson and Joe Skovholt of St. Anthony Park, participants in the conference, will discuss the session's accomplishments and the implications for local communities. The forum is sponsored by the District 12 Council of the St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church.

## Where We Came From

A good way to learn about your roots.

Beginning Jan. 19 at 7 p.m. a course about Minnesota's immigration history will be offered through Community Education by Dr. Carlton Qualey, retired Professor of Immigration History at Carleton College.

The class will meet at Murray Junior High School and will continue for four weekly sessions. Cost: \$8; seniors, \$4.

For more information call Bernie Lancette, community education director, 645-2456, 9:30 a.m.-12 noon. If transportation is desired, call Jo Anne Rohricht, 545-6043.

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## Marjorie DeBoer: A Writer All Her Life

by Gillian Bolling

Sinclair Lewis, Judith Guest and Marjorie DeBoer have something in common—they are all Minnesota novelists. While Lewis grew up in Sauke Centre, and Guest, the author of "Ordinary People," lives in Edina, Marjorie DeBoer had been a St. Anthony Park resident for 24 years.

DeBoer has been a writer all of her life, but has only been serious about getting published in the past 10 years. Before then, she and her husband Wendell, coordinator for student affairs in the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Minnesota, were busy raising five children, the youngest of whom is now 20. But for DeBoer, the waiting and refining of her writing talents have paid off.

DeBoer's novel, "A Crown of Carnival" will be published in June, 1982. Her contract with Tower Publications in New York City was the result of a lucky connection, reinforcing her view that "you really need to know somebody" in order to get a publishing contract.

"A Crown of Carnival" is an historical novel set in France during the period 1868-71, at the end of the second empire. All of the characters live in Paris; the main characters are an aristocratic young man and his twin sister.

"I've always been interested in history and loved reading books of the historical genre when I was young," said DeBoer, who spent two years doing research for the book.

Her research included a trip to France after the writing was finished to check details of street lay-outs and to get an overall feeling of the way the French lived. "Many of the buildings in Paris are over 100 years old and would have been the same types of places the characters had lived in," she said.

DeBoer finished writing "A Crown of Carnival" three years ago and for six months tried unsuccessfully to market it herself. She finally was put in contact with an agent through a writer from whom she was taking a class at the University of Minnesota. After the agent agreed to

represent her and she then turned over the manuscript to him, it took two years for the novel to be accepted by a publishing company.

"It was a recession time for new writers—a lot of publishing companies were scared to take chances," said DeBoer. She added that Tower Publications, a paperback book publishing company, specializes in accepting the works of little-known or new writers.

DeBoer, who majored in English and journalism at South Dakota State University, said she previously had written Gothic novels when it was suggested she try historical romances. She feels that some of her difficulty in get-

Recently DeBoer read the first chapter of "No Perfect Dreams" at the St. Anthony Park Branch Library, an event sponsored by the St. Anthony Park Writers' Workshop, a group she has been involved with since it began two and a half years ago. The Writers' Workshop meets once a month and is open to any interested Park residents.

DeBoer is active in the community in other ways, too. She is a new member of the St. Anthony Park Arts Forum and sings in her church choir. She also plays the piano and performs as an accompanist for local soloists.

But her primary instruments these days are her dictionary.



Marjorie DeBoer. Photo by Nadene Malo.

ting works published was due to publishers' reactions that her novels were "somehow different from the formula."

"My characters develop as people," said DeBoer. "I do use similar types, but I try not to write according to a 'formula'." An earlier Gothic novel she wrote, which was set in the Black Hills of South Dakota, was rejected by several publishers for "not being exotic enough." Her agent currently is trying to sell a novel DeBoer finished last April. It is called "No Perfect Dreams" and is set in regency England during the battle of Waterloo.

thesaurus, typewriter and notebook—she is busy again at her writing table working on a new novel, this one set in Modern America.

DeBoer's only regret about her writing career is that she wishes she had concentrated more on writing earlier in her life. She also wishes she had had more self confidence and hadn't been so shy about getting published.

"It took me so long. My advice is to be persistent and believe in yourself," said DeBoer.

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## The story on IRA

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## On Being Devolved Upon

"Devolve" is the newest buzz word in governmental circles, according to Minneapolis mayor Donald Fraser. Speaking recently to community journalists, Fraser explained that the federal government is devolving responsibilities onto the state governments, which in turn are scurrying to devolve onto the city governments, which are looking around to see who they can devolve onto. The next target, according to Fraser? Neighborhoods.

The search is on to define new ways neighborhoods can more actively participate in the processes of government. In St. Paul a mechanism to enable neighborhoods to pick up more responsibility is already in place with the district councils. A logical focus of neighborhood action would be social services, and within District 12, social service efforts for and with old people should be first priority. The District 12 council has begun to move in this direction.

There are ways this community can devise to meet needs of older residents and to ensure that a neighborhood containing and benefiting from people of all ages is maintained. Let us explore how to encourage more mixed-age congregate housing, community nursing care, more extensive use of the knowledge of older people.

The buck may be stopping with the neighborhoods, but it is a shrinking buck. Creative efforts will be needed, efforts that rely more on the neighborhoods' greatest resources, which is people, than on money.

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## 46 Eagles

by Claudia Lustig

During the nearly sixty-six year history of St. Anthony Park's Boy Scout Troup 17, 46 of its members distinguished themselves by becoming Eagle Scouts.

In order to recognize them, and to publicly preserve that portion of the troop's long history, a plaque was created on which the names of those, and future, Eagles could be recorded. Hand-carved by Mark Mettler, Park resident and former troop member (and himself an Eagle), the plaque will be permanently hung in the social hall of the St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ. The church has been the sponsor and meeting place of Troop 17 since 1916.

According to Rob Pruden, director of Boy Scout training and activities an Eagle Scout is "a boy under 18 years of age who has earned 24 merit badges and completed a project." The requirements take about 2½ years to complete. Twelve specific badges are required, including finance, swimming, first aid, lifesaving and camping, said Pruden.

The scout must supervise other boys in a service project of some sort. He must submit a written paper about the project to a board of review composed of four to six adults, and answer their questions.

Only one percent of all scouts achieve the rank of Eagle Scout. "It's made challenging enough that if the boy really wants it he

## Joe Nobles Wins Drawing Contest

by Julia Leitzke

Joseph Nobles, a fifth grade student at St. Anthony Park Elementary School, was the winner of a drawing contest sponsored by B. Dalton booksellers. He received a complete autographed set of Steven Kellogg's books including 12 hardcovers and four paperbacks, for his entry in the grade 3-5 category.

The contest was a promotion for the visit of Steven Kellogg, author-illustrator, to B. Dalton's Ridgedale, Rosedale and Southdale on November 20, 21, and was open to all children in the metropolitan area. Nobles' prize-winning drawing featured a fantastic creature called a skog, from Kellogg's book "Island of the Skog."

