By Joel Schurke

"When it comes, it comes. There's not a lot you can do. You can't light a fire under their rear ends," John Chamberlin snipped.

Chamberlin's fatalistic feelings are in response to proposals for some of the development of an industrial/residential area west of I-540. A development plan calls for the destruction of his home. The plan, if it should be implemented, is preliminary. The preliminary status of the plan leaves the residents of these eight homes on Eustis in the unfamiliar position of knowing that they will be impacted by the development but not knowing when that time will come.

"You have things that need to be done like replacing windows for the winter, but you don't know if you should spend the money. They [St. Paul Port Authority] said we'd know in six months. That was last spring and you don't know what the hell to do. What the people here would like is a definite answer," Chamberlin said.

Chamberlin's daughter Denise Upp and her husband Jerry purchased the house next door two years ago. It was their first home—a white equity investment. After renovating the first floor of the house and gutting the second floor they were notified of the proposed development. Now the Upps own development plans are on hold.

"We went to the meetings and they just looked at us as if to say, 'So? We're pretty ticked off because our house is one that is going. This is our first home. We bought it as a starter home; now we're really disappointed. We are sitting here wondering when they are going to come. Are we going to wake up and find the bulldozer there?'" Denise Upp wondered.

The District 12 council has held a series of meetings over the past year to keep these residents and business owners informed of plans to develop the area and to provide a forum where concerns about the development can be voiced.

During the Oct. 2 meeting of the District 12 Physical Planning Committee a motion

was passed to send the Port Authority a letter "requesting that homes and businesses in the area be notified as promptly as possible concerning what is happening with their properties, including information about the advisability of current upkeep or improvement of these properties between now and the time they are sold." It was a motion that

apparently didn't move anybody at the Port Authority into action. That is understandable in one respect because the plan is preliminary. Sending a letter of that sort might confuse even more people about the decision processes involved in undertaking a development of such magnitude.

...are we going to wake up and find the bulldozer there?

When informed that some of the residents on Eustis were less than happy about the Port Authority's efforts to keep them informed about the development, Chuck McCann, member of the District 12 Physical Planning Committee and president of the Midway Civic and Commerce Association said he was shocked. "I suppose the Port Authority is assuming that as far as feelings. There are a lot of problems caused [in this kind of] development and not necessarily cared." McCann's assumption is accurate. Chuck Towe, director of industrial development for the St. Paul Port Authority, said, "They [the residents on Eustis] were originally notified when the Redevelopment to 14

Some play guitars; Meyers builds them

By Karen Knepper Frideell

The belief "if you want something, you don't buy it; you create it" has been shared among the Tom Meyers family for generations. That belief, and a desire for a musical instrument, started Falcon Heights' Meyers making guitars.

He makes them very well. Last summer, his second guitar, a finely-crafted 12-string, won a blue ribbon at the state fair. Meyers may even be more well-known than his other guitars, however; well-known folk singer Anne Hills has borrowed a Meyers guitar on at least two occasions, once at the Coffeeshop Extremo in Falcon Heights, and again on the main stage of the Winnipeg Folk Festival in front of some 35,000 people.

Meyers, a junior high school biology teacher, has always enjoyed just about every kind of music. He began getting seriously interested in folk music several years ago. "I could sing a little bit, but I didn't know it was worth a darn," he says, and he knew very little about guitars when he decided he wanted one better than the "Sears & Roebuck Special" he owned. But when he started looking into acquiring the kind he wanted—handmade—he decided he could make one

himself. A lot of good books, the help of a local guitarist, Meyers' scientific background and some help from Meyers produced not one, but three guitars his first year. The instruments are works of art, meticulously crafted from several different exotic woods and polished to a high sheen, but the shape, quality and thickness of wood and interior bracing gives them their superior sound.

"People say, 'Is it a science or an art?'" Meyers says. "I think it's a little bit of both.' His scientific background and his familiarity with laboratories—his workshops appear almost surgically sterile—certainly have helped. He makes careful observations along the way and has a bound full of drawings and notations from his efforts. He keeps very careful track of the humidity, in the storage of wood, the making of the instruments and the storage of his finished product.

His finished product definitely can be called art. The tops of the nine guitars he has made are Alaskan or British Columbia sitka spruce, the fingerboards and bridge are ebony, and the sides and backs are either East Indian.

Guitars to 8

Life in a war zone: Nicaraguan shares experiences

By Mary Mergenthaler

I knew the Nicaraguan people were poor," said Kevin Dragseth. "But before Alba came to our home I didn't know exactly how poor they were or how they lived with that."

Dragseth, a St. Anthony Park seventh grader, probably has a deeper understanding of the economic and political difficulties of Nicaraguans than many in this area. That's because his family recently hosted Alba del Socorro Reyes for a week. She was one of eleven young Nicaraguans who visited Minnesota. It was the first time since the 1979 revolution that a youth exchange had taken place between Nicaragua and the United States. It was also the first exchange to involve Nicaraguan youth from working-class families rather than performers or students from upper-class families.

The visit was a program of Project Minnesota/Leon (PML), a non-political sister state organization formed by Minnesotans to foster friendship and communication between the two countries. While in the Twin Cities,

PML visitor to 7

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Alba del Socorro Reyes enjoys showing photos from home to Kristin, Hal, Kevin and Pamela Dragseth.

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Recycle

The next recycling pickup day in District 12 is Wednesday, Dec. 10. Following are a few points the hauler, Super Cycle, would like to share with neighborhood residents.

Recyclables should be on the curb by 7 a.m. of the pickup day. If you can't get them out that early, try putting them out the evening before.

Please do not use plastic bags to hold recyclables. The haulers don't have time to open plastic bags to determine if they contain recyclables or trash. Plastic bags will be left on the curb.

On heavy pickup days, the hauler quickly runs out of space to store the garbage sacks many people use to hold their recyclables. One suggestion is to use plastic trash cans, plastic laundry baskets or sturdy cardboard boxes. They will be left on the curb for residents' future use.

Please remember that recycling signs serve only as reminders. Please put your recyclables on the curb in front of your own home.

Your participation and cooperation are appreciated. As Tom Madick of Super Cycle said, "If you do your job well, we can do our job better." Recycling is an easy, but very important, way by which all of us can help to protect our environment. If you have any comments or concerns about the recycling service, please call the District 12 office at 646-8884.

Jean Trudel

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The District 12 Community Council is a group of 21 citizens elected to serve the District 12 area of St. Paul, including residents of north and south St. Anthony Park, commerce and industry. It is one of 17 citizen participation councils in the city.

The council meets the second Wednesday of every month. All meetings are open to the public. Check for location.

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Changing strategies with the tax bill

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Because the new law phases our consumer credit interest expense as a deductible item except for first and second mortgages, home equity financing looks very attractive for many consumers. You may benefit from the ability to consolidate your current debt and secure it to your home.

By staying on top of the tax law changes, the First Banks can give you the information you need to understand your new financial choices and provide the help you need to make good decisions. Talk to your personal banker about home equity loans or any financial strategy questions you may have.

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Neighbors

St. Anthony Park resident, David B. Laid Jr., has been named vice president for planning and development at Carleton College, Northfield, MN. In announcing the appointment, Carleton President David H. Porter said, "David Laid brings to his new position at Carleton a depth of experience in the areas of finance and administration, a broad understanding of the complex relationships between public policy and education and an imaginative and dynamic approach to Carleton's fund-raising needs." Tim Harding, local artist and St. Anthony Park resident, recently received a $15,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. The grant, which is for the year 1986-87, is designated to help Harding pursue esthetic investigation. In addition, Harding currently has a piece on display at the American Craft Museum in New York. The show includes the first national survey of crafts since 1960. The New York Times, in its review of the show, included a photograph and positive comment on Harding's work.

National Music Teachers Association held its state level auditions Nov. 8 at St. John's College in Collegeville. Brian Krieste was first place winner in both the high school string category and high school piano category. Lauren Rantapaus was second place winner in the high school piano category. As first place winner, Krieste will be competing at the regional level Jan. 10 in both the piano and strings category.

Georgette Pfannschl, St. Anthony Park, who hosts the show "Bonjour Minnesota" on Fresh Air Radio, 90.3 FM, will feature a Christmas program of French music on Dec. 23, 9-11 a.m.

Dr. Lloyd Swendsby, president of Luther Northwestern Seminary and vice president of the American Lutheran Church (ALC), was elected Nov. 3 as the 19th president of Augsburg College, Sioux Falls, S.D.

"I am a product of the prairie, and Augustana is a college of the prairie," Swendsby said. He indicated that he would change the historical prairie setting to respond to a call from the college and that he looks Neighbors to 13
Editorial

Editorial gratitude

This paper is printed the day before our national day of Thanksgiving. It is, obviously, a time for personal and corporate lists of thanks. It's a chance to recall with gratitude events and people in our lives and to reflect on their importance in our development and their challenge for our future. At the risk of redundancy with all of the similar lists readers are making or digesting at this time, allow me to comment a bit on my list as Bugle editor.

