Housing proposed at Energy Park Drive/ Raymond Ave.

By Kathy Malchow

St. Anthony Park developer and resident, Steve Wellington, has proposed construction of ten units of replacement housing rental townhomes on the southeast corner of Raymond Ave. & Energy Park Drive. They would replace the Terado Corp. and the house now on the site. Both are for sale.

Accompanying the housing would be a convenience store/gas station on the northwest corner of that intersection, on land now owned by the City of St. Paul.

But the proposal has run into serious snags.

It has come at a time when both the city and St. Anthony Park are taking hard looks at long-term housing issues. The St. Anthony Park Community Council has just charged a Long-term Housing Development sub-committee to come up with a housing plan to replace the last one, which was done in 1981.

But the sub-committee is also faced with the shorter-term prospect of replacement housing, in other words, where in St. Anthony Park to locate new housing to replace the units lost at Myrtle & Cromwell because of the expansion of Twin City Test.

The city has allocated a subsidy of $275,000 for replacement housing within District 12, but in order to use those monies a plan must be in place by the end of May. Wellington is the first to offer such a plan, but so far neither the city nor the community council has pledged support.

The city's department of Planning & Economic Development (PED) contends family housing is not appropriate at Energy Park Drive & Raymond because the area is zoned industrial and is subject to heavy volume of traffic and pollution from cars, trains and trucks.

Wellington counters this by citing there is already family housing on Everett Court, just behind the area he hopes to develop, and that the neighbors on that street would welcome the new project as a buffer from more industrial encroachment.

The biggest bone of contention, however, is financing. PED states the Wellington development would need a subsidy of $500,000, or $50,000 per unit, instead of the $275,000 the city has allocated.

(The city has to subsidize new construction of rental housing because people can't afford to pay market rates.) $50,000 per unit is nearly twice what the city has paid for any previous rental housing development.

Wellington wants the opportunity to sit down with PED to discuss the financing—something he says he was not invited to do before the $500,000 figure was announced. "I want to make it clear that I did not request a $500,000 subsidy," he said. "I don't think it would require that amount of money." He believes the figure to be closer to $275,000 if the city turns over the additional land he wants for the convenience store. He said the store is a necessary part of the development in order to make it viable as a neighborhood.

Several members of the St. Anthony Park Community Council are in favor of recommending approval for this development on the grounds that housing at Energy Park Drive & Raymond provides one means of linking the two residential halves of St. Anthony Park. But the council decided at its February meeting not to take a stand on Wellington's proposal now in order to allow time to take a comprehensive look at all of St. Anthony Park to locate and evaluate other sites for replacement housing.

In the meantime, as this issue of the Bugle goes to press, Wellington was preparing to meet with Mayor Latimer, Councilmember Kiki Sovern, and officials at PED to push for his proposal—and discuss the financing.

Park woman wins service award

Jean Donaldson of St. Anthony won a city-wide award for individual leadership in the field of human services. The honor was announced at the second annual St. Paul Better Neighborhoods Forum, held at the College of St. Catherine on Feb. 11.

The honors was the announcement of the winner of the Elizabeth Clark Neighborhood Activist Award, named after the late Elizabeth Clark of South St. Anthony Park. This year that award was given to Marilyn Treeno, an East Side newspaper editor and volunteer.

Three students from St. Anthony Park Elementary submitted entries in the program's writing contest for young people. Nathan Leslie, Megan Chang and Delaney Feigal-Skiles wrote on "What my neighborhood means to me." Named as the St. Paul business/corporate neighbor of the year was the Hubert H. Humphrey Job Corps Center.

And the city's Neighborhood Honor Roll gained three more St. Anthony Park names: Janet Quale, Paul Savage and Fred Steinhauser were recognized as outstanding neighborhood volunteers.

Children and adults celebrated the centennial of the Children's Home Society's first building

"One child, one home, one life at a time" One hundred children from Children's Home Society's child care centers were bused to the society's new building at 1665 Eutis to sing "Happy Birthday" and "kick off" the centennial celebration on Jan. 31. After the "kick off," staff and board members gathered to witness the unveiling of the centennial poster by artist Linda Frichelt. Posters are now for sale at the society's offices.

Jean Donaldson

Donaldson is in her third term as a member of the St. Anthony Park Community Council, where she is chairperson of the Human Services Committee. For ten years she has been chairperson of volunteer services for the Minnesota-Wisconsin Division of the American Red Cross. She has also served on the Overnite Shelter Board and worked with the St. Anthony Park Block Nurse Program. Her award recognizes over 4,000 hours of involvement with these and other organizations.

The Better Neighborhoods Forum, sponsored by the city, provided concurrent workshops for neighborhood activities in addition to distributing awards. Topping

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March 10 is the filing deadline for residents who wish to run for a seat on the Community Council. Elections will be held on April 11 to elect two delegates for North St. Anthony and three delegates for South St. Anthony, each for two-year terms. Two alternates for each delegate position will be elected for one-year terms.