The St. Anthony Park Library will also receive a complete set of Kellogg's books, as a result of Nobles' prize-winning entry.



The Troop 17 Eagle Scout plaque is shown by (from left) Geoff Warner, Jack Kemp, Charles Flinn, Gale Frost and Ken Hershbell. Warner and Hershbell are Eagle Scouts; Frost is the troop's oldest Eagle.

can get it, but not so easy that it's handed to him," said Pruden.

Famous Eagle Scouts are astronauts Neil Armstrong and John

Glenn and former President Gerald Ford. In addition, said Pruden, 63 of the current U.S. Congressmen were Eagle Scouts.

## Letters to the Editor

exposure was overblown as well. Again, the public relations impact of the event was not to "show off," nor to recognize the organizers. It was intended, as all special events of this nature should be, as a way to convey good will and appreciation to those involved.

All residents of St. Anthony Park should be happy and relieved to have a light to make the intersection safer than it was. A celebration like Saturday's lets everyone know exactly how thankful we are.

David Hakensen

There's a bit of rumbling in the Park about the celebration and fanfare following the throwing of the switch which turned on the signal light at Doswell and Como avenues on Dec. 5. Unfortunately, a lot of people don't see the *real* reason why everyone was celebrating.

From a public relations standpoint, the event that took place that Saturday morning was more than just a gala neighborhood celebration. It was a "thank you" to those key politicians—both city and community—who worked so hard and for so long to get a light at the dangerous intersection.

Unfortunately, many people felt the celebration was a self-serving affair for a few people involved. How wrong! It was a climax to a long fight for the light and a relief to finally have the light in place. It certainly was of importance; to have the mayor and two ward candidates on the makeshift podium was an accomplishment itself and mirrored the importance of the occasion to the community.

Many grumbling that the media

We would like to publicly thank city Councilman George McMahon, state representative Ann Wynia, District 12 coordinator Ann Copeland and the St. Anthony Park Association for their efforts in securing the newly installed stoplight at Como and Doswell avenues. Without their hard work and support, there would be no light.

One year after our son Stuart's serious accident at that intersection, our neighborhood first received word that the stoplight would be installed. Six months later, it is a reality!

St. Anthony Park is a special place, where people work together for the common good of the community. How happy and proud we are to live here and to have exceptional representation in city and state government.

Wishing all of our St. Anthony Park neighbors "safe crossing" and happy holidays.

The Maschwitz family  
Dave, Linda, Stuart and Eric





## HEADWINDS

by James Wesley Brogan

Electricity consists in equal parts of positive and negative energy. For every plus, there is a minus. When Benjamin Franklin invented lightning in 1776, he could not have anticipated the many complications and problems that would follow. No doubt he would be shocked to discover that the simple iron key suspended from his kite turned on the whole troublesome world of modern conveniences.

Within the brief span of 200 years, the United States would be full of miraculous kitchen appliances the electrical cords of which never exceed a foot and a half in length. Since the average American kitchen contains three outlets, the initials "U.L." printed on a small white tag affixed to the cord of each appliance evidently mean Un-Likely to reach the nearest socket.

In the event that you do manage to get your appliances plugged in, by clever use of extension cords or other means, such as stacking, your problems have only begun. For you will have made yourself dependent on a mystery, enslaved yourself to something you don't understand.

I am assuming that your knowledge of electronics is about as complete as my own, that is, almost total ignorance. If you're like me, you close your eyes for a split second every time you turn a switch, saying a silent prayer to the unknown: Please, Magic Power, cook these beans; I'm hungry. Heat up this water; I need a bath. Make me some coffee; my brain needs a jump-start.

As the old Indian said in "Little Big Man," "Sometimes the magic works; sometimes it doesn't." And when it doesn't, if you're like me, you're helpless. Your appliance suddenly does not apply, and there you are, like a junkie on Hennepin Avenue, looking for a fix. It is going to cost you plenty, and make you even sicker, more dependent than you were before; but you need it, now, and you'll pay the price.

The last few times my own modern conveniences have needed fixing, I've noticed that the dealers and service people prefer to replace them rather than repair what is wrong. When we took in our toaster-oven, for example, having noticed that it had only two settings—"red hot" or "off"—the service manager gave us the choice of having it fixed for \$16 or entirely replaced for \$21. He clearly recommended that we pay the extra \$5 and replace it. We did not, probably because of some misguided nostalgia on my part for the good old days when repair meant repair. We had the old doctored up, and sure enough, less than six months later, our toaster-oven is ailing again.

So much for the old days when men were men, and a motor could be fixed by a mechanic with a long-nosed pliers and a screwdriver. Now, if it doesn't work, we throw it away and buy a new one, one more than likely made in Japan.

I call it Kleenex technology, and maybe it's convenient, but maybe it's not.

## On Finding 'the Courage To Be'

by Susan Barker

Too soon, winter closes in. Fenced indoors now after a long season of neighborhood cruising, our cat Boots resumes his cold-weather habit of pulling out his hair. And nightly exercycle rides become our own seasonal neurotic tic.

Burn off the frustration of enforced family togetherness. Pedal hard against the days too short on light and a barren landscape that underscores the continuing gloominess of what seems like a world gone mad. If only, I think (taking little consolation in the reflection of a winter sunset spreading like a ruby pool on our neighbor's windows), there were more light in these dark days.

All fall, a running conversation has linked family, friends and neighbors in a communal web of gloom. My sister calls long-distance with the latest hair-raising dispatch. It seems, she says, that the nice young college student down the street has just been arrested for breaking into the downstairs apartment and raping her neighbor. I match her story with that of the 6-year-old girl found dead in an alley dumpster near Grand Avenue.

Our exchange is like so many in the past months: a friend lamenting government cutbacks, lost

her job and the growing ranks of the unemployed; a neighbor reporting the vandalization of his up-country property twice within several weeks (after 20 unviolated years); our aging parents wondering what kind of future awaits them.

"What's the world coming to?" is the question underlying our days.

"To an end," the survivalists answer matter-of-factly.

So sure are they of impending doom, they've built a multi-million dollar industry (freeze-dried food, home shelters, etc.) on apocalyptic visions. Having purchased a water filter for last summer's backpacking trip, we were astounded to learn the gizmo is just the thing to have on hand for catastrophes. Be a real sharpie, the accompanying brochure advises, and keep a waterbed filled as a ready source of water that can be filtered when the time comes. For these folks, doomsday is no longer a far-fetched scenario. But listening to President Reagan's pronouncements on "limited" nuclear war, growing atomic arsenals, and the need for more effective neutron bombs, I wonder myself.

Some days, I've wondered how is it that we can carry on. Some nights while making the nightly rounds of securing our house

and saying goodnights, I've felt myself on a kind of terrible tight-rope with everything we've built at stake. Keep current these days and your faith may weaken. And lead you to wonder if it's still possible, in the face of such terrible things, to find what theologian Paul Tillich called "the courage to be" in spite of everything we know about our world.