I'm grateful for...

...readers who appear to wait for monthly issues of the Bugle and who devour those issues with at least as much enthusiasm as they devour their turkey.

...the Park Press board whose care for the paper is continuous and imaginative and whose personal and professional support for me has been incredibly significant this year, especially Joel Schurke, my editor, whose energy insight and humor make each month's tasks more enjoyable and whose willingness and ability to step in with weekend last minute was significant in keeping this paper afloat, to say nothing of keeping me afloat.

...readers who comment on articles they like, question articles with which they disagree and who make suggestions about articles they'd like to read in the Bugle.

...Kathy Magnussen, the paper's business manager, whose pragmatic and unflappable style makes many decisions easier and many daily tasks less frustrating.

...residents of Falcon Heights, Lauderdale, St. Anthony Park and Energy Park who never fail to do interesting things which make the only problem of finding appealing stories one of sorting and choosing.

...staff members who seem to enjoy drawing and writing and taking pictures and proofing and layout even though they don't get rich quick or famous fast for their effort.

I'm fortunate to be blessed with such supportive co-workers and such a receptive audience. Thanks for being a part of it!

By Mary Mergenthaler
December 1986

Uninformation

There is something appealing about glossy photographs. They are definitely more popular than the matte finish type. Why that is, isn't clear. When you look at glossy photos, especially under bright light, it often is difficult to delineate the details of the photograph's images.

Then there is the St. Paul Port Authority. The Port Authority is a rather ubiquitous organization that offices in the glossy Amhoist Tower. The Port Authority is responsible, in part—a large part that is, for many of the industrial redevelopment projects that appear in St. Paul. But as for a clear description of what the Port Authority is, well, that's a glossy matter.

Much of what the Port Authority does comes in big packages. These big packages usually have big price tags attached. Big prices require big pocket books—like the ones taxpayers have.

Voila, tax increment financing, a virtual makes-everyone-happy approach to securing the enormous sums of money necessary for redevelopment. Tax increment financing, however, is glossy. It is very difficult to see the details of tax increment financing, especially the long-range implications. Opponents of tax increment financing see no evils. Opponents do what is needed is an in-depth study of how tax increment financing will affect St. Paul.

The Port Authority's approach seems to be one of "uninformation"—that is, what is not known must not be had. A call to the Port Authority yielded very little response to the question of what long-term effects will come of tax increment financing. Little responses to big questions seem to be popular with the Port Authority.

The residents of Eustis, west of Highway 280, have some smaller questions for the Port Authority, such as, when are the bulldozers coming? These eight homes that border a blighted industrial area are destined for demolition if the Port Authority receives the approval needed to designate the industrial redevelopment area as a tax increment district.

The Eustis residents have been informed that they will probably be leaving their homes. What the residents do not know is when.

The Port Authority knows (or at least has been told) that there is a lack of understanding among the Eustis residents of how the redevelopment process occurs. The Port Authority knows the details behind the gloss and could advise the residents on what they should do before the bulldozers come.

Joel Schurke
December, 1986

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Forgiveness from Above

Hallelujah! I have been forgiven! The ugliness of my many sins and transgressions has been taken away, and all has been made clean and white and pure. Hallelujah!

There are some folks in the neighborhood who are quite aware that I have committed my share of sins and transgressions. But for those of you who are less enlightened, let me enumerate.

To take a tour of my house and yard, you may be tempted to the impression that I am kind of a slob. There are quite a lot of chores around the old spread which need doing, and which have needed doing for quite a while now. Take the plants which have sprouted in the gutter over my front door, what we refer to as our rose garden. The seeds which germinated there were blown in on the breezes of two or three years back. That next spring there were cute little green faces peaking over the edge of the gutter. Isn't that the way that so much sinning starts out... small, innocent little hoo-hoos which would be so easy to nip in the bud? But, of course, I always had something better to do, and the little hoo-hoos in my gutter kept right on growing. Now they tower over my yard, yet I don't even notice them anymore (such is the nature of sin), unless I am bringing a stranger to the house, when I find myself making embarrassed excuses for the heathens.

Then there's the pile of junk by the back alley, left over from when we cleaned out the garage and the basement several months ago. There are some lawn chairs, an ax, garden tools, a couple of rusty bikes. It's all good stuff, really. It just needs to be gone through and cleaned up and put in its proper place. I've intended to do it for quite a while, and I still intend to do it, any day now. Such also is the nature of sin, that one always intends to repent... maybe tomorrow, or next weekend or on New Year's eve.

Among the stuff from the garage there is supposed to be a garden rake, but that's lying out in the middle of the yard. You see, I was waiting on one of the flower beds sometime in August, when I got called in to the phone. Somehow the job never got finished and the rake never got put away. And every time I walk out into the back yard, I am reminded that I really should pick up that rake, but I always have something in my hands, or I'm in a hurry, or I'll get one of the kids to do it. I should go out and pick it up right now, while I'm thinking about it. But this story is due tomorrow morning... And I just know that some day I will pay for that sin by stepping on the upturned tines and getting a handle right in the head. Yet even though I know that punishment is certain, I am human and weak, and so my sin remains in the middle of the yard, waiting to clodder me.

The grass which should have been mowed one more time before winter. The hose that still lies sprawled out across the lawn. The dead geraniums still standing in their pots on my porch. The list of my sins, I must confess, is quite a lengthy one. But I long for the day that, for now, I have been granted forgiveness. It fell from the sky in big, white, frozen flakes and covered up everything!

Illustration by Warren Hanson

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Letter from Como, the elder Dr. Boyd was on the faculty at the University of Iowa, and he was a member of the faculty at the University of Minnesota.

Complained to one of the Twin Cities’ top chess players in those days.

Keep up the superb work with the Blog. I’m sure the year ahead, with the centennial coming up, will provide a wealth of nostalgic stories that will refresh the memories of us old timers who once lived in "THE PARK."

James S. Fish

Campaign complaint

Editor:

I was not connected with Bob Fletcher’s campaign for state senator but I have high regard for him. It upsets me that he lost the election to a candidate whose supporters manipulated the media by planting campaign propaganda disguised as letters to the editor. I am referring to the documented evidence that the same letter to the editor word for word, showed up in the St. Paul Pioneer Press and St. Paul Bulletin and the Park Bugle supposedly written by different people. Even an algorythm at this time by the guilty parties would not undo the damage that has been done.

James Ashworth

Thanks

To the editor:

Thank you to the voters in district 65 for your support in the recent election. It has been a pleasure to meet so many of you during the campaign.

I will work hard to provide effective representation for the residents of St. Paul, and I will continue to work on your concerns. Please contact me with your ideas and suggestions.

Thank you for your opportunity to serve.

John Marty

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Granteds, we have many reasons to complain about the snow which controls our lives for so many months each year. But it sure does cover up a lot. In fact, it does more than merely cover up my sins. It makes them downright beautiful!

The weeds which came from my gutters now stand like gleaming white spires, turning this house of sin into a majestic white cathedral, reaching toward the heavens. And the dead geraniums, now crowned with army capped soldiers, standing at attention in crystal uniformson either side of my front door.

The tangle of bikes and lawn furniture out by the alley has been transformed into a wonderful white sculpture, the angles rounded, the sharp edges softened by the newly fallen abdomen from above. Blight has become beauty. (I wonder if my neighbors agree?)

The too-long grass is now gone. The hose too has vanished under the powder puff that has been bestowed upon me, the undeserving. How I can ever show my thanks?

Well, one thing I know for sure: if you are given the gift of forgiveness for all your housewifery’s sins, it would be downright ungrateful if you just shovelled it away! Why, that would be tantamount to saying, "I am perfectly content being a sinner, and all this forgiveness that keeps piling up is just going to keep me from getting regular mail delivery unless I get it out of here!" I just don’t think that such an attitude is a proper display of respect. In fact, I am positive that, if I grab my snow shovel and start heaving that forgiveness out of the way, that long woodladder of punishment that now lies before me is going to arise from where it hides and smack me right in the nose. (Besides, I’m not at all sure that I could find my snow shovel anyway. I think that I didn’t put it away last spring and now it’s lost. It was the beginning of my big spring springing spree.)

Oh, there are still those among you who will not accept this forgiveness from above. You will try to deny it with showels. You will try to deny it with roof rakes. You will try to deny it by blowing it into your neighbor’s yards with noisy machines. But it will be in vain. Forgiveness comes freely to us all. We have but to accept it as a glorious gift from on high, then sit back and take it easy the rest of the winter. Hear my words for I have seen the white. Amen.