St. Anthony Park Council members make decisions that affect residents and businesses and communicate neighborhood concerns and plans to the city's goals. St. Paul regarding rezoning of properties, planning for the future, and proposals paid for with city funds and planning for the delivery of neighborhood services. Initiating new projects such as the community garden, Neighborhood Senior Chore Service, Block Nurse Program and Block Wide network is also part of the council's activity.

Anyone eligible to run should file forms on this page or contact Ken Holde, 646-5150 (South of Energy Park Drive) or Paul Savage, 646-2114 (North of Energy Park Drive). Those interested in service on the West Midway business delegation should contact Steve Garfield, 646-8819.

Environmental tip of the month

The Environment Committee of the St. Anthony Park Community Council is the one where "the sky's the limit." It's one of four committees consisting of neighbors from St. Anthony Park getting together a few hours each month to discuss problems, make decisions and work on projects. These committees are the "nuts and bolts" of the council.

The Environment Committee's charter covers a challenging mix of down-to-earth projects and what some people call blue-sky-futuristic projects. Our goals cover everything from neighborhood beautification and safety to waste minimization and environmental pollution. There's something for everyone.

We're looking for people who organized last fall's neighborhood cleanup and the ones who are planning a hazardous waste cleanup this summer. We sponsor several horticulture projects. We want neighborhood groups in winning grants that will bring flowers and trees to local

1989 Home Tour

St. Paul will join Minneapolis this year in hosting the 1989 Home Tour. The St. Paul program will involve a public tour of showcase homes designed to provide fresh ideas on buying or remodeling a home.

The Home Tour will take place the weekend of May 6 & 7. Organizers hope to provide a wide cross-section of 20 neighborhoods for the public to tour. Each district has been asked to select one house as a candidate to represent that district on the tour. The Community Council will provide volunteers to staff the house during the hours of the tour, which are expected to be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sat., noon-6 p.m. on Sun.

Residents of St. Anthony Park are asked to call Paul Savage at 292-7884 or to visit the office at 890 Cromwell Ave. to learn how you can participate.
Piano and violin performers at Music in the Park

Violinist Stephanie Chase and pianist William Black make their Twin Cities debut as part of the Music in the Park Series' tenth anniversary season on Sun., March 5, 4 p.m. The concert, which takes place at St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 2129 Commonwealth Ave., is sponsored in cooperation with the Schubert Club as part of its Debut Series.

Stephanie Chase

As the top American prize winner at the Tschaikovsky Competition and the recipient of a 1987 Avery Fisher Grant Award, Chase has won acclaim for her performances throughout the world. Since her debut with the Chicago Symphony at age 9 she has been heard with such symphony orchestras as Pittsburgh, Baltimore and St. Louis. In 1986 Chase was guest soloist with the Hong Kong Philharmonic in its historic first tour of the People's Republic of China and with the London Symphony Orchestra playing the Tschaikovsky Concerto.

Pianist William Black first attracted attention as a winner of the Concert Artist Guild Competition in 1975. His sold-out debut the following year led to a highly successful European debut in London's Wigmore Hall and appearances with the English Baroque Orchestra. A graduate of Oberlin Conservatory and the Juilliard School, Black also studied at the Mozarteum in Salzburg.

Their program will feature sonatas by Mozart, Poulenc, Grieg, and the world premiere of a work commissioned by the Schubert Club and written for Chase by Dushan composer Eleanor Hovda. The work, entitled "Strings," is described by the composer as "a sound choreography" and is "shaped by bending, twisting, and stretching basic pitch relationships as much as possible without breaking them." How the music has been performed by leading ensembles such as The Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra, The Kronos String Quartet and The St. Louis Symphony. Tickets for the concert are $8, available at The Babelot Shop (644-5651) and Micawber Books (645-5996). Student rush tickets at concert time are $4. For further information, call 644-4234.

Scouts thank Methodist Church

This year, in recognition of the centennial of St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, Cub Scout Pack 22 celebrates the church's 79-year involvement with the Scouting program.

In Oct., 1910, only eight months after the Boy Scouts of America was founded, the church sponsored a Boy Scout unit under Mr. E. H. Lewett. The unit was chartered with the national scout office in New York City as Boy Scout Troop 35 in April of 1911, under Dr. Frank Conk. In 1918, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church moved to its present location at Hillside and Como. Troop 35 was transferred to a new sponsor.

In Dec. 10, 1919, the church chartered a new Boy Scout unit. Troop 22, Pastor A. J. Northrup and Scoutmaster Harry E. Bartelt were its first leaders. This unit became the first chartered organization in the Indianhead Council of America, formed in 1916.

In Feb., 1930, Cub Scouts of America was incorporated into the Boy Scouts of America. The St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church addressed the needs of younger boys in the community by chartering Cub Scout Pack 22 in Feb., 1948, under Pastor Wilbur Grove. Cub Scout Pack 22 celebrates their 40th year with the St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church this year, addressing the needs of even younger boys.

As scouting became more popular, many units were chartered, leading to smaller individual unit memberships. In 1967, Troop 22 disbanded and members were transferred to Troop 17, which continues to be active today.