But having just discovered Eugenia Ginzburg's recently-published memoirs of her 18-year exile in Siberian prison camps, I suddenly find the question made moot by her example. Written by one who found herself in the company of thousands imprisoned during Stalin's reign of terror for their "counterrevolutionary" beliefs and activities, *Within the Whirlwind* is the kind of book that can literally change one's life.

A case study in great strength and the courage derived from what she sees as her deep spiritualism, Ginzburg fought to survive through years of exhaustion, near-starvation, backbreaking outdoor work and forced marches between far-distant camps. She endured the deaths of fellow prisoners and the fears engendered by arbitrary and spurious punishments. She shared a bunk platform with a syphilitic 'common' criminal. She sur-

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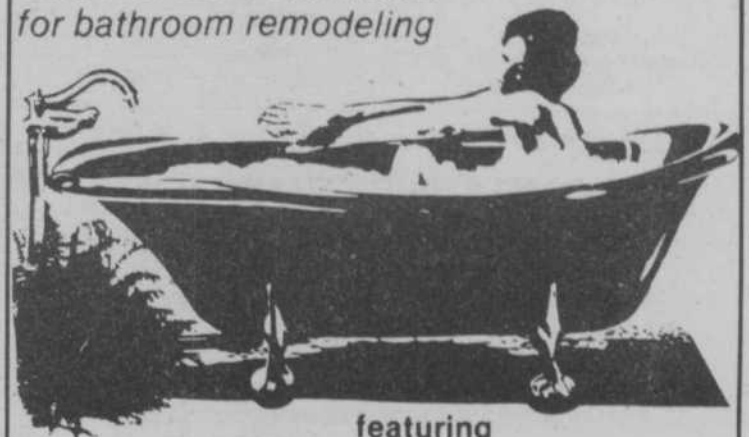
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# Park Bugle 6

## Merrit Fund Established

by Diedre Hagstrom

St. Paul schools will honor George Merritt, former Murray Junior High School teacher who died of cancer Nov. 29, by sponsoring a junior high debate tournament later this school year.

The George Merritt Award Fund is being sponsored by previous students, debaters, relatives and friends of Merritt who believe in perpetuating his desire for young people to learn forensic arts.

Merritt "created an interest in debate," said Steve Egyhazi, Johnson High School debate coach. "George helped to develop debate-forensics in St. Paul so that eventually every school had a debate club."

Depending on funds raised, additional options for honoring Merritt have been suggested: a

debate summer camp for an outstanding debater, a workshop for debaters, a yearly speech award or a travelling trophy for an outstanding debater in the "novice" category, since Merritt was interested in the beginning debater.

A tribute to Merritt's life and legacy was aired by KMSP Channel 9, on Christmas Day during the evening news. The broadcast portrayed Merritt as a teacher who not only extended his knowledge to students but desired to learn about his terminal cancer, and in spite of his condition, continued to teach.

Contributions for the Merritt Award Fund may be sent to Murray Junior High School, 1450 Grantham St., St. Paul, 55108.

## Twelfth Night Concert, Dinner

On Twelfth Night, Jan. 5, the Livingston Consort will collaborate with St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in a "Feast of Music and Food for Twelfth Night." A dinner at 6 p.m. will be followed by a concert at 7:30 p.m.

The medieval dinner will consist of dishes from the period, and a court jester will entertain diners.

The Livingston Consort, which specializes in music of the medieval, renaissance, and the baroque periods, has performed in local churches, colleges and halls, including the Walker Art Center, Guthrie Theatre, Minneapolis Institute of Arts, as well as at the St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ in the Arts Forum Music in the Park series.

The program is part of St. Matthew's "Parish Music Series" co-

ordinated by Jayson Engquist, music director. Tickets for the dinner and concert at \$10; reservations are required by Jan. 3. Concert tickets alone cost \$3. Call 645-3058 for reservations.

## Instructors Needed

St. Anthony Park Community Education is looking for instructors to teach after-school and/or adult evening programs during spring sessions, Bernie Lancette, director announced. Spring classes will begin the week of March 29, 1982. Instructors' salaries begin at \$8.03 an hour.

Winter registration will start January 4 and continue through Jan. 15. Classes will begin the week of Jan. 18, 1982.

For further information about teaching spring classes, call Lancette at 645-2456 by Jan. 15.

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vived the loss of her young son (to starvation) and the death of her first husband, himself imprisoned.

And yet, Ginzburg's story is full of humor and warmth and the great acts of integrity, kindness and love (a marriage between Eugenia and a fellow physician/prisoner) among prisoners struggling to help each other survive.

There was the winter of 1940-1941 which Ginzburg describes as "the blackest, the most lethal, the most evil of all my winters in the camp." She was assigned as medical attendant to a group of fast-weakening prisoners at work felling trees in temperatures of -50° C., and she sought to save them from death and starvation. Risking administration reprisals, she nightly meted out to each woman a teaspoon of cod-liver oil in what she termed "a holy rite."

"I was paralyzed with fear," she wrote, "lest I spill a single drop of the treasured liquid that contained all our hopes for life."

Her kindnesses were returned. On her birthday, an aged prisoner suffering from hunger and gangrene in his one unamputated foot presented Ginzburg with a gift of oat jelly he'd painstakingly extracted from his own last reserve of food. And yet, he refused her offer to share it, but watched her and took delight in the pleasure he saw.

Eugenia Ginzburg's example comes like a great gift to light the winter darkness. Her courage is echoed in what provides an apt chant for the season. In the words of Nobel prize-winning poet and Polish exile Czeslaw Milosz:

day draws near  
another one  
do what you can.

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## Fencer Scores

by Ann Stout

Miles Phillips, 1498 Grantham St., is the youngest fencer in Minnesota to have received an official C classification from the United States Fencing Association. A 15-year-old student at Como Park High School, Phillips received the C classification in foil after winning over eighteen bouts in the Hamline tournament Dec. 13.

Bob van der Wege, coach of Minnesota Excalibur Fencing Club, noted that Miles is the first fencer in the locally based club to receive the C classification.

Phillips is a competitive fencer, van der Wege notes. Indicative of his competitive spirit was his refusal to compete in the 16-and-under matches in the Peterson Memorial Tournament held in Wayzata Dec. 6. Instead he opted for the 19-and-under matches, winning two out of three events.



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## Killmer to Perform in Park, Prepares to Leave for East

by Mary Jane Munson

Richard Killmer, who will appear in the Music in the Park concert Jan. 3, will play his last concert as oboist with the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra (SPCO) this spring.

In the summer the St. Anthony Park resident will be off to the Aspen Music Festival in Colorado for a five-week teaching and playing stint. Then in August he will move to Boston to become professor of oboe at the Eastman Conservatory of Music.