Illustration by Charlie Sanders

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Dear editor,

Enclosed is money for my subscription to the Bugle for another year. This I realize is more than the subscription price. If you can do so, and still have a fair sum over the subscription amount (for your fund drive), I was wondering if you would be willing to send a contribution to the Blue Nurses Program with my sincerest congratulations on winning an award. I am sure the Blue Nurses do a wonderful work and deserve the award.

I continue to enjoy each issue of the Bugle and look forward to its arrival. It continues to be, in my estimation, a very high quality publication and gives me a real picture of what is in St. Anthony Park.

With this note I extend my sincere wishes for a merry Christmas and a happy and successful 1987 to each one of you in any way with the Bugle. May Thanksgiving Day be a real day of thanks giving for each of you.

Robert M. Brooking

New South Wales, Australia
William R. Marshall:
Pioneer statesman

By John G. Shepard

Disembarking from the train and driving northward by carriage from the St. Anthony Park railroad station, near that is now the Raymond Avenue bridge, a visitor to this corner of 19 years ago would have soon noticed an imposing Victorian mansion on one of the high terraces. Sweeping staircases made of flagstones led to covered porches on two sides of the house. Several brick chimneys reached above its multi-peaked roof. And rising still higher over the mansion and its adjacent water tower and stables, a single turret commanded a broad view in all directions.

The grandeur and prominence of this estate were in apt proportion to the status of the man who had occupied this magnificent manse of tremendous energy who, as a Minnesota governor, Detroit, and St. Paul, Minnesota, renaissance businessman, was at the head of many of the most important events of his day. His name was William Rainey Marshall.

Marshall was born to pioneer parents of Scotch-Irish ancestry near Columbia, Missouri, on October 17, 1825. His frontier boyhood ended with several years of working in and around the lead mines of Galena, Illinois where he developed skills as a surgeon. Though he had little formal schooling and despite the vagaries of his youth, he was, according to a newspaper of his time, "by nature and training a gentleman, and his intellectual and mental qualities were of the highest order.

Having moved to St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin, in the spring of 1846, Marshall set out on foot the following autumn for the falls of St. Anthony on the Mississippi River, which at that time was, "plunging and turbulent cataracts, wild and uncontrollable as when Hennepin saw them in 1680."

Within two years Marshall had performed a culminating act of his early days beside the sawmill and several other buildings that comprised a small village. With his brother, Joseph, he established a general hardware. With the introduction of St. Anthony, 24-year-old Marshall surveyed and platted the burgeoning village location of its settlers. He was also a "leading member" of the Stillwater convention in 1848 and was elected to the first territorial legislature which met in St. Paul in the fall of 1849. To "attend to his public duties," recalled his sister, Rebecca M. Cathcart, Marshall often walked the entire distance from St. Anthony to the territory's capital.

In 1851 Marshall moved to St. Paul and established his first hardware store three years before the community incorporated as a city. He married Abby Langford of Utica, New York, and built a modest two-story clapboard house on the corner of Wabasha and Fourth streets; in the heart of a city that was growing too fast to keep pace with itself.

Marshall was quick to take advantage of the many opportunities to profit from St. Paul's skyrocketing growth. From 1849 to 1857 the city's population expanded from 910 to 9,973 and during those years Marshall added a successful banking house to his thriving hardware business enterprise. When the economic panic of 1857 overwhelmed his bank project Marshall simply shifted his focus once again and engaged himself in farming and stock-raising, bringing to Minnesota the first herds of highbred cattle.

By 1861, now at the age of 31, Marshall was in a financial position to purchase two newspapers, the St. Paul Daily Times and the Minnesotaan, and merge them into a new paper—the St. Paul Press, which 14 years later became the Pioneer Press. As well as being a sound financial endeavor, the establishment of this new paper—which became "the leading Republican journal of the state"—was also important in the continuing development of Marshall's political career. Following his service in the territorial legislature, Marshall presided over the founding of the Republican party in Minnesota in 1854; his involvement in the party continued through the last of Paul Press's editorial support of Governor Alexander Ramsey who successfully ran for the United States Senate in 1862. The assistance Marshall provided secured his position in what one historian has referred to as the "Ramsey dynasty."

A different facet of Marshall's character began to blossom the same year he was returned to the Respondent Abraham Lincoln's urgent call for more volunteers following the defeat of the Union army in Richmond. Marshall was masterful into service at Fort Snelling and commissioned as Lieutenent Colonel of the Minnesota Seventh Regiment.

Within days the conflagration between the Dakota Indians and white settlers along the upper Mississippi River suddenly exploded into bloodshed.

Leading untrained and very poorly equipped troops, Marshall rushed to the aid of soldiers at Fort Ripley carrying a glowing letter of introduction from Governor Ramsey to commanding officer General H.H. Sibley. In December of that year, 1862, Marshall was present at the bunging of 38 Dakota at Mankato, an event which has gained the infamous status of being the largest mass execution in the history of the United States.

During war ensuing battles against the Dakota and later against the Confederate army in the South, Marshall proved himself to be an extremely bold leader who was highly regarded by his men. One soldier under his command observed that "Colonel Marshall was very cool, as well as brave; during all the fighting and frequently told the men to keep down and not expose themselves needlessly [to enemy fire] as he would do the looking for them." During the Union victory at Nashville on December 15, 1864, in which Marshall and the Minnesota Seventh played a critical role, Marshall himself made extremely vulnerable to rebel guns as he led the charge on his horse across the battlefield toward the Confederate breast-work. Afterward a rebel prisoner was heard to remark: "Well, any man that is brave enough to ride a horse across that field will never be killed." However, Marshall did come narrowly close to death on that occasion when his gauntlets, which he carried doubled up against his chest, protected him from a minie-ball. And the following spring while leading his men toward a Confederate fort near Mobile, Marshall was struck by a ball which passed through the side of his neck, narrowly missing his spine. In characteristic fashion, according to accounts by his men, the colonel defied his surgeon's recommendations that he take an ambulance, climbed immediately back into his saddle and marched ahead.

By the close of the war Marshall had been promoted twice; twice colonel and then to brevet brigadier general. He and the surviving members of his Minnesota Seventh, about half of the original 1100 volunteers, had marched 10,535 miles in three years. Often they had been severely underfed and poorly clothed—they were without tents for the entire last year of their service. In a tearful farewell speech to his men, General Marshall responded to the praise lavished upon him by insisting that "The men who carried muskets and knapsacks for 113 per month are the true heroes of the war."

Upon returning to private life in 1865 Marshall quickly stepped ahead in his business and political pursuits. Drawing strong support from the large numbers of veterans in the Republican party, he won the Republican nomination for Governor and then defeated Henry M. Rice in the 1866 election by a decisive majority. During Marshall's two terms in office he successfully overcame the opposition of many of his own party members in establishing equal rights for Blacks in the state constitution. "He was not a showy governor," noted the Pioneer Press, "and made no attempt at a record, but he was one of the best chief magistrates the state has ever had."

Marshall's business efforts

100 years in St. Anthony Park

William R. Marshall: Pioneer statesman

...by nature and instinct a gentleman, and his intellect and mental qualities were of the highest order...
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after the war included a renewed involvement in banking and considerable activity in real estate. Beginning as early as the 1850's he had begun buying land west of St. Paul, and as the Twin Cities expanded their residential development toward each other he began selling. One writer notes that Marshall was "connected with nearly all land deals affecting St. Anthony Park." This may indeed be true as his personal papers abound in correspondences regarding land sales with figures having such familiar names as Knapp and Langford, among others.

It was Marshall who hired the renowned landscape architect H.S. Cleveland to create a development plan for St. Anthony Park in 1873. Though that plan was significantly altered over time, the impact of its central theme of building the community along streets which were connected to the natural features of the landscape is evident today. Marshall lived in St. Anthony Park only at the end of his profoundly diverse career, presumably from the time that his mansion on Commonwealth just south of Como was built in the early 1860's until he moved to southern California due to his declining health in 1894. Before retiring he served as a state railroad commissioner and as secretary of the Minnesota Historical Society. He also was one of the founders of the Swedishborgian church of St. Paul.

Ironically, during his final years in business Marshall lost much of the fortune he had acquired in the course of his lifetime. According to his obituary in the Pioneer Press on January 10, 1896 (he died two days earlier at the age of 71), in the end Marshall was "poor in the world's estimate of wealth. But that which should accompany old age, as honor, love, obedience, troops of friends, he possessed in greatest abundance."

In 1910 the estate that Marshall had built on Commonwealth burned to the ground, incinerating with it the most tangible reminder of this man's formidable impact on his community. But remnants of Marshall's life are still to be found by those who are willing to dig a little—either into the archives of the state and Ramsey County historical societies or beneath the topsoil on the peak of Commonwealth hill.