The scouting program has changed over the years, with additions of extended programs like the Webelos Scouts for fifth graders, the Explorer Scouting program and camping opportunities for cub scouts. But the focus of scouting has remained the same and St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church has not wavered from its support of scouting ideals: service to God, self and country. The congregation is the longest continuous chartered sponsor of a scouting unit in the Indianhead Council of Boy Scouts of America. The members of this church have had a tremendous hand in developing the leaders and future leaders of our community, state and country.

A heartfelt "Thank you" to St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church from Cub Scout Pack 22, past and present and future.

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Major session issues

One pundit recently observed that if the current legislative session were a Broadway play, it would have closed by now. This session may not be lacking in intrigue, but I confess I’m liking the orderly fashion in which discussion of policy choices is proceeding thus far. And let me assure you, the issues are far from dull. Consider the following items on our agenda already.

The first controversial bill to be debated this year was the Adult Health Care Decisions Act which would allow a person to write a living will giving instructions for their health care in the event of a terminal medical condition. Minnesota is one of only twelve states that does not legally recognize living wills, and the issue has generated a debate about medical ethics. I have decided to support the bill. I believe it affirms the dignity of individuals to recognize their own wishes in these difficult situations.

Legislation was recently introduced banning the ownership of military assault weapons such as the AK-47 semi-automatic rifle which was used in the shooting at the California elementary school. Such firearms can currently be purchased over the counter in Minnesota without even a background check. The National Rifle Association opposes the legislation, but I confess I just don’t see the need for a nation armed with semi-automatic weapons. We hope we pass it and inspire Congress to do the same.

Approximately 10% of all Minnesotans are not covered by any health care insurance, and the government-sponsored health care program. Many of these people are employed in low paying jobs without benefits. Several proposals have been introduced to address this issue, but the cost of extending health care coverage will not be cheap. Estimates range from $150 to 300 million dollars a year. The key is to have a proper role for state government in resolving this issue.

This is the session when the entire budget for state government will be considered – all thirteen billion for the next two years. Funding for property tax relief programs and for education – from Headstart through post graduate school – are generating considerable interest, but there are a lot of tough decisions to be made.

If I’ve mentioned an issue here that piqued your interest, please let me know. I would love to hear from you, and I’ll be happy to supply more information.

Plenty of warmth for a cold evening

By Bruce Dalgaard

I walked into the St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church to the sounds of laughter, the smells of good food, and the sights of friendly, smiling faces. The chill from the night’s bitter cold dissipated as I moved through the group, from the long-time friends and identifying potential new ones. I’d never before participated in the St. Anthony Park Association’s Progressive Dinner. I was looking forward to meeting new people and get to know more about my neighbors. But, that could wait. We got started. My first priority was that table of hors d’oeuvres.

The St. Anthony Park Association has been organizing these Progressive Dinners for three years. This year they had to be indoors – well your guess is as good as mine! If the members had met, they would have fulfilled the expectations raised by the first course, it would have been quite an evening. I learned quickly to keep my food plate in my left hand so I could shake hands with my right. The reception gave me plenty of time to meet some new people and to partake of good food. The hors d’oeuvres ran out well before the conversation. I was “hungry” for more of each and the evening was structured to allow me to get my fill.

After the opening reception, participants broke up into small groups and moved to neighborhood homes for the bread and salad course. It wasn’t so much the cold of the evening as the desire to get to my next home and conversation stop that barged me on my way. Unlike the large group setting at the church, the homes provided more intimate settings for the next three courses.

As I moved from house to house, each setting with what I was assured were very low calorie dishes, I met new people. It’s great to be able to sit down to a meal with new people, and to talk with people who have different backgrounds and socialize. There are always new residents in the neighborhood and this is an excellent way to meet and get to know many great people on this cold February evening.

There was general agreement among all in my group that dinner was a success. Many of the group who have dined this way earlier rather than standing on the streets of downtown St. Paul watching the Torchlight Parade. As a result, the event in St. Anthony Park is now the best entertainment and finest company is right at home. Next year I really must try that artichoke appetizer.
Nintendo Piano

By Warren Hanson

My kids got a Nintendo game system for Christmas, and they play it all the time. For those of you who don't know what a Nintendo is, it is an electronic entertainment device that hooks up to a TV set, allowing one to play video games, like the classic games, on the comfort and privacy of one's own home. A handheld little box with buttons on it allows the player to actually control the action on the screen, using the power previously only wielded by changing channels.

The main component of a Nintendo is the Control Deck, a plastic box with plugs in the front for the controllers and a wire out the back that hooks up to the TV set. The Control Deck also has a small door in the front, into which one inserts the game cartridges, one of which comes free with the basic system. Then there are accessories available, like the Power Pad and the Wireless Remote Controller (each sold separately).

One can play many, many different games on a Nintendo, and each game comes in the form of a cartridge that looks a lot like an old 8-track tape. In fact, it is inside the cartridge that the electronic brains of the system reside. The Control Deck itself is basically an empty box with a little bit of wiring in it. But the game cartridges have the microchips and the programming and all the other stuff that determines whether the action on the screen is a space flight or a karate match or a little Italian guy trying to rescue a princess. Of course, it also allows that the basic game system is relatively expensive, while the game cartridges are giving the kids in the neighborhood a very real lesson in deficit spending. In fact, I have heard that St. Anthony Park Bank is offering a Nintendo Loan, and will accept bikes and skateboards as collateral.