Richard Killmer

Killmer came to the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra in 1968, when 30 people competed for the position he won. Now 150 people compete for such positions, and the orchestra, which has just completed a two-week tour on the East Coast, plays to sold-out houses of appreciative audiences.

After 11 years, what does the move to Eastman mean to Richard Killmer? "It's time," he said. "We've loved St. Anthony Park, but things couldn't have worked out better. I love to teach.

"We have many friends at Eastman. Jan de Gaetani (soprano) and Phil West (oboe) will be our across-the-street neighbors, and Syd Hodgkinson does contemporary ensembles there. I will be doing a recital at Eastman in the spring. I only wish I could take Skip James (SPCO harpsichordist) with me!"

For Sidney Killmer, Killmer's wife and a violist, the move means not only establishing a new household, but also finding freelance work in the Boston area. For the past 10 years she has played with the Minnesota Opera, the last two years as principal viola.

At the Jan. 3 concert Killmer will appear with three SPCO colleagues: Thomas Tempel, oboe, Carol Smith, bassoon, and James. James will be playing a French baroque harpsichord which he considers the finest he has ever played.

The program will include works by Pergolesi, Handel, Stravinsky, as well as a Trio Commedia by Peter Schieleke. The performance will be at 4 p.m. in the St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ.

## Wetlands on Protected List

by Mollie Hoben

The Kasota wetlands, the last remaining wetlands in the District 12 area, is included on a map of proposed "public waters" in Ramsey County, published Dec. 3 by the Department of Natural Resources.

The wetlands will officially be designated as public—therefore protected—waters in 90 days from Dec. 3 if no petitions challenging the proposal are received.

This would mean a permit would be required by anyone seeking to change the area, for example by excavating, filling in, or erecting any structure, explained Sandy Fecht, hydrologist with the public waters inventory section of DNR.

The process of designating public waters in Ramsey County began in July, 1980, when a preliminary map was submitted to the county board by DNR. Fecht said. The board reviewed the map, and the DNR then responded and revised it.

If challenges to the revised, published map are made within the 90-day period, hearings will be held.

The Kasota wetlands, which contains a large pond, is located on the southwest side of the highway 280/Kasota Avenue interchange.

## Bugle Garners Press Awards

The *Bugle* received one first place award, four second place awards and one honorable mention in the medium-circulation category of the Neighborhood Press Association's 1981 newspaper competition. The results were announced at the Association's conference on Nov. 24 at the University of Minnesota.

The *Bugle* was judged to have the best design on a continuing basis and received second place awards for best newspaper, edi-

torial or column, news photography, feature photography and graphic unit. It received an honorable mention in the advertising competition.

The Elliot Park Surveyor took most of the first-place awards in the medium-circulation category, including best newspaper. Best small-circulation newspaper was the Hill and Lake Press and best large circulation newspaper was the West Side/West St. Paul Voice.

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## 'Quite an Experience'

by Jo Anne Rohricht

"It was quite an experience!" Ida Martinson and Joe Skovholt agreed, talking about their 3½ day at the White House Conference on Aging held in Washington, D.C. Nov. 20-Dec. 3.

Emotion and tension were high at the conference, according to Martinson. "I felt pressure and concern midway through; but at the end, I felt a great deal of satisfaction. A lot was accomplished. I worked very hard and was pleased that three of my resolutions were passed and a fourth was received as a minority report."

Most important, Martinson believes, is recognition that hospitals and nursing homes are not the solution in providing health care for the majority of America's elderly. A new emphasis has been placed on improving home and community health care.

Martinson, 2303 Doswell Ave., is a professor of Nursing in the University of Minnesota's School of Nursing. A delegate by virtue of her position on the Advisory Board of the National Institute on Aging, she served on the Health Care and Services Committee of the conference.

Skovholt, 1430 Raymond Ave., was a gubernatorial appointee by virtue of his work with Honeywell's Retiree Volunteer Project. Skovholt served as an observer on the Private Sector Committee.

Press and media reporting during the conference was poorly done, Skovholt feels, and sensationalism took precedence over objective reporting. Accusations against President Reagan for stacking committees were unfairly repeated, according to Skovholt, because the delegate selection process had been determined under the Carter administration. However, members of certain committees did feel their committees were stacked, Martinson said.

The viability of Social Security was the primary issue permeating all committees, Martinson and Skovholt report. There were differing recommendations coming out of the committees, some favoring the use of general funds, some opposed; but all views favored the Social Security program and wanted it strengthened.

Skovholt's and Martinson's reactions to the mechanics of the conference were mixed. "Some things were done very well," said Martinson, "the final banquet and the printing of reports and resolutions, for example. Other things were done very poorly—long lines and no chairs for the opening dinner, for example."

Many other important issues were considered at the White House conference including housing alternatives, family and community support systems, and concerns of older women. Martinson and Skovholt will discuss the conference and its implications at a community forum, Jan. 10, at the St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church at 2:30 p.m.

## Arts Grant for School

by Joanne Karvonen

The Minnesota State Arts Board recently approved a Sponsor Assistance/Arts-in-Education grant of \$850 to the newly formed St. Anthony Park School Association. Out of sixty-one applications for funds, twenty-seven grants were awarded.

This grant money, matched by an equal amount from the St. Anthony Park School Association treasury, will be used for an Arts Enrichment program at St. Anthony Park Elementary School. The purpose will be to stimulate student interest in visual, performing and literary arts by bringing artists from the greater metropolitan area to the school.

The program will begin with a one-week residency, Jan. 11-15, by local potter Mary Deneen, co-owner of Peter Deneen Pottery in St. Paul. Deneen has studied at Luther College and the University of Northern Iowa, and with master potter Marguerite Wildenhain from the Bauhaus in Germany.

Other artists who will participate in the arts enrichment program at the grade school this year include: Storytellers, a local theatre group; Eclectic Company, a folk music and folk story group, and the Rose and Thorn Puppet Theatre.

## Children's Troupe Prepares 3 Plays

The St. Anthony Park Theatre Company will present three plays on Jan. 6, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at St. Anthony Park Methodist Church.

company, are *The Magic Crystal*, *A Christmas Tale*, and *The Holiday Murders*. Roxann Christian is director.

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## Wynia, Dieterich Hear Constituents' Opinions on Budget Crisis

by Terri Ezekiel

State senator Neil Dieterich (DFL-Dist. 62) and state representative Ann Wynia (DFL-Dist. 62A) solicited the opinions of their constituents how to deal with Minnesota's current budget crisis at a town meeting Dec. 5.

Among the topics discussed at the meeting were the possible tax increases that have been suggested to increase state revenues and alternative methods of generating state income, such as a lottery or parimutuel betting.

A major concern of those attending the meeting was the hardship that property tax increases would impose on senior citizens. Wynia said that in St. Paul Gov. Quie's proposals would result, in some cases, in a 135 percent increase in property taxes for senior citizens, taking into account decreases in the availability of home-  
stead and other credits.