William R. Marshall

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Alba del Socorro Reyes was partially sponsored by University Lutheran Church of Hope. Hal Dragash and Pamela Myrtle Drageash and their children Kristin and Kevin from St. Anthony Park were her host family during her stay. Leon is the second largest city in Nicaragua. People in the area raise cotton, rice and other grains. del Socorro Reyes, who is from a very poor rural family, said she usually has enough to eat though often her food consists only of their staple food items, rice and beans. del Socorro Reyes lives with her three brothers and her aunt. Altogether there are eight people in a 200 square foot house. She described her home as "a very small poor house, but honest."

Because del Socorro Reyes studies industrial electronics, she was interested in expeditions to the Science Museum of Minnesota and other places with technical concerns. She spoke of enjoying her visits to the University, to many churches and schools (including Murray Junior High and Central High School where the Dragash children attend) and also to an Indian reservation. One visit with a technological connection did not please her, though. After seeing a nuclear plant she said, "That's very dangerous. I don't like that!"

del Socorro Reyes spoke of the joy she feels at home when she's working in the youth movement. "When I'm fulfilling my responsibility there, I'm happy," she said.

But when asked about emotions and experiences on the opposite side of the spectrum her face clouded as she related life experiences in which fear and danger are no strangers. "I'm sad when I hear of people getting killed without defense. When a friend dies or when I learn that the American Congress has given $110 million to the contras or when the contras put mines on the roads or in the schools... then I'm very sad."

During school vacations del Socorro Reyes works in the coffee harvest. The fields are in an area called a war zone so she frequently has to harvest with weapons as well as tools.

It seems likely that as the Nicaraguan youth compared stories on the way home tales of snow or scenes of luxury were probably not their biggest culture shock. Very likely the freedom and peace evident in places like St. Anthony Park created the strongest impression of what life can be like when one's country is not at war and when strife is not happening in one's own backyard.

The author expresses thanks to Gerardo Echeverria for translating the interview on which this story was based.

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New falcon symbolizes strength and beauty

By Mary Mergenthaler

When Falcon Heights Elementary School reopened this fall, many things were missing due to the years of inactivity in the building. It wasn’t so hard to reclaim books and equipment and supplies from their resting places around the district. But even as those items were gathered, it became clear that the school would benefit with the addition of something new—something colorful, creative, and classic. As people who care about the school thought about the need, it seemed an attractive idea to find something artistic that would highlight the school’s falcon symbol.

After volunteer coordinator Joan Allen thought about the need and considered her neighborhood contacts, she came up with a plan which looked like it would meet the criteria of being colorful and artistic.

So Travis Thompson, who’s a Falcon Heights resident, came aboard as the artist who could save the day. Thompson is a University psychology professor but in addition he’s a stained glass artist. He designed a falcon symbol which is being executed in an autonomous stained glass panel. The panel, which is two feet by three feet, will hang in the library of the school.

Thompson is the designer but the fabricators of the design add to the uniqueness of the project. Last May, Thompson and Michael Pilla with whom he worked, were part of the formation of a Restoration Guild. The guild is a group of seven Himong men who are being trained in stained glass art by Thompson and Pilla at their Lowertown studio.

The Himong workers have been working on stained glass restoration projects, often church windows. They are men who are no strangers to hard work and challenges, having endured years of fighting in their native Laos, survived refugee camps and met the challenges of life in the country whose military men had promised them help in return for the guerrilla warfare help they’d given in the hills of Laos. Being able and willing to work hard has not always been enough for Himong refugees in St. Paul or anywhere else. Their lack of technological training and limited language skills have kept them out of the right job market, in many cases.

After two years of work to get funding from foundations to pay for training, Thompson and Pilla were finally able to begin the Restoration Guild last spring. The group is hoping to exhibit some of their work at the Landmark Center in the spring. It hopes to be a self-supporting business by next spring as well.

Lee Vang is one of the key Himong fabricators in the group. He’s very talented with the stained glass medium. This project will be his first chance to do new design work rather than restoration. Thompson designed the panel and selected the material. Vang and his fellow workers will make the project a reality.

Photo by Truman Olson

Travis Thompson designed a new falcon symbol for Falcon Heights Elementary School. Lee Vang and other Himong workers are fabricating the design from stained glass.

Community chorus offers holiday harmony

The traditional holiday dinner and program of the St. Anthony Park Association will be held on December 9 at the St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ. The St. Anthony Park Arts Forum will present the Park Community Chorus in a program of holiday music. Included in the program will be the Gloria by Vivaldi, traditional carols arranged by John Rutter, and a German carol, Geborn ist Gottes Sohnelein by Michael Praetorius. Directed by Linda Herrmann and accompanied by Ann Vogelweide, the chorus celebrates its first anniversary in January. It is supported by the Arts Forum and St. Anthony Park Community Education and had help getting started from Luther Northwestern Seminary. It will be starting practice for its second annual spring concert in January.

Interested people may call Mary Jane Munson at 644-2531. Doors will open for the dinner at 5:30 p.m. and the special holiday dinner, which will cost $6, this month, will be served at 6 p.m. The concert will begin at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary. Community residents are welcome to come to the meetings—either part or all of the evening’s events. Rebekah Mergenthaler will be phoning members for reservations. Please have the number of people attending ready when she calls. If you have additions or cancellations please call Bill or Mary Jane Addison at 644-4572. If you are unable to attend and do not cancel, you will be charged for the dinner.

The program was given by the Association to the St. Anthony Park Branch Library as a memorial to longtime members Ralph Anderson, Alvin Rogen, Osgood Magneson and Harry Peterson.

November’s dinner meeting was a great success. Eighty-nine people came for dinner and to hear small business speaker Daryl Erdman and to a program honoring the Block Nurse Program.

Looking ahead, January’s program will feature Nancy Haley’s video and speakers on dealing with grief and loss. Please mark a date on your calendar. In February, the Park Centennial Committee is planning our dinner meeting as a progressive dinner on Sat., Feb. 14. The Association board meets on the first Tuesday of the month at the St. Anthony Park Branch Library at 7 p.m. Meetings are open to interested members.

New to the board: New Neighbor Chair—Julie Anderson

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rosewood, Honduran mahogany—or—his personal favorite—Hawaiian koa wood. The shape of the instrument and the bracing inside it are variations of standard guitars, but with Meyers’ innovations, he says, “I know what has worked, and I branch out a little here and a little there.” Each of his guitars produces a slightly different sound, which will improve in the guitar’s first five years.

Most of Meyers’ guitars are hanging on the wall in his humidity-controlled office; he just started marketing his instruments in July. Three or four are now for sale in the price range of $1,100-$1,250. Meyers figures it takes him about 150 hours to complete a guitar, but says he is getting faster. “You learn to start some efficiencies,” he says.

In many cases, Meyers starts with a piece of four- or five-inch slabs of wood. He carefully cuts thin slices of the wood to exact width of less than 1 inch, joins them so the grain matches itself, and cuts around the pattern. He has developed his own forms for the curves on the sides of the guitars, which is done with heat and wet wood, as well as for the neck and bridge.

Although Meyers doesn’t play professionally, the self-described handyman does enjoy performing for others, “mostly around the campfire,” he says. Meyers’ wife Susan decided to learn to play as well, and has taken

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Speaking Briefly

Food and gift help
Merriam Park food shelf: Holiday Assistance program is in need of meal helpers, potato mixes, soaps, pasta, tomato sauce, tuna, peanut butter, cereals, canned fruit and juices, new or used toys in good condition for children ages 0-14, small gift items or cash. They also have limited freezer space for fresh or frozen items. Volunteers are also needed to help sort and pack.

Messiah
Handel's "Messiah" will be performed at 7:30 p.m. at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in St. Anthony Park on Fri., Dec. 19, 7:30 p.m.

Ticket prices: Adults $5, children and senior citizens $3. For more information, call 645-0549.

French courses
The French Alliance of the Twin Cities (Alliance Francaise des Villes Jumelles) announces two special courses in December. An intensive beginning course will begin Dec. 8, 6:30-9 p.m. and Dec. 10 and Dec. 15-18. This course will be taught by an instructor with an advance conversational approach and will give students a solid foundation in elementary French language and grammar. A French immersion weekend for upper intermediate and advanced level students will be offered Dec. 5, 5-9 p.m., and Dec. 6, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, contact the French Alliance at 644-5769.

Dancing
St. Anthony Park School of Dance will put on a free dance performance Sat., Dec. 13, 11 a.m. The public is invited to see performances in ballet, creative movement and jazz that day at 2481 Como Ave. (corner of Como and Hendon Aves.).