So that is a quick description of what a Nintendo system is. And I have to give the people behind it a lot of credit. It is a marvel of marketing. Lure the kids with a cheap empty plastic box, give them one game free, and the kids will gladly hand over their allowances for the rest of their lives to buy more game cartridges. Of course, the whole scheme would crumble if the games weren't fun. And they are fun. In fact, some of them are so much fun that, as a conscientious parent, I really should disapprove. But I have watched my kids play Nintendo together for a couple of months, and I am quite impressed with the spirit of cooperation involved. It seems to engender the spirit of cooperation, and I can prove that by showing you an angrily hurled Monopoly piece stuck into our family room wall.

Nintendo is even forgiving. As one manipulates the little character or vehicle on the screen through any of a million obstacle courses, the game allows the player to make two otherwise fatal mistakes before a third and final mistake ends the game, at which point the player can start over and do it again. That is a much higher degree of forgiveness than is offered to me, by say, my insurance company. One missed premium and I am on my own.

So the forgiveness of a couple of innocent mistakes, coupled with the chance to make a fresh start without even being scolded, plus the fact that the games are fun and actually have music that coincides with the action on the screen, all add up to one thing: kids love Nintendo. They play and play and play and practice and practice, and they end up quite good at it.

So why don't they do that with their piano lessons?

That's right...in true parental fashion, I can not stand it when my kids like something that is not the thing I want them to like. I want them to like the piano. I want them to play and play and practice and practice and practice and end up getting quite good at it. So what does Nintendo have that piano doesn't?

In Nintendo, the object is to start at the beginning and get to the end. Just like piano.

In Nintendo, the action moves along a path, going up and going down, in an attempt to reach the goal without mistakes. Just like piano.

In Nintendo, one is allowed a couple of mistakes before finally going back to the beginning to start over. Just like piano. In fact, piano out-forbids Nintendo by a mile, because in piano the player can make a million mistakes and still have the joy of getting to the end, although this is not really advisable. And in Nintendo, the concentration and repetition ultimately lead to highly-developed hand-eye coordination, giving the player the ability to get from beginning to end without mistakes. At that point the player can begin to refine the skill and explore the subtleties of the game. And the same is true of playing the piano.

As a bonus, both Nintendo and piano have music to accompany the action.

So what is the difference? Why do my kids get up early on a Saturday morning to do one, but develop a stomach ache every time they're supposed to do the other?

I think it's all marketing. Nintendo is a Japanese product, and the Japanese are cunning marketers. They have made the basic game system cheap, then made the game cartridges (a) desirable and (b) expensive. Then at Christmas time they pulled the old Cabbage Patch trick of a shortage. By telling us that we probably couldn't have one, they made us all want one. And we fell for it, hook, line and Power Pad.

But the piano has remained largely the domain of the neighborhood piano teacher, typically a gentle older woman who teaches kids to play simple sonatas after school while her cat sleeps on top of that a little fresh terminology would be in order. What are known in marketing parlance as "buzz words."

Those books of exercises that the kids have to buy? Let's call them software. And let's get some California designer to create the covers. Make them more desirable. Then make them expensive.

And let's create some model names for the instruments themselves. Not like "console" or "spinet," which sounds like something to make yarn on. Let's call them "Viper" and "Slime Demon." (Can't you just hear it? "Now here is Van Cliburn, performing on a Steinway Slime Demon.")

Illustration by Warren Hanson

And the pianos should be painted with fluorescent high-gloss enamel. Make them look less like pieces of furniture and more like pieces of art. And stickers! We'll need colorful stickers, which the kids can actually plaster all over the piano. (I know it sounds like desecration, but do we want them to play piano or to let's have the stickers say things like "Way Beyond Middle C" and "Pedal to the Metal" and "Keyboard...The Ultimate Controller."

And finally, once we have put that kind of excitement into the piano, tell the kids they can't have it. Tell them that the teachers are all booked up and can't take any more students. Create a shortage. Then stand back and watch piano lessons become a nationwide obsession.

And what will happen to Nintendo? Oh, it will still be played. But kids will have to go to the home of a gentle older woman to take lessons, while her cat sleeps on the Control Deck and her supper cooks on the stove.
Open enrollment

Who's using it?

Schneiderham said the district expected more applications this time around because more people were aware of the program this year.

Unlike some school districts that have had to turn away students to comply with desegregation plans, Roseville's enrollment distribution has not been affected by open enrollment, Schneiderham said.

"Compared to other suburbs we have a fairly large percentage of minority students—about 10 percent," she said. "The influx hasn't altered that figure significantly."

There is a cap on the number of students Roseville schools will accept, however. But this is because of space limitations.

Roseville Area High School will accept no more than 50 students and Roseville Area Middle School will accept no more than 30. The Center School has a cap of 25.

At The Center School, the cap was imposed to ensure that at least 75 percent of the students would be from within the district in the program, a first year, Schneiderham said.