"This kind of increase will make many (senior citizens) candidates for nursing homes," Wynia said.

Dieterich said he thought the deficit would be balanced by a "combination of tax increases and budget cuts. We have to recognize that if we're going to fi-

nance the activities we do, we have to have tax expenditures."

But, he added, Quie's recommendation that only property taxes be increased was "impractical," and he suggested that increasing the number of times covered by the sales tax was one way of holding down property tax increases.

At the meeting Wynia presented some preliminary results of the questionnaire she mailed to about 10,000 voters in the district. As of Dec. 11 she had received about 650 replies, a response rate she said was higher than in previous surveys she had done.

The relatively high return was due to "good timing," she said. "The voters knew there were

decisions to be made shortly and they wanted to be heard."

Among the results was a general agreement (over 200 persons selecting each item) that funding for recreation and state parks, highways and worker safety programs should be cut. Those programs that the fewest respondents recommended cutting were corrections and crime control, medical assistance and special education for the handicapped.

Respondents were "very divided," Wynia said, over which taxes should be increased if necessary. Slightly favored were increases in the sales tax, corporate income tax and the repeal of tax indexing, while increases in property taxes and personal income taxes were opposed.



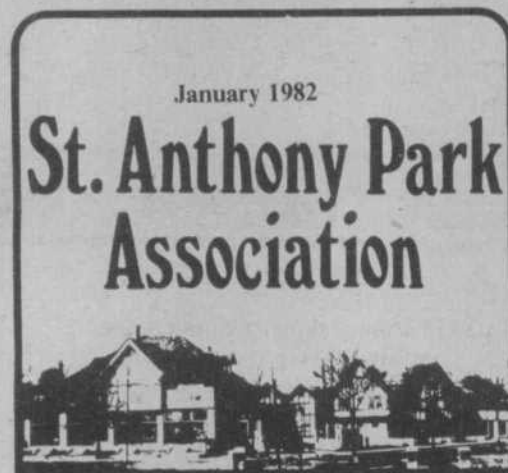
Neil Dieterich and Ann Wynia listen to citizens' comments at town meeting. Photo by Jon Madsen.

There was also more support than opposition for a state lottery and parimutuel betting, a finding which both Wynia and Dieterich said surprised them. Both said they had misgivings about legalized gambling because, they said, it tends to increase illegal gambling and organized crime involvement.

Other preliminary results suggested that respondents wanted

MTC service maintained, even at the cost of increased fares and that there was strong opposition to reducing air pollution control standards.

Responses to the survey were still coming in to Wynia's office, and she said that when it was completed, results would be mailed to those who included a return address on the questionnaire.



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### Export costs rise

Even back in the early 1960s, when parents would scold their picky children saying, "What about the starving children in India?" a savvy child might legitimately answer, "Well, send them my dinner!" That is no longer the savvy child's answer. Nor is it the savvy member's answer when a reserved meal is missed, but not canceled.

No shows are a problem at our monthly meetings. We prepare the food, need to pay the students who do the cooking, and then feel sick at the number of unclaimed meals. Sure, no shows are expected to foot the cost of their missed meal—but that creates hostility and adds billing costs, usually paid for in volunteer hours.

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### Now that's what I call living history

"I think ours was the first house in the neighbor-

hood to have electricity."

Well, ours was the first with a basement."

"We have a chandelier made by the neighborhood blacksmith."

Actually, we all know the homes in St. Anthony Park are special, but Pat Murphy, director of historical sites survey of Ramsey County knows the historical scoop and is gathering more. She'll be the guest at the January meeting of the Association to be held Jan. 12 at the United Church of Christ at 7 p.m.—dinner is served at 6.

Murphy will talk about those homes and buildings in the neighborhood that have been given historical site status and will tell us just what that means; she'll answer questions about our own homes and give us some information on the historical site survey.

- Expect slides of interesting homes in the neighborhood.
- Expect definition of historical.
- Expect to be surprised by the wealth of history that surrounds us.

### Olga's last calls

She's been doing it for a bunch of years. Monthly, her pleasant voice comes over the phone: "Will you be attending the St. Anthony Park Association dinner this month?" But this is the last month.

When she calls you this month, you might want to thank her for the times she reminded you of the meeting you'd wanted to attend but forgot to mark on your calendar. You might want to thank her for her pleasant tone. The Association thanks her.

### Growing by leaps and bounds

Some lived here for more than 10 years. Some are newcomers. All share an affection for the neighborhood in which they live. In fact some 75 people have joined the Association since this year's campaign drive began.

Three cheers for Mary Warpeha, who's chaired the drive!

Three cheers for the St. Anthony Park 75!

Three cheers for Knudsen Realty who have offered complimentary memberships to the Association with the purchase of a home in the Park.

Three cheers for the drive which continues to offer a free meal to new members.

### Wanted in Park

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WANTED: person who loves the Park.

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### Sportswriters unite

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For the latest on our local hockey stars, our Denise Long or Careem Abdul Jabbar hopefuls, and the other teams, pick up Volume I, Number I of the St. Anthony Park Boosters Newsletter from any of the local merchants.

### Even the directors meet

Once a month the directors and officers of the St. Anthony Park Association meet to discuss upcoming events, to review past events and to develop association policy. This month's meeting is on Jan. 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Peter Mann, 2249 Carter Ave.

### Take Time for SAP

This month you might want to take time to greet a neighbor you haven't seen in a while, stop and help the person whose battery won't start, take a second glance out the window as your child walks off to school, be thankful for the light at Doswell and Como, wish the kid on the night shift at Speedy a Happy New Year.

## Impressive St. Paul

"Impressive St. Paul," original handmade prints of St. Paul scenes by six St. Paul artists, will be shown at the Bibelot gallery from Jan. 8 through Feb. 15.

The prints include views of St. Anthony Park, West 7th and Dayton's Bluff and downtown St. Paul. Techniques used include photography, linocut, and silkscreen.

The artists include Mike Hazard, former *Bugle* editor, Pat Olson, former *Bugle* designer and key-liner and Gary Egger, whose linocuts of the St. Anthony Park Library and Muskego Church have been widely distributed. Other artists are Annie Scheumbauer, Chris Baird and Gaylord Schanilec.

A closing party, at which the artists will be present, is planned for Feb. 14, 3-5 p.m. at the Bibelot. The public is invited.

The prints have been self published by the artists in a limited edition of 75 sets, which are priced at \$90 each.



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## Stoplight Turned On



Stuart Maschwitz and Mayor George Latimer prepare to turn on the stoplight. Photo by Nancy Haley.

by Ann Bulger and Nadene Malo

A Currier and Ives morning greeted some 400 St. Anthony Park residents Dec. 5 as they dedicated the new traffic signal at the intersection of Como and Doswell avenues. Festivities included a "fun run" sponsored by Hardware Hank and the ascent of the KSTP hot air balloon.