Carolers
Neighbors are invited to join other members of the St. Anthony Park community in singing favorite Christmas carols Sun., Dec. 21, 3-5 p.m., at St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, Como Ave. and Hillside Ave. The singing will be followed by seasonal refreshments and an optional visit for caroling at Commonwealth Healthcare Center. Organizers ask: "Must be present to have fun!"

Skiing race
St. Paul Parks and Recreation and Eastern Minnesota Skiing Association will be sponsoring an ice skiing race at South St. Anthony/Langford Recreation Center Sat., Jan. 5 at 1:30 p.m. The race is intended for boys and girls, ages 4 through 13, who are beginning skiers, intermediates. Long blades are not required. Ribbons will be awarded to the first five finishers in each age group. Participation ribbons will be given to all who compete.

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Park Insurance

Holidays are Great!

Have a happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas
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Call 298-5770 with questions. The recital will be at 8:00
Cromwell Ave. All participants will be invited to compete in the city
championship at Lake Como Jan. 11 at 1:30 p.m. and also in the Winter
Grand Slam State Novice
Championships.
Special guests will provide more national champions and
Olympic team members from the Twin City area than any other
sport.

Open house
Commonwealth Healthcare Center will hold a holiday open house
Sun., Dec. 7, 2-4 p.m. Community members as well as families and friends are
encouraged to attend to tour the facility observing renovations. Residents' crafts and
refreshments will be available to add to the enjoyment.

Bible study
St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church will offer the second
session of SEARCH weekly adult Bible studies, continuing
with the book of Acts. "The question may be just as an
important as the answer," is one of the premises upon which
SEARCH is based. The weekly format consists of a large group
presentation and small group discussion.

Everyone who is interested is welcome to attend. The eight-
week session will begin Jan. 13 and will continue through Mar.
3, with identical sessions on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and
from 7:45-9:30 p.m. Participants will purchase study materials.
Child care will be provided. For more information and to
register, call 664-0371 or 664-0672.

Langford Park party
Children grades pre-kindergarten through grade 6 and
their parents are invited to a holiday party—an evening of music,
entertainment and other surprises—Wed., Dec. 10 at 6:30 p.m. at
the St. Anthony Park Recreation Center. Santa is expected to pay
a visit so parents are encouraged to bring a camera.

Italian Christmas
The Lyra Concert, a period instrument orchestra, will
present "An Italian Christmas" with The Gregorian Singers at Luther Northwestern Seminary
chaplet at the corner of Fulham St. and Hendon Ave. Sun., Dec.
17, 7:30 p.m. The concert will feature "Gloria" by Vivaldi and
Festive Concertos by Torrelli and Corelli. Tickets are available
from Dayton's or at the door.

Community chorus
The second full-fledged performance of the St. Anthony Park Community Chorus will
introduce the choir's new
director, Linda Herrmann, to the community. The performance will
be at the St. Anthony Park Association meeting Dec. 9, 7
p.m.

Open house/bazaar
Twin City Linnea Home will have an open house and bazaar Sun., Dec. 7, 2-4 p.m. There will be a
Swedish Girls' Choir singing while visitors sample delicious
delicious homemade treats.

Agriculture
The St. Paul League of Women Voters will sponsor a program on
agricultural issues on Sat., Dec. 6, at 9 a.m. at Ramsey Jr. High.
Speakers will be Kathy Mangum, state-wide coordinator of Project Support and Farm
Mediation for Minnesota, Mark
Richie, farm policy analyst from the commissioner's office of the
Minnesota Dept. of Agriculture, and St. Anthony Park resident
Ford Range, associate professor of Agriculture and Applied
Economics at the University of Minnesota. The meeting will be
hosted by the Minnesota League of Women Voters.

Men's basketball
Langford's men's winter basketball league will begin play
Jan. 7. Games will be played at St. Anthony Park Elementary
School. Call Dan or Eric at 298-5770 for team registration.
Langford Park's next Booster Club meeting will be held at
the St. Anthony Park Recreation Center Dec. 17 at 7:30 p.m.

Hand-dyed scarves
The Raymond Avenue Gallery, 761 Raymond Ave., opens an
exhibition of hand-dyed scarves by Nancy Mackenzie Dec. 5, 5-9
p.m. The exhibition continues through March 17.

Mackenzie, a fiber artist with a longstanding interest in
wearable art, works in a
Japanese technique called
momasu, meaning "wax-
dye." She was first introduced to this technique by Boston
textile artist Yoko Yabe. Gallery hours are Monday through
Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.,
Saturday, noon to 4 p.m. and any
time by appointment by calling
664-0300.

100 oldsters needed
The South St. Anthony Park School Old Timers are looking
for at least 100 names of very old Old Timers. They want these
names by February. People who originally lived in St. Anthony
Park or who can volunteer to help locate such people should
call any of the following: Art
Hendall, 485-1904, Bob Ivarson, 631-4483, Fritz Reatzer, 488-
4386 or Ben Sorg, 771-4663. They're also looking for help
in planning their 100th anniversary party. The group wishes all Old
Timers a very pleasant holiday season.

Southsiders reunion
A Southsiders reunion for all ages is currently being planned
for the spring. The reunion committee is searching for the
names and addresses of all
former and current south St.
Anthony Park residents. Albert Johnson at 339-5119 or
Dinah Sherman Rich at 769-5117 with names and addresses. The
reunion committee needs interested volunteers to help plan
the reunion party and to assist in calling former friends and
neighbors.

Progressive dinner
Residents of St. Anthony Park should circle Feb. 7 on their
1988 calendars for a progressive dinner. Part of the centennial
celebration, different courses will be held in different houses.
People interested in helping plan
the event should call Ann or
Harley Copeland at 665-1160.

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a Christmas letter
To our friends, neighbors, & clients
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First of all, Happy Holidays! We would also like to thank
all of you for your support of small local businesses such as
ours, who live or die depending on your patronage.

It's been a great year, based on the following statistics:
- We sold 26 homes in the area
- 11 of our sales converted non-owner occupant (i.e.
rentals) properties to owner-occupied homes.
- 17 of our sales were to first home buyers.
- All of our sales closed successfully.
- We received "thank you's" from every client we serviced.

Because it's been such a great year, we've been able to keep
up our contributions to local fundraising efforts. Also we
have been able to keep ourselves updated with the latest
computer technology, document preparation, and appraisal
techniques. And, we will be in business in St. Anthony Park
for a long time to come, offering personal, professional,
local, and highly competent service to you, our friends,
neighbors, and clients. We are committed to the Park
because to us...it matters.

It's been a great year. Thank You!

Happy Holidays, 
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Dreams vitalize efforts of Global Volunteers

By Todd Lefko

"I still have my dream," said Ron Shepard, his eyes piercing and wide.

We sat around the dusty table in the narrow room. A few breezes broke the heat of the November Jamaican sun.

Sitting at the top of a mountain in a remote village gives perspective to one's life. For Ron Shepard, it was a dream of economic development. Having returned to Woburn Lawn from England, he had farmed half-acre plots, now he produced bee-boxes and furniture. Seven years of effort had produced change, too slow for the brilliant and impatient dreamer.

Ron Shepard had become more than a close friend. He was a symbol that belief could become reality. I had worked with Ron on my first trip to Woburn Lawn, spending day after day in long discussion ranging from the meaning of life to personal relationships. Educated formally to an eighth-grade level, Ron was now often utilized as a visiting lecturer in social development at the University of the West Indies.

Every experience had been a learning process for Ron. Two years ago, he spoke of basket production, without knowledge of marketing, production techniques or business organization. Now he was producing bee-boxes and furniture, making sales calls and learning computer spreadsheet programs.

The forty miles from Kingston to Woburn Lawn takes two and one half hours. Mountain travel in a developing country is not only physical, but psychological distance. You are entering a different way of life than the one experienced in Kingston or the tourist coast. The last road segment appears to be rock clefts, beds. Mountain roads washed away by recent flooding were under repair with sides of cliffs.

We take communication and transportation for granted. The nearest phone to Woburn Lawn is one hour away. Mail from Minnesota takes at least two weeks into a neighboring village. A short wave radio, previously in the village, had been removed. A need for bee-box nails necessitated a full day trip into Kingston.

We sat around the table, seeking to determine how Minnesotans could best work with Woburn Lawn. Alice Wright sat cautiously, weighing every word and analyzing our sincerity. The most respected resident, Alice is Justice of the Peace, the school principal and a founder of the Women's Organization.

Woburn Lawn has been a major experiment in social and economic development, with volunteers from around the world. Volunteers require varying degrees of efficiency. They often represent enthusiasm more than skills and present villagers a problem of making work to keep visitors occupied.

Alice had watched visitors with good intentions come and depart. For hours, we sought to identify projects and skill needs by the village. Our organization, Global Volunteers, provides Minnesotans with short-term opportunities for village projects in Jamaica, Guatemala and Tanzania.