So far, no students have been turned away because of the cap. Initially, the middle school planned to accept no more than 25 students from outside the district. But that number was raised to 30 when 20 applications came in during the last open enrollment period.

The district does not provide special transportation for students living outside its boundaries. But for the Landucks, this has proved to be no problem.

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Focusin on The Center School

By Jeri Glick-Anderson

An alternative elementary school that emphasizes students' involvement in the community will open in Roseville this fall.

The Center School, which will be housed in the former Parkview Middle School at Dale Street and County Road B, will offer kindergarten through fifth grade. The school is designed to give students the opportunity to learn more about their communities through hands-on projects and activities. Fifth grade will be added to the program in 1999-91 school year, and sixth grade in 1991-92.

The school is expected to have up to 200 students in its first year. About 150 are registered as of March 1989, including 15 from outside school district 623, who have signed up through the school's open enrollment program.

"As children develop, their commitment expands from the family to the classroom, the school, the community, the state and the world," said Dr. Jack Greenawalt, director of administrative services for Roseville Area School District. "With this in mind, some people want to communicate that sense of community in our lives today is not as strong as it should be.

The Center School addressess this concern by providing students with a sense of their involvement in the life of the community, Greenawalt said. The school will use the same basic curriculum, testing programs and methods of reporting to parents as other Roseville schools. And like other area schools, it will have a student-teacher ratio of at least 25.

The Center School will be unique in that it will build on what students are learning at home and in school. It will emphasize basic skills, subjects and electives relating to the community involve- ment theme, Greenawalt said.

Among the unique features of the program will be multi-age groupings, cooperative learning, a foreign language requirement and community involvement projects.

"It is an alternative approach to education heavily involved with parental input and participation," said Judee Crep, who began her new post as principal of The Center School in July. Crep is currently superintendent of Cass Lake-Bena School District.

"While learning delivery sys- tems will be different from other schools, appropriate behavior and academic performance requirements will be the same," Crep said.

In multi-age groupings, chil- dren of various ages but simi- lar levels of ability will be in one class together. One child, therefore, might be in a math class with students older than himself but in a reading class with others his age. This would be determined by his levels of ability in differ- ent areas, Greenawalt said.

For older children, working with younger students helps to reinforce the material they have been taught. For younger children, older stu- dents provide positive role models, Crep said. "It bene- fits both. It requires sharing, helping and caring."

The cooperative learning component is what con- vinced the Blacks of Falcon Heights to send their son Dan to The Center School next fall, said parent David Black.

Cooperative learning emphasizes teamwork. In some areas, students will work with the same group of three to five and be evaluated as a group. But each child will also have to show individually that he or she understands the concept being taught. For instance, a group might work together to solve a math problem. Each member of the group would have to be able to explain how the answer was derived, Greenawalt said.

"We like the idea of coopera- tive rather than competitive learning," said Black, whose son Dan now attends second grade at Falcon Heights Ele- mentary School.

"I think it's good training for the real world. It's more of a model of real world work situ- ations," where people usually work in teams, he said.

When urban students learn from their peers' different perspectives and approaches, stu- dents can gather knowledge more quickly than if they worked alone. Socially, stu- dents learn to work with oth- ers, to be active members of groups and to keep groups productive, Crep said. "I believe it's a good hand-on application of skills," she said.

The Blacks also were attracted by the foreign lan- guage requirement and sports activities available at The Center School.

A foreign language will be required to give students a sense of being a part of the global community. Probably Spanish will be taught because it is taught at the Hispanic seg- ment of the U.S. population continuing to grow at a sub- stantial rate, Greenawalt said.

The sports facilities - including a swimming pool and tennis courts - are rarely found in other elementary schools. The Center School will have them because it will be housed in a former middle school.

Community outreach pro- jects will vary with the mature- ty and interests of students. Greenawalt said. Possibilities might include beautification or conservation projects, or a child might adopt a "grand- parent" from an area retirement or nursing home.

"The students will involve children reaching out to the community, and the commu- nity reaching in to the school," Greenawalt said.

Black said this component of The Center School was another reason he chose to enroll Dan. "I think it's important for kids to grow up with a perspective of where they are and how they fit into society," he said.

While the basic components of The Center School's programs have been put togeth- er, the specifics will be developed by Crep and the staff in cooperation with parents. Crep plans to organize a par- ent-advisory board for this purpose.

"The parent-advisory group will provide direction and guidance to the staff and to me," Crep said. "It also will be a part of the evaluation system.

The school will depend heavily on parent volunteers, although this is not a requirement. Parents, teachers and students will turn to community resources and state and local fund- ing programs to help operate its programs, she said.

"It's an exciting opportunity and challenge," Crep said. "Parents, teachers and I will have the opportunity to shape and mold changes in the educational process. Students will be able to reap the benefits of learning skills in a more positive environment. We'll be leading the way."

Community Council hosts March meeting

There's something special going on at the St. Anthony Park Association meeting, March 14...and it's one of the council's responsibilities to be a part of it.