Before the stoplight was officially turned on celebration chairman Joe Everson quoted Soren Kierkegaard:

"Above all do not lose your desire to walk. Everyday I walk myself into a state of well-being and walk away from every illness. I have walked myself into my best thoughts and I know of no thought too burdensome that one cannot walk away from it." (from Kierkegaard's letter to a distressed niece.)

Mayor George Latimer commented, "Where else (than in St. Anthony Park) would a stoplight be turned on with a quote from Kierkegaard."

Several speakers followed Everson, among them St. Anthony Park Association president Steve Wellington, who said, "It's a dream fulfilled for the Park."

City Council members Ron Maddox and George McMahon congratulated Park residents for their perseverance in lobbying for the light. State legislators Ann Wynia and Neil Dieterich sent greetings, but were unable to attend because of a town meeting they were conducting that day.

At about 10:45 a.m., Latimer and Park resident Stuart Maschwitz threw the switch. Stuart, 9, was hit by a car at the intersection in July 1980, and it was his accident that intensified the successful effort to install the traffic light.

A greenlight signaled the start of the 1.2 mile fun walk-jog-run, in which about 200 persons, from infants to octogenarians, walked, jogged or ran past the commercial center, the library, College Park, and Murray, finishing at Luther Seminary.

After hot cider was served in front of the Lutheran Church, the KS95 truck rolled up. A hot air balloon was unrolled, filled with air, and floated up into the gorgeous sky amid cheers and ahs.

Local merchants contributed to the occasion, too. Bridgeman's donated balloons and Miller

Pharmacy supplied donut holes. Speedy Market and the St. Anthony Park Bank jointly provided the cider. Speedy Market and Lederviva served refreshments.

Although everyone seemed pleased finally to have a stoplight at the corner, waiting for the light may take some getting used to. Several people started to dash across Como, forgetting to check the light. As they jumped back on the curb, some were heard mumbling, "We can't just run across anymore. We need to wait for the light."

"Some of us young men have become older and slower while waiting for this light," District 12 representative Gale Frost.

Park resident Lois Thorstenson is one of the most appreciative neighbors of the new light. She has lived near the corner for 43 years and has attempted to cross Como an estimated 15,695 times.

"It felt like the 4th of July in December," Linda Maschwitz, mother of Stuart Maschwitz, whose accident in 1980 added urgency to the ongoing effort to install the signal.



Old habits die hard. Pedestrians start to cross against the light. Photo by Nadene Malo.

Enid Griffin, long-time Park resident, remembers the Como-Doswell corner of the 1930s as a blockade keeping her from attending the "real" elementary school located on the present site of the St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church parking lot. Griffin said all children living on the Grantham side of Como attended kindergarten, first and second grades at Murray Junior High School because of fears that "little kids couldn't cross Como to the grade school."

"This (stoplight) is going to mean the kids can have closer friends across the street (Como)," Katherine Eklund, Park resident.

Stuart Maschwitz, who helped Mayor Latimer trip the switch on the new stoplight, proved to be more a man of action than words as he waved enthusiastically to the crowd, but simply said "No" when asked if he wanted to say a few words. Latimer then commented, "Children are often wiser than politicians."



## Community Celebrates New Light



More than 70 joggers and walkers participated in the 1.2 mile fun run. Photo by Nadene Malo.



Grandmother/granddaughter jogging team Carolyn and Marabeth Magnusson enjoyed some after-race refreshments. Marabeth, 4½, was the youngest runner to complete the race. Photo by Nadene Malo.



Crowd watches as the hot-air balloon is inflated. Photo by Nancy Haley.



Above, long-time Park residents Margaret Hooper (left) and Enid Griffin reminisced about past efforts to have a signal installed. Photo by Nadene Malo.

Left, new Park resident Ellie Shardlow watches the people. Photo by Nadene Malo.



# Park Bugle 12

**KEILLOR**  
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Having accomplished all of this, they could look forward to an hour's wait for the opportunity to meet Minnesota's favorite son and get his signature.

Despite the turmoil and confusion, everyone seemed to be having a good time. Many had come to buy a book and get it autographed as a Christmas gift for friends and family.

Alden Drew, who lives in Merriam Park, said, pointing to the two books in his hand, "These are Christmas presents. I have a sister in California who is a regular listener to Garrison's Saturday show, and she is going to get one."

Karen Gerst, who lives on Hoyt Street, was sending one of the books in the opposite direction. Her son is doing his residency in Schenectady, New York, and remains, as she put it, "a very enthusiastic fan of Garrison's." She added with a sigh, "I was just going to whip over and get this book for him." The whipping was going to take at least another forty-five minutes.

Marnee Monahan, who lives near Como Park, had two books under her arm. "One is a gift, and one is for me," she said. "Garrison is a friend of my son's."

Betty Quie, standing just ahead of Monahan in line was asked a favor by a friend: "Betty, I have to go home. Do you think Garrison would sign a book for me through you?" Quie thought he would and agreed to try it. It was already 5:30 p.m., the normal closing time for Wednesday, but the library would remain open an extra hour for the book-signing.

Steve Brehe, a Park resident who teaches technical writing at the University of Minnesota, was lucky (or foresighted) enough to be among the first in line. "I like Garrison very much both as a writer and as a radio personality," he said. "We moved here from Missouri four years ago, and it didn't take us long to catch on."

From somewhere near the book table above the noise of the crowd a man's voice could be heard remarking on Keillor's new look. "He used to have a beard," he said in a tone of evident surprise. "He used to have a big, long beard."

"In Eastport, Maine, the easternmost restaurant owner in the country, Buford Knapp, paused between orders of eggs and hash-

browns to raise his prices another nickel."

—from "How It Was in America a Week Ago Tuesday," in "Happy to Be Here"

Seated in his office at the MPR studios in downtown St. Paul, Garrison Keillor does not give the appearance of celebrity. He leans back in his office chair, props his heavy brown work boots on the front edge of his desk, and takes a pull on a long filtered cigarette almost half of which by this time is ash.

He is not wearing glasses, and his face seems remarkably full, his dark, almost black eyebrows growing like thickets off the corners of his mind. Having shaved off his beard, he could pass for a business executive, or a pastor in a small town church.

Thoughtfully he considers his answer to a question about the two halves of his career, the separate sides of his public personality—writing and broadcasting. Do they conflict with one another, or are they generally compatible? Is it just like standing on two feet?

"I sort of shift from foot to foot," he decides, as if he must lean a little to one way, then the other, in order to work successfully in each field. "For the last few

years," he admits, "I've been spending lots more time on radio." And evidently the particular requirements of radio make the image of Garrison Keillor not entirely comical.

"When you work in radio," he says, "you work for an organization, and you work in an office." The office itself, he suggests, can cause problems you wouldn't otherwise encounter.