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Woburn Lawn was symbolic, both for Global Volunteers and myself. Almost three years ago, four of us did construction, legal work to acquire a coffee farm, marketing and grant writing which resulted in money to establish a bakery. It was our first village experience. One other team later worked in the village.

Because of a breakdown in communication both with the village and a related organization in Kingston, trips ceased to Woburn Lawn while we sent teams to Africa, Latin America and the Papago Indians on the Mexican border.

But Woburn Lawn was our birthplace and we wanted to reestablish a relationship.

For myself, Woburn Lawn represented a turning point. Emerging from a low point in my life, the village was a chance to be of value, and give perspective to my future and the world.

In a Third World mountain village, sometimes without water or electricity, problems of poverty and change appear overwhelming. I had come to teach, yet within one day I became the student. Villagers assumed that for change to occur, they must be responsible. Residents built a community center, laid water pipes, established a tool co-op and held hundreds of meetings to plan and implement educational and economic programs. Change comes slowly in Woburn Lawn, with small victories and large delays. They had taught me to accept limited changes and patience, a concept difficult for an A-type personality.

Ron Shepard's dream is for the people of Woburn Lawn to have educational and economic opportunities. They have come a long way in the past seven years, with a great distance yet to travel. It is often difficult for individuals like Ron and Alice, with dreams of a better life, to avoid discouragement and frustration. People often focus on how far they have yet to go, not how far they have come. The strongest lessons one receives from Woburn Lawn is that of hope, and individuals willing to sacrifice for their future.

Woburn Lawn is one village on an island of two thousand villages. There are two million villages in the world, containing most of the world's population. In a world increasingly less white and less American, the future is reflected in part by opportunities within villages like Woburn Lawn. Bankers pressing for debt repayment and tourists often represent the America which many of us would like to define in curing and humanitarian terms. An increasing investment of personal skills and relationships is necessary to lessen the potential of future conflict and misunderstanding.

A team of Global Volunteers is returning to Woburn Lawn in March. If you are interested, please call our office at 228-9751 or Todd Lefko at 615-4944.

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School kids and Allison explore neighborhood

By Mary Mergenthaler

When Jack Allison talks to the group of 60 seventh graders he's clearly enjoying himself. Why? For one thing, Allison is talking about something he loves—St. Anthony Park. For another, it may have been 60 years since he was in the first class of seventh graders at Murray but he hasn't forgotten what a joy youthful inquisitiveness is. Not only does Allison remember and appreciate that inquisitiveness; he's eager to encourage it, challenge it and stretch it.

Allison recently went seventh graders on a historical walking tour of St. Anthony Park. It was the second year he'd done it and it was clear that both he and the young people were having a good time. Allison explained what it's like to look back on "73 years. "When you've been around this long," he said, "you can remember back in a straight line. It stretches out your time to recall what happened along that line."

Allison's comments about the walk were peppered with illustrations of what life was like in the years when he was young. He casually spoke of winters when no one used cars, of mayflowers blooming in the big woods (near the present seminary setting), of streetcars and horse and buggy as common modes of transportation. He told of the three lakes which once beautified the area—lake areas which now form Langford Park, College Park and land around Murray.

There were tales of wonder, stories about children who were afraid to walk through the Big Woods which originally filled the area around the present Como Ave., Carter Ave., intersection and stories about a Venetian canal at the present Cleveland Ave.-Raymond Ave.-Como Ave. area. The Venetian canal story gave Allison a chance to talk about the literal rise and fall of a State Fair promotion scheme. The project was so successful the first year that promoters decided to dig deeper canals the second year, canals which would take bigger launches, almost ship! But the glacial soil caused the entire project to collapse and sink into oblivion. Well, not quite oblivion, for Allison recalled playing sandlot football on the site and using old canals as boundaries.

There were recollections, too, about famous people. The students learned of the governors who lived in St. Anthony Park—McGill, Marshall and Andersen. He told of the visit of Crown Prince Olaf of Norway to Musskgo church in 1938. He described how William Boss promoted the school of agriculture by visiting rural Minnesota farms on his trips and inviting the farmers' children to come to St. Paul to the agricultural high school between November and March.

Those who have met Allison will believe that there was no shortage of interesting detail in the commentary. He told of Arthur Upbin who lived on Como Ave. until 1919 or 1920 and was the University's main geographer. Upbin made the first complete geological map of Minnesota, traveling by horse and buggy. Then students heard about Samuel Green who planted hackberry trees along Dowse Ave. and insisted that they pay the land that became College Park. Students got to see the house at 2107 Commonwealth Ave. which originally was a train station and the house at Dowse Ave. and Chelmsford St. which was once the home of the seven Merritt brothers who discovered the iron range.

The two hour tour proved that intergenerational education is not an unknown quantity at Murray Junior High School. It also showed that there's no shortage of interesting history in St. Anthony Park.
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Forward to returning to a liberal arts institution in the church. He is expected to assume the presidency by June 1. The A.C. college has an enrollment of around 1,800.

Mary Nehestuen, St. Anthony Park, believes in the family-oriented growth opportunities available to youth through the 4-H program. In recognition of her leadership and commitment to the 4-H program, both through involvement with her local Northern Lights 4-H Club and on a county level, Nehestuen has been awarded the Ramsey County 4-H Lions Salute Award for outstanding adult leadership.

The award, sponsored by the Ramsey County 4-H Leader’s Council and East Park Lions Club, was presented at the recent Ramsey County 4-H Recognition Night program. In October, Nehestuen was selected to represent Minnesota in the national “Salute to Excellence” leadership training program. As part of the program, sponsored by a grant from Nabisco, Inc., Nehestuen will attend a national training conference at the National 4-H Center, Chevy Chase, Maryland, in the spring. She will receive a $1,000 grant to develop a training opportunity for 4-H volunteer leaders in Minnesota.

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properties were appraised. I haven't talked to them lately. There hasn't been anything to report. We'll do our best to keep them informed. We are very sensitive to the homeowner whether it be there or anywhere else in the city.

Acquiring the properties that comprise the project area is only a small part of a lengthy procedure that hinges on city council approval of the tax increment district designation. Towle becomes anxious when pressed to give dates regarding the project, specifically the purchase of the Rustin homes. When asked for acquisition dates Towle said, "I can't give you any dates. I just can't. You have to have council approval and district approval. You know they [the Rustin homeowners] push me. I say maybe next summer, maybe the moon." The point is that no one knows when the

properties will be acquired or if they actually will be acquired.

It is, however, a safe assumption that some form of development will occur. The proposed designation of the area as a tax increment district would serve as a means of facilitating development of the whole project area. Tax increment financing is a popular mechanism among developers to secure the enormous funds necessary to acquire, demolish and

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develop a property. It is a build now, pay later proposition.

Improvements made within the project area are financed by the use of municipal bonds which are paid off over time. The pay-off period can extend to 20 years. The pay-off occurs through the increase in tax revenues generated from the privately financed buildings that are presumed to be built on the upgraded sites.

The benefits reaped from such development are many: "more jobs, better image, a much higher level of tax revenue which goes to the city, county and school districts" to name a few according to Bill Weber of BBW, the planning firm that is drafting the preliminary plans. To Weber the costs of tax increment financing are few. "It's more a matter of personal philosophy on the role of local municipal government in development," Weber stated.

The development of the area also involves the University of Minnesota's plans for a proposed busway system between the Minneapolis and St. Paul campuses. According to Weber the location of the busway's remote parking lot within the project area is as yet undecided.

The University would prefer to locate the lot on the Snitzer property (see photos), but the Snitzer property has been identified as a hazardous waste site. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is currently conducting tests to determine the extent of the contamination. The BBW field survey states that the site is "contaminated with toxic chemicals as a result of many years of unrestricted heavy industrial operation such as burning automobiles prior to salvaging the metal."

The location of the remote busway parking lot would probably be the University's first step in taking the controversial busway from plan to pavement. The University may not have the patience to await the results of the MPCA tests and resulting cleanup and they may choose another location.

Meanwhile, back on Eustis, residents check their mailboxes. They look for an answer to the question, "When?" The overlap of development interests in the project area is, in part, the reason for much of the delay involved in seeing the project's preliminary plans turn into purchase agreements for the Eustis residents. At this point no one can accurately answer the question of when acquisition and development will begin.

The development process is a multi-layered one. It is easy for the big names of development to lose sight of their smaller targets, as some of the Eustis residents have discovered.

"It's ridiculous!" exclaimed Clarence Jacobsen, a 50-year Eustis resident. "St. Paul is known for this. They tear the houses down and let the land sit. I tell you, I think it's ridiculous. They are going to tear it down and raise green grass. Well, what the hell, we had green grass up here before."

The lack of action in development is paralleled in the lack of information that is actually getting through the development web to the Eustis residents.