The dinner will be hosted by the Southern Branch Community Council (previously District 12) and the group's aim will be a briefing to the community on each of the four permanent committees of the council: Environment, Housing, Physical Planning and Human Services. There's a lot to know about...so make sure that you are a part of it.

There are three important, unique, and needed organizations in St. Anthony Park that work hard to make this a special place to live. St. Anthony Park Community Council (SAPCC), St. Anthony Park Association (SAPA) and St. Anthony Park Merchants & Professionals Association (SAPMPA). All three need your involvement.

SAPCC is an elected body of equal representation from north, south, east and west St. Anthony Park in addition to representa- tion from the Midwest Civic and Northwest Civic Association. It is the "grass roots" of government: It exists as a vehicle for input into city government from the community, and is accessible to each and every resident of the community. In order to be effective, an individual needs to be aware of its existence and utilize the council in its interests.

SAPA, the oldest of the three organizations, has been in exist- ence since 1947. Its nature and mission have changed more than once through the years, but its current objectives are to provide oppor- tunities for positive neighbor to neighbor contact, to maintain and enhance the culture diversity of the community, and to help promote a safe and attractive physical environment. While nearly 300 residents pay dues and 60-100 attend the monthly meetings, thousands enjoy.

Famous annual Fourth of July celebration, its New Neighbor program, the annual Park Festival, its annual Community Chorus Grant presentation and concert, annual neighborhood cleanup, its contributions to the Boost- er Club Nurse Program, the Blockbeker and Block monthly newsletter, recycling efforts, neighborhood information Hotline, the annual progressive dinner, the annual banquet at the library, its support of special events such as the Centennial events, the annual bus trip to the Noah Adams bus trip, the Old Tyme picnic in south St. Anthony Park, the annual county tour and other events important to the community.

SAPMPA is an official coalition of the merchants and profession- als in the community. It is also a voluntary organization: its goals are determined by its member organiza- tional and business members who do business in our community. Also meeting monthly, this organization welcomes input from the public.

All three of the organizations are vital to community continuity to keep this place special, to continue having a "sense of place," to keep this community strong, safe, friendly and in all ways unique. Support all three by presence (BELIEVE), by com- munication (CALU), and financi- ally (JOIN and/or send contribu- tions).

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Jan Meyer

Neighborhood notes

A big HURRAH for Christy Lamkin and the crew for the very successful progressive din- ner. The night was very well attended and well received. Thanks, Christy!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Mayor George Latimer is scheduled to speak at the May SAPA meeting. Come and find out what's he's doing and where he's going.

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How does her garden grow?

By Tara Christopherson

We know who we are. We walk past 2309 Carter Avenue and covet the casual profu- sion of blooms in Judith Wehrwein’s flower borders. Then we find any reason to return by the same route for a second longing look. Relax. Our awkward admiration and neighborly “Oohs” and “Ahs” are some of the most rewarding aspects of Wehrwein’s cherished avocation.

Word of her talent recently spread beyond the limits of St. Anthony Park. Better Homes and Gardens chose Wehrwein’s traditional English borders as one of five American gardens showcased in the Spring 1989 issue of Garden Ideas and Outdoor Living.

National fame has been fun but the real reward is still the gardening. Wehrwein admits to few other hobbies; “sewing, reading, going to plays—that sort of thing.” When she isn’t gardening she works full-time as a legal assistant in the Attorney General’s office.

Her walls are hung with botanical prints. She serves our tea, with milk, in cups and saucers patterned in flowers with Latin names. On this frigid winter day she willingly interrupts work on a Waverly fabric of old-fashioned rose motifs (soon to be her hall curt- tains) to talk gardens.

English-born Wehrwein credits her heritage with her passion for gardening. “My parents were gardeners. Father grew the vegetables, Mother, the flowers. And I’ve tried to have a bit of a garden wherever I’ve been.”

Wehrwein has had this “bit” of a garden for just over ten years. Oddly enough she was first drawn to the cozy Cape Cod house. “Coming from a typical suburban house I decided this was as close as an English cottage as I was going to go.” The following spring residing perennial— garden phlox, chrysanthemums, daylilies and the like—started “popping up.” It was then that she realized that marvelous garden potential of this spacious, sunny, con- ner lot. Her first project was a vegetable garden. “The beds follow a curve. I wanted to give it some grace.”

Grace is something these serpentine brick-edged bor- ders have plenty of. There’s really been no master plan. (She did consult Bachman’s for the eastern border’s priva- cy screen.) The gardens have evolved as inspiration, time, and bricks became available. “She coveted,” My goal was never to have to pay for a brick.” Building sites, city demolition crews and a road- side dump in Wisconsin pro- vided most of her raw material. Confession: “I did finally have to break down and buy some bricks.”

Such do-it-yourself real will shame the armchair gardeners among us. But wait. There’s more. Wehrwein saves year-round for her $500- annual gardening budget but still has “twinges of conscience.” In the growing season she spends two hours after work each day with lawn and garden. “A well-kept lawn sets off flowers as noth- ing else can.” Weekends you’ll find her at six to four hours daily. Her husband Austin has chosen limited involvement in all this. She fondly describes his contribution as “a great tolerance for my obsession and eating late.”