"In some ways you're like a magnet that attracts iron filings," he explains. "People send manuscripts. They want to know if they should become writers. They want to know if they should go into radio broadcasting. All this takes a lot of time away from what I think I'm supposed to be doing."

Sitting up in his chair to light another cigarette, Keillor adds, "but I'm not complaining. It comes with the territory."

The "territory" to which he refers is success. Over the last ten years Keillor has become a recognizable talent and personality not only in Minnesota but throughout the United States.

His Saturday night radio program, "A Prairie Home Companion," is carried by more than

100 public radio stations from coast to coast. His stories and comic pieces have been published in the New Yorker and more recently, in the Atlantic Monthly—major magazines with readership of hundreds of thousands. Articles have been written about him in Time, Newsweek, and the Wall Street Journal.

Keillor seems to have reached a point where he could, if he desired, depart Minnesota and move on to the big time in New York or Los Angeles.

"Never!" declares Keillor with surprising emphasis. "I have lived in Minnesota all my life and I feel that I belong here."

"I don't consider writing for the New Yorker to be a form of moving on," he adds. "I can do it from here. I don't have to live in New York. I don't even have to go to New York."

"The radio show going national is the same thing," he explains. "It doesn't require that I move

on. If going national had required me to move even to Chicago, I would never have done it. Never."

In New York, Craig Claiborne arose briefly for a glass of tomato juice. As he did so, Fargo housewife Eula Larpenieur prepared fried eggs, following Claiborne's recipe ... In New Haven, sophomore Raymond Doswell took ten minutes to remember the composition of methane."  
—from "How It Was in America a Week Ago Tuesday"

The doors of the St. Anthony Park library did not close on Dec. 9 at 6:30 as expected. The extra hour had not been enough. The line of people waiting to meet Garrison Keillor seemed endless, and the lights were still on in the reading room at 8:30. Keillor gamely stood his ground, and signed the books as they were handed to him.

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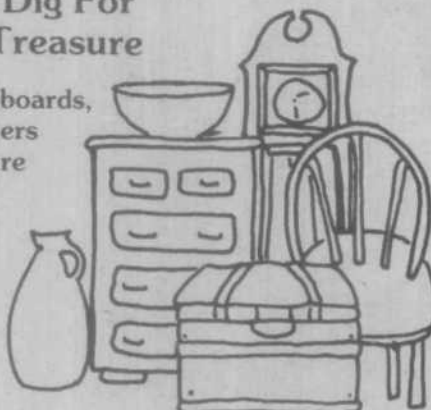


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Wednesday: 12:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.  
Thursday: 12:30 p.m.-9 p.m.  
Friday: 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
Saturday: Closed  
Sunday: Closed

Due to reduced staff levels, library-sponsored adult and children's programming has been cancelled at the St. Anthony Park branch. The library staff wishes to thank Jane Gagnelius, a li-

brary volunteer for conducting story hours at the South St. Anthony Recreation Center on Tuesday afternoons, and is seeking volunteers to conduct future morning story hours at the library.

Beginning Jan. 4, the maximum load period for most library books and materials will be three weeks. Check the transaction card in the back of the item for the exact due date.

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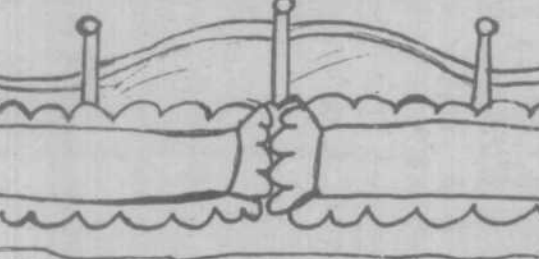
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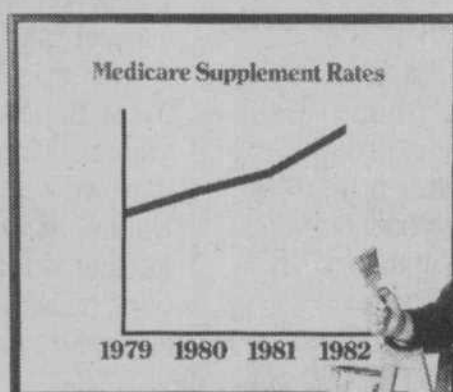
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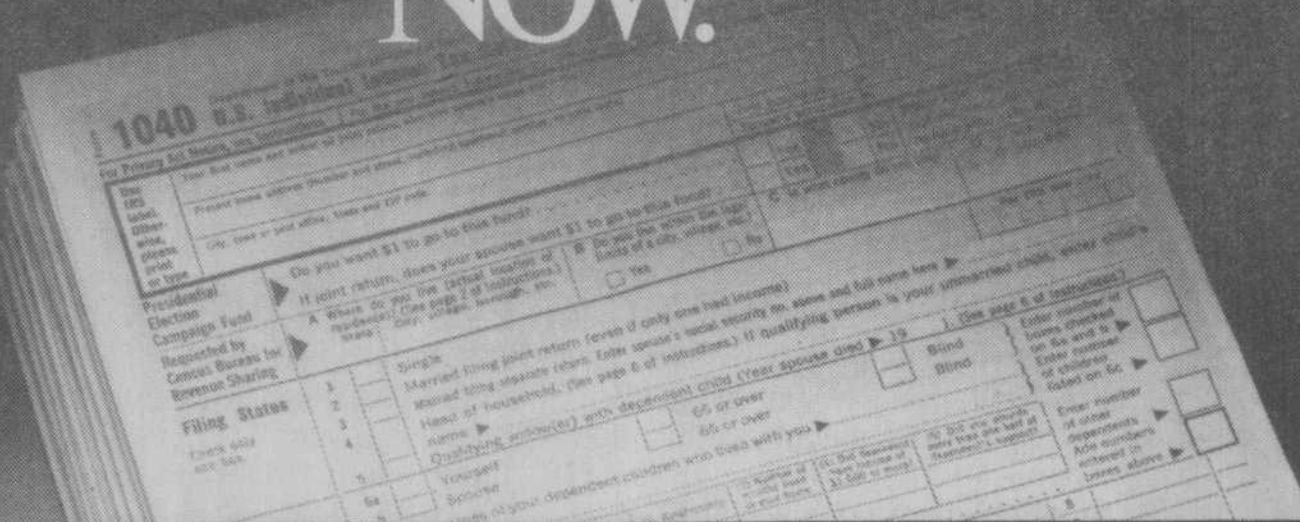
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## Merchants Plan Marques To Promote Shops

By Diane Nelson

The hometown atmosphere of St. Anthony Park is one of its special qualities, and according to Dwight Vogt, it's a quality the Merchants Association is striving to maintain.

The Merchants Association was formed on a trial basis in April 1980 in an effort to bring the existing businesses together and to promote commerce in the Park area.

The association held elections for 1982 at the November meeting. New officers are president, Dwight Vogt, assistant manager of Muffuletta restaurant, secretary, Ed Rajtar, co-owner of Europa Unlimited, and treasurer, Liz Borich, owner of Design Concepts.