Losing one's home is not an easy proposition to accept, even if accompanied by a big check. Fifty years of living in one home has more meaning to the Jacobsons and their neighbors than any dollar amount can offer.

The development of the project area, however, is long overdue. The incursion of industry took its toll on the residences that once occupied the area. Those residents that remained learned to accept high traffic volume, noise and other pollution as neighbors. With rezoning and redevelopment, what becomes of the area as a whole should prove to be an improvement.

"Clockwise from top:

The no dumping sign on the Snitzer property stands as an ironic marker of the years of industrial abuse that caused the toxic waste contamination.

Eight homes on Eustis became isolated from St. Anthony Park with the arrival of Highway 280. The bustling United States Steel building remains as a testament to the bustling trucking and warehouse business that once thrived in this area. The proposed redevelopment plans call for the demolition of all of the buildings in the area outlined by University Ave. on the south, Berry on the west, the railroad tracks on the north and Hwy. 280 on the east.

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But Shin's decision to become a Methodist minister came after he taught high school music and was a church musical director for ten years in Korea. He had pursued the ministry at an earlier point in his life, but after one year of study in Korea, Shin left the seminary because as he explained it, "I felt that God was not really calling me to the ministry at that time."

Although he found his career in music rewarding, the call to ministry kept nagging at Shin. He began looking at other seminaries in Korea, but was unable to find a seminary that held theological views similar to his own. A friend in his congregation told Shin about UTS in Minnesota. So in 1977, he and his wife and three young children left his native country in pursuit of becoming a Methodist minister.

But before he could enter the seminary, Shin needed to improve his English and to provide for his family. The new Minneapolis resident enrolled in the Control Data Institute for computer technology training. He then worked for Control Data for six years. "It has been a struggle at times for me to improve my English speaking skills," explained Shin. He has taken English classes at the International Institute of Minnesota, the University of Minnesota and at Hamline University.

Finally, a very determined Shin began his studies at UTS in 1983. In June of 1986 he was ordained deacon. Shin will complete his work at the St. Anthony Park church in May. Although his days are filled with seminary coursework, visiting church members and worship preparation, Shin certainly shares in the life of his family. His wife Ellen works at Control Data while their children, Eric, 17; Susan, 15; and Peter, 12, are active in school. Shin looks forward to his post-seminary years ahead. "I would be content to serve either a Korean-American or an American Methodist congregation."

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Polly's Slow Food Restaurant, located at Bandana Square, is pleased to announce the newly formed partnership between Polly Sidney and Bernard and Jaylene Karas. The restaurant will continue to operate under the name Polly's Slow Food, Inc. and will continue to feature such items as Lahbo (an Armenian cracker bread with pizza like toppings), pocket bread and hot open-face sandwiches and an assortment of homemade pies and desserts.

Jaye Konan has been in the restaurant business for five years. She grew up in St. Paul's Highland Park and moved to Mendota Heights 12 years ago. Between two tours of duty at the Coliseum Restaurant in Highland she worked with Vittorio Gozzo (of Vittorio's in Stillwater) at Dam's in Lihthouse. She is an experienced caterer.

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Films in the Cities' Executive Director Richard Weise has announced the receipt of a major gift of $50,000 from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. The grant will provide completion funds for a multi-track audio recording studio developed cooperatively with U/Vide, will make the exhibition of work by American independent producers a substantial portion of the programming at the Jerome Hill Theater and will eliminate HCT's projected cash deficit for FY87.

"The MacArthur Foundation grant goes directly to support the core of Film in the Cities' mission," stated Weise, "to assist artists in the creation and to develop appreciation of film, video and audio as art forms. The MacArthur grant is also significant because it represents another major national foundation's recognition of the importance of the media arts in contemporary society."

The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, begun in 1981, in keeping with its programmatic interest in Mass Communications, contacted 45 of the largest and best established media arts centers nationally asking for proposals to fund projects which would enhance the organization's strength and stability. During the trial year of the program, the Foundation anticipated awarding 12 grants in amounts ranging from $15,000 to $50,000.

"This award strengthens the goals of Film in the Cities' five-year plan," added Weise, "by developing new audiences for the work of independent artists, providing more opportunities for artists to have access to the equipment and facilities needed to create their work, and stabilizing the management and financial support for the organization."

Photo by Jeff Rohr

Marvils Chappl, Virgil Amundsen and Christine Elsing open the door to new opportunities. Parkbank is moving up as well as over. The bank's new location in their spunky new building will serve as a St. Anthony Park landmark for years to come.
Election judges pass on their judgment of the job

By Alice Duggan

6:00 a.m.: Election judges arrive; machines are unlocked and voting materials are ready. Judges are sworn in; they sign the oath and the payroll.

7:00 a.m.: Judges are split into pairs to cut the red metal seal on each machine; after which the polls are opened. Voters sign the precinct list and are admitted to the voting booths.

Noon: Election judges take a one-hour break, in rotation. 4:00 p.m.: Rush hour begins. The line is long between noon and eight. 8:00 p.m.: The polls close. The machines are sealed.

Judges begin to record and list the total votes. League of Women Voters "reporters" arrive and collect the precinct totals, which they call in to their headquarters. There they compile the unofficial results for the news media. An election judge delivers multiple copies of the results, in sealed envelopes, to the bureau of elections. These will be used to compile the official results on November 6.

10:00 p.m. (or later): Election judges depart, their work finished.

This is the election day routine in a shortened, simplified version. If things seem to go smoothly and efficiently when you vote, it’s because some very seasoned people are taking care of this routine. These people are called judges and volunteers, and in St. Anthony Park most have had 25 years of experience. Judy Davies, who works at Sei Hi-Rise, was recruited in 1991, “the first Eisenhower election.” At that time the Baker School PTA served coffee and donuts to the voters. People went to vote, but also to linger and talk and enjoy the refreshments. An election judge was missing that day, so Davies stopped pouring coffee and began checking in voters—sighs, then when she has never missed an election. Argie Higgins joined her a few years later, and when Baker school was closed they moved to the new polling place in Seal Hi-Rise.

“31 was also Edna Pankouni’s first year as a judge. She was recruited by neighbor Ella Dufrene, also a judge, and her first assignment was at Jay Brothers’ Motor Car Co., on Pleasant Avenue near Selby. It was business as usual that day; sales were unimpeded by voting.

Jo Delger remembers her stint about 25 years ago at J.G. Whitlock school on Albermarle St., in an Eastern European neighborhood. At that time “about half the folks couldn’t write their name, and signed with an X.” It seemed natural to her back then, and to Elvera Skovbo, and Alice Johnson, to work as election judges; they already were active in grass roots politics and felt close to the voting process.

It seemed natural to other people too—to Margaret Pomeroy, Janet Christianson, Verna Wayne and Betty Morlock. They blame it variously on Girl Scout work (one thing leads to another), on friendship (we all did it together) or on just always wanting to help. Betty Morlock says it was an accident—someone was sick, thirty years ago, and they needed her. All veterans remember the trip to Mechanics Arts High School to take the Civil Service Test: it covered adding, filing skills and general political knowledge, and it was required. All began their work away from the home precincts, and gradually worked their way back to their own neighborhood. Christian- son, who started in 1966, holds the record for locations—seven, including the historic Virginia Street Church.

All this longevity helps keep the wheels of elections turning, but what keeps the election judges going, from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. or later? They like their job. The pleasure of meeting people is tops on everyone’s list. “It’s social,” says Skovbo. “You meet everyone. It stirs up the community.” Furthermore, “You’re providing an important service,” says Betty Morlock. “We had 93 new voters,” says Yvonne Allen, a newer judge with only two elections behind her. “It’s rewarding to see young people taking voting seriously. That’s what I like about it.”

Election judges don’t complain, apparently. Jo Delger admits that “Presidential elections are exhausting” and almost everyone says mildly that “it’s a long day.” The only really distressing thing, Betty Morlock says, is seeing people throw away their vote. They refer to people who use the write-in privilege to vote, for example, for Mickey Mouse. “And we have to count those votes.”

But do they encounter rude, abrasive voters, arguing and insisting and waving their fists? No. Elvera Skovbo summed it up: “People are nice. It’s a happy occasion.”

The Civil Service test is no longer uniformly required for election judges. The most important qualification, everyone agrees, is motivation—motivation to help. Training is provided, in the form of one required meeting a year, and each judge gets a densely printed 64-page instruction manual. Compensation is also provided, a wage of $4 an hour. The precinct chair, who is an election judge with additional responsibilities, gets a small additional payment.