And is she finished? Wehrwein laughs gaily; “I’d love to start over. It might be better not to crowd things so. I try to create an effect with whatever will grow and I get giddy every year.”

As secretary and five-year member of the Garden Club of Ramsey County she finds ample opportunities for temp- tation—the annual plant sale, for instance. “Oh I must have that.”

Most perennials are donn- ed by members, while annu- als are purchased from local greenhouses. “Selection is erratic, but interesting, and the prices are reasonable.” It’s open to the public; and this year’s sale will be held Sat., May 13, 8 a.m. to noon, at Memorial Episcopal Church, 1631 Ford Parkway, Highland Park.

If you haven’t seen her gar- den yet you can get a proper look the first weekend in June. There will be a St. Anthony Park garden tour in conjunction with our neigh- borhood festival. One of her favorites, delphinium, will be in bloom.

Some of her plants find their way to Wehrwein by unexpec- tional means. She’s adopt- ed vines from the Clusters in New York City. Sea World in San Diego, her daughter’s backyard in Seattle, and from her brother’s garden in Kent, England. Sentiment is a pow- erful temptation. She confides sheepishly, “I broke the law on two occasions and brought in plants from Eng- land—wild geranium and achil- lea from my mother’s garden.” She apologizes for having to look them up. “I can never remember the names of things.”

Well then, naming wouldn’t seem to be her secret. But how does her garden grow? She pondered that. “People say to me, ‘You must teach me to do that.’” Anyone can plant a plant in the ground. It’s the continuing care that’s going to pay off. It takes a lot of happy hard work.”

Photo courtesy Better Homes & Gardens

Judith Wehrwein’s “traditional English borders” are featured in the Spring 1989 issue of Garden Ideas and Outdoor Living.
Local fencers star again

Several members of Minnesota Excalibur Fencing Club, all coached by St. Anthony Park resident Robert van der Wee, produced outstanding performances at the Minnesota High School Fencing Championship and qualified for the National Junior Olympic Fencing Championship held in Colorado Springs, Colorado, at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Chris Swepoe, Minneapolis, won the men’s epee event at the State High School Championships and qualified for the Junior Olympics in six events. Six events is the maximum number of events in which a male his age can qualify. He is only the second Minnesotan to ever qualify in that many events. The first was St. Anthony Park resident Miles Phillips in 1982.

Park resident Jenni Prifil placed second in the women’s foil and qualified for three events at the National Junior Olympics. These three are the maximum number allowed for a woman of Jenni’s age.

Liz Krick, also a Park resident, won the women’s epee event and placed third in the

Women’s foil. She also qualified for the women’s epee and foil for the National Junior Olympics, in the under 20 age group.

Melissa Cutler, who lives in Lauderdale, placed second in women’s epee and fourth in women’s foil. She qualified to fence the under 20 women’s epee at the National Junior Olympics.

Steve Shane of St. Anthony Park also qualified in the under 20 men’s foil and Matt Cutler of Lauderdale, now attending American University in Washington, D.C., qualified in the under 20 men’s saber.

Minnesota Excalibur qualified nine fencers in 17 events for the Junior Olympic Championship. This was the greatest number of qualifiers from any Minnesota fencing club and accounted for 48 percent of all eligible qualifiers for that tournament.

Commonwealth neighbors still at odds

By Kathy McChow

Approval for construction of a 6-unit cluster housing develop-
ment at 2391-2397 Commonwealth Ave. was granted on Feb. 10 by the St. Paul Planning Commission. Many neighbors of this area on the southwest end of Common-
wealth Ave. plan to appeal the decision, primarily because they say the issue of density was not addressed by either those in the zoning office, who first gave the okay to this project, or by mem-
ers of the Planning Commis-

sion - the group that had final say.

An appeal, which would be heard by the City Council, must be filed within 15 days. If none is made, the developers, Dick Shoen and Roger Vik of Park II Development, may begin construction. The developers are longtime resi-
dents of the area in question.

They propose to construct a 64-unit townhouse development made up of three, two-unit buildings. Each unit will have three bed-
rooms, between 1,650 & 2,200 square feet of floor area, plus a two-car attached garage with one driveway per build-
ing that is accessed via Com-
monwealth Ave. Each unit is expected to sell in the $150,000 price range.

The likely appeal by the neighbors continues what has been a long process of discus-
sion between them, the devel-
opers and the city. Last fall Shoen presented his site plan to the St. Anthony Park Community Council, which approved the project on the basis of its conformity with

the Council’s 1981 housing plan for that area, and because Shoen stated the neighbors did not object. Many neighbors, upon hear-
ing the council’s decision later, contended they were not consulted about the proj-
et at all. They said Shoen misrepresented them.

A hearing before the Zoning Committee was the next step required in the process. The development needed to acquire a Special Condition Use Permit, within its residen-
tial area, to allow cluster housing, which is subject to eight conditions in the city’s rule book related to lot size, setbacks, size of units, etc.

Park II’s project met all the conditions, but the hearing was postponed several times at the request of both the developer and the city in order to allow time for the neighbors and developer to meet and talk about their dif-
ferences.

A list of conditions request-
ed by the neighbors was drawn up, and the Special Condition Use Permit was granted subject to the conditions and approved by Planning with those conditions written into the permit. They include regula-
tions on: building height (reduced by one foot); spacing between units (increased by one foot); set back (increased by one foot); speci-
fications of exterior building treatments and colors; reduction in the number of drive-
ways per building (one instead of two); phasing of construction, beginning at the south end of the property; and a screening plan (some combination of fencing and landscaping) that meets the neighbors’ approval.

Several neighbors contend the main issue was not

addressed here - the issue of density. They feel three buildings are too many for this area and want to see the entire project scrapped.

Bill Sletton is one of the neighbors who says their efforts have been miscon-

The Planning Commission looked at the list of small compromises written into the permit and concluded the neighbors’ needs had been met, when in fact, the neighbors objected to the entire project because they feel it’s too dense and aesthetically incompatible with the surrounding area.

Marlyn Ruttan, another neighbor, believes two members of the Planning Commis-

sion changed their minds to vote in the favor of the develop-

ers because they concluded the list of modifications was compromise enough.

These issues form the basis for their appeal.

Vern Ruttan says that “from the beginning the neighbors have been treated as an ‘enemy’ by city organiza-

tions. Those of us who have lived here a long time feel we have had any input in what we want the neighbor-

hood to be. One developer wanted to do was okay.”

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Bunnyfest
On Sat., March 18 at 10 a.m., kids and their families are invited to the Falcon Heights Bunnyfest in the Falcon Heights School gymnasium. The band will play; juice, milk and donuts will be on sale; and an Easter egg hunt will be held on the playground at 11:15 a.m., Register at the Falcon Heights City Hall. Event is sponsored by Falcon Heights School Community Education office by Wed., March 15. Cost is $1 per person. The event is sponsored by Falcon Heights Recreation and Falcon Heights School Community Education.

Art bulletin board
The St. Anthony Park Arts Forum has provided a special bulletin board on Como Ave., between the offices of Drs. Grossmann & Kirkegaard and Bjorndahl & Dodds, to inform neighbors and visitors of local art events and classes. "It's our gift to the community," says Linda Westgaard of the group, "but I think it's the best-kept secret in the Park." The display was designed by Lou Saler and built by Tim Smith, local artists.

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Habitat for toddlers
The Children's Museum at Bandana Square is opening Habitat this month. It's a developmentally play environment for infants and toddlers ages six months to three years. It consists of three mini-landscapes: the youngest toddlers will explore "the Canyon," creeping along a wavy walk across foam canyon floors bathed in soft, sunlight colors. One- and two-year-olds will cross a suspended bridge, create invisible sound and discover flora and fauna of "the Island." Older toddlers clamber along alpine paths and crawl through the texture-out on landscapes below.

According to Children's Museum Executive Director Karen Dummer, the development of Habitat is an integral part of the Museum's long-term goal. "Habitat responds to a growing part of our audience. In our busiest months we attract from 700-1,000 children under the age of two. It's vitally important that we consider their needs, and those of their parents."

Running concurrently with Habitat will be child development classes and programs that provide parents with a new insight in the youngest members of their family. Habitat's opening marks the culmination of three years of research and development.

Lenten services
St. Anthony Park congregations' ecumenical mid-week Lenten Services continue at St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 2200 Hillside, on Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m. Preachers in the last weeks of Lent are: the Rev. Robert Nygaard, Corpus Christi Catholic Church, March 1; the Rev. Rolfe Hanson, St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, March 8; and the Rev. Robert Freese, St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, March 15.

Worshippers are invited to join members of the Leisure Center for dinner following the service. Meal reservations are required and can be made by calling the Methodist Church at 646-8605 by Mon. noon. Tickets are 82.

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Leeper still loves books
By Colette Snyder

Once upon a time there was a 12-year-old boy, Don Leeper, by name, who logged piles of books home from the library to read for the love of reading. Ten at a time he haggled the books home. Slippery, milky plastic covers gave each book a life of its own as it tried to slide from the pile, each in a different direction. Ten books, thin and fat, slipped at ten different angles, escaping the determined clutch of 12-year-old arms, elbows and chin.

The gait of the boy was characterized by books with their slippery covers. Hunch, step, step, hop. Chin down, knees up. Don did not mind the peculiar off-balance dance home because the library books, with the universe on their thick mousy soft pages, were irresistible.

The boy grew to manhood and the man went to college where he learned the art of filmmaking. When he thought he had learned enough, he went to California to seek his fortune. Alas, his fortune did not lie in California, nor did it lie in making films. Perhaps there was a message in that medium that said "wrong medium!"

Just as the slippery plastic book covers gave the library books of his youth a cold unnatural veneer that once made them slick elusive things in his boyish arms, there might have been a slick plastic coldness to the filmmaker's art. And perhaps it carried no reward worth the man's struggle to capture it.

In any case, Leeper the Man returned to Minnesota where he took up typesetting for City Pages and Twin Cities Reader. Type, Print. Paper