The association's efforts to this

point have dealt primarily with advertising. Its newest endeavor will be the placement of marquees in strategic places throughout the business district. The marquees will include a map of the Park area and a directory of the local businesses.

The listing will include 20-35 local businesses, both members and non-members of the Association. Forty to 50 percent of the funding for the directories will come from city funding, with the association taking up the slack.

The merchants will approve the plans for the marquees at their January meeting and hope to install them soon.

About 40 percent of the merchants in St. Anthony Park belong to the association. According to Vogt the purpose of the Association is to bring the mer-

chants together and to create a general concern for the commercial district. In the future Vogt would like the organization to broaden its concerns from basic advertising to more service-oriented projects, such as parking problems and general upkeep of Como Avenue.

Vogt wishes to extend an invitation to members of the community who are interested in the association to attend meetings, which are usually held on the first Friday of every month at Muffuletta restaurant.

## News from Como High

by Ann Bulger

Christmas was a little merrier for 65 needy families, thanks to students from Como Park Senior High School who provided a ham dinner and all the trimmings. Donations of food and money were gathered together at the Mistletoe Magic Assembly on Dec. 18 and taken to families selected from the Ramsey Action Foodshelf program.

Another December assembly honored fall athletes for successful seasons. The girls' swim team suffered only one defeat, the first conference loss ever (after three years of competition). Lisa Stroehein set a new city record in diving. The cross-country team went to the state meet. The volleyball team had a winning season, and the football team had only three losses, all to state-ranked teams.

Scheduling for second semester at Como will take place Jan. 11-15. Final exams will be Jan. 25-27. Thursday, Jan. 28, is secondary teachers' record day, and Friday, Jan. 29, is inservice day for teachers. Both are free days for students, giving them a long weekend before the start of a new semester on Feb. 1.

The two-semester schedule is new this year, after many years of trimesters.

Newsletters were mailed to parents in mid-December, but many did not receive them. Principal Vern Kenyon says that St. Paul Public Schools' data-processing center is the "miracle of all miracles." There are 1500 students at Como, and for the first newsletter 1800 mailing labels arrived at the school. For the December letter, only 1100 appeared. Because of the late date, there was no time to cross-check names, so 400 families were without letters. Kenyon hopes that parents understand the problems and the work being done to correct it.

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## ST. ANTHONY PARK'S COMMUNITY CALENDAR JANUARY

### Sunday/3

Music in the Park, United Church of Christ, 4 p.m.

### Monday/4

St. Paul public schools in session

### Tuesday/5

"Twelfth Night feast of song and food" with the Livingston Consort, 7:30 p.m. Dinner preceding concert at 6 p.m. Reservations call 645-3058. St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 2136 Carter Ave.

St. Anthony Park Association board meeting, 7:30 p.m.

### Wednesday/6

Leisure Center activities, meeting but no program, United Methodist Church, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

### Thursday/7

District 12 physical committee meeting, 2380 Hampden Ave., 5 p.m.

### Friday/8

Junior Royalty local coronation, Langford-NW Como parks at NW Como, Hamline and Hoyt, 8 p.m.

### Sunday/10

Community forum on White House Conference on Aging, St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 2323 Como Ave., 2:30 p.m.

### Monday/11

District 12 human services meeting, 2380 Hampden Ave., 7 p.m.

### Tuesday/12

St. Anthony Park Association, United Church of Christ, dinner and program 5:45 p.m.

### Wednesday/13

Leisure Center activities, Gladys and Walter Sandgren with slides on Norwegian fjords, United Methodist Church, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

District 12 Council meeting, 2380 Hampden Ave., 7 p.m.

### Thursday/14

St. Anthony Park School Association board meeting, SAP Elementary School, 7:30 p.m.

### Saturday/16

Rummage Sale, Corpus Christi church, Buford and Cleveland, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

### Monday/18

League of Women Voters, Unit 8 meeting at Genevieve Hall's, 1484 Chelsea St. (489-8263) 7:30 p.m.

### Wednesday/20

Leisure Center activities, speaker from Metropolitan Senior Center, United Methodist Church, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

### Wednesday/27

Leisure Center activities, Dorothy Conlin: Elderhostel, United Methodist Church, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Langford Booster Club, recreation center, 7:30 p.m.

### Thursday/28

Secondary Teachers' report day

### Friday/29

Inservic day, no school for elementary and secondary schools.



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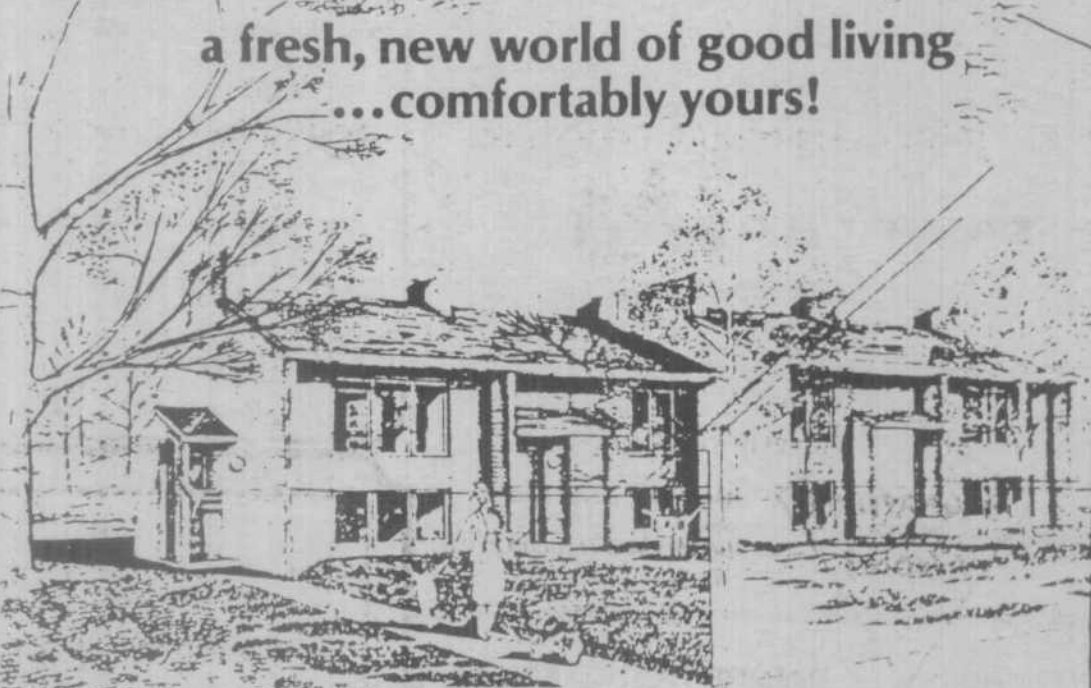
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