What if you’re an unseasoned volunteer? Do you have to have grey hair to qualify? Or be recently retired? None of the above. Just as voting is for everyone, so all of us are needed to keep the small wheels of democracy oiled. Betty Morlock would be thrilled to see you.
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The reopening of Falcon Heights Elementary School was a great success. It started out with a parade of students from the school riding bikes or walking down the street in front of the school. The parents and teachers walked on the sides of the street and the principal, Ms. Ellen Blank, rode in a car in front of the parade. Next was a ribbon cutting ceremony in front of the school with the mayor of Falcon Heights and then they had a picnic in the back of the school with visits from some animals from Como Zoo and from a Minnesota Striker player. There was also a balloon launch. I’m glad Falcon Heights has reopened and I am proud to be a part of it.

—Justin Jacobs

The Roseville Area High School women’s volleyball team had a very successful season. Coached by Joel Anderson the team consisted of Denise Batterton, Jackie Coward, Beth Fehlen, Kim Fuchs, Becky Greer, Brenda Horne, Lisa Johnston, Karen Lushine, Sue Serbelich, Sue West, Kathy Woods and Chris Young. The team had a winning season with a 15-1 record. The team increased its record to 18-1 after defeating Park, Woodbury and Delano in the Region AAA tournament. They won the Region AAA championship and were on their way to the state tournament. During their first round of tournament play, the Roseville Raiders were defeated by Moorhead. In the consolation round they were defeated by Marshall. Roseville Area High School was presented the sportsmanship award at the end of the tournament.

—Danae Linden

On Nov. 3 a new hall pass policy went into effect at Como Park Senior High School. The policy states that any student caught loitering in the halls without a pass during class time will be dismissed and a parent conference will be required for readmittance. Before this new policy was put into effect, the students participated in a survey to give ideas on possible solutions to questions raised by the staff and students. The policy was created to better the behavioral environment and make Como Park a quality place for learning.

This far, the results have been very positive. With minimal hall traffic, and a reason to be in class, the staff and students are working together to make Como Park feel safe.

In an effort to create more school spirit and inform the community of Como Park’s new objectives, the administration is sponsoring a school-wide poster contest. The theme for the contest is “Join the Cougar Pride” and the first place prize is $50. Two hundred copies of the winning poster will be printed and distributed throughout the school, schools feeding into Como and in places where the community will be able to see them.

In May several Como Park students took the advanced placement test in European history. Previous to these students who were then sophomores, only juniors and seniors had taken the test in the St. Paul schools. St. Anthony Park residents K. C. Somdahl and Allison Ford along with another Como student in Ms. Carol Adams’ world history class passed the exam and earned an advanced placement (college) credit on this comprehensive essay and objective question test. Congratulations!

The choir concert will be held Thurs., Dec. 11 (not Dec. 12 as listed in last Bugle) at 7:30 p.m. in the Como Park auditorium. The band concert will be Wed., Dec. 17 at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

—Donnette Cox

A student strike was held at Central High School on Oct. 23. Approximately 200 students gathered around the entrance to the school voicing their objections to school policies. Although the strike was downsized the administration realized that students were serious about their objections.

Park resident Paul Deidrich, a member of the Central cross country team, placed 14th in the state cross country meet this past month. By placing in the top 25, Deidrich became a member of the all-state team.

Congratulations! Members of the Central Student Council include the following St. Anthony Park residents: Steph Leho, Josi Seegmiller, Laura Duke, Charlie Kersey, Sara Skorbo, Rebekah Mengelkoth, Katie Landt, Carl Peterson, Rachel Heblon, Josh Reaford, Kelly MacGregor, Rebekah Gaiser, Regis Ban, Shena Lohse, Kari Neelanceman, Mara Krinke, Katharine Gainer and Marty Rudy. Courtney Hoard is president of the group and Liz Flynn is vice president. Congratulations to them.

—Charlie Kersey

Miss Cleary’s fifth graders at Britannah Elementary School did a science project which was a hot air balloon.

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—Loeb Vestermark

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Mulvey will do a follow-up talk for Murray students on Fri., Dec. 12, at 12:45 p.m., entitled "Rebells, Pepsi, and Drugs—You Don't Need Them." For further information on these two presentations, call Marlene Mert, Murray school nurse, 645-9475.

—Ann Budiger

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James Holmes poses with the giant pumpkin he won at the pumpkin party at St. Anthony Park Elementary School. James is the son of Tom and Alyce Holmes.

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Community Calendar

DECEMBER

1 Mon.
Falcon Heights/Lauderdale Lions Club, Denzy's restaurant near Rosedale, 6 p.m. Call 645-5982.
Boy Scout Troop 254, Lauderdale Peace Lutheran Church, 1744 Walnut, 7 p.m. Call 633-5305. Also Dec. 11.
Boy Scouts, St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 2129 Commonwealth Ave., 7 p.m. Call 644-4175. Every Mon.
AA, St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 2323 Como Ave., 8 p.m. Call 645-2329 or 770-2646. Every Mon.

2 Tues.
Baker School & St. Cecilia's Old Timers, The Professor's at Har Mar, 9 p.m.
Lauderdale Friends and Neighbors, City Hall, 1891 Walnut, 7 p.m.
AA, 1407 Cleveland, 7-30 p.m. Call 646-0127 or 645-2529. Every Tues.
St. Anthony Park Association Board, St. Anthony Park Branch Library, 7 p.m. Call Joan Dow-Byrne, 645-0161.

3 Wed.
Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 2280 Hillside, 10 a.m. Meeting, no program.

4 Thurs.
District 12 Physical Planning Committee, South St. Anthony Recreation Center, 890 Cromwell, 5 p.m.
District 12 Human Services Committee, 2380 Hampden, 7 p.m.
St. Anthony Park School Association, St. Anthony Park Elementary School, 7 p.m.

7 Sun.
St. Anthony Park merchants' open house, afternoon.
Open house, Commonwealth Healthcare Center 2227 Commonwealth Ave., 2-4 p.m.
Open house & bazaar, Twin City Linens Home, 2040 Como Ave., 2-4 p.m.
Advent Lessons and Carols, Chapel of the Cross, Northwestern Lutheran Church, 7 p.m.

8 Mon.
Falconers Senior Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 1 p.m.
Northern Lights 4-H Club, St. Anthony Park Elementary School, 6:45 p.m.

9 Tues.
St. Anthony Park Association, St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 6 p.m. Call Bill or Mary Jane Addison, 646-8772.
"Parenting your Children away from Drugs" by Charles W. Malvoy, Murray Junior High School, 7 p.m.
Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 1891 Walnut, 7:30 p.m.

10 Wed.
Recreational Day.
Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 10 a.m. Birthdays.
District 12 Community Council Get-together, Parkbank, 6-8 p.m.
Langford Park party for parents and children (pre-K through grade 6), South St. Anthony Recreation Center, 890 Cromwell, 6:30 p.m. Call 298-5770.
Falcon Heights City Council, City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 7 p.m.

11 Thurs.
Choir concert, Como High School, 7:30 p.m.

13 Sat.
Free dance performance by St. Anthony Park School of Dance, 2481 Como Ave. (Como at Haddon), 11 a.m.

14 Sun.
The Lura Concert, Luther Northwestern Seminary Chapel of the Incarnation, Fullham at Hensdon, 7:30 p.m. "An Italian Christmas with The Gregorian Singers."

15 Mon.
Club Scout pack, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 7 p.m.
Falcon Heights/Lauderdale Lions Club, Lauderdale City Hall, 7 p.m.

16 Tues.
St. Anthony Park Writers' Group, 1395 Chelmsford, 7:30 p.m. Call 646-8771.

17 Wed.
Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 10 a.m. Christmas dinner entertainment by Murray Junior High students.
Band concert, Como High School, 7:30 p.m.
Langford Boosters Club, South St. Anthony Recreation Center, 7:30 p.m.

18 Thurs.
Great Books Club of Falcon Heights, Falcon Heights United Church of Christ, 1795 Holton, 7 p.m. Call 646-2891.

19 Fri.
Last day of school before winter vacation, St. Paul & Roseville public schools.
Handel's Messiah at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church 7:30 p.m. call 645-3058.

20 Sat.
Contra dancing, Oddfellows Hall, 2380 Hampden, 8 p.m. Run of the Mill City Dance Band. All dances taught. 9:50. Call 690-4851.

21 Sun.
Caroling, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 3:30-5 p.m.

22 Mon.
Falconers Senior Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 1 p.m.
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lessons for two years. The two spent much of their time harmonizing together on their instruments.

Meyers, who is one of those people who seems to have tried just about everything at least once, has repaired and refurbished numerous antiques in his home, built everything from boxes to gan stocks and is a gifted photographer who develops his own film.

Several years ago Meyers had another hobby that turned into a second vocation. After he caught his first trophy muskie and had it stuffed, he decided he could do it better himself, and learned taxidermy. Now several fish, preserved by his handiwork, grace his home. "I enjoy guitars more," he says. "They don't stink."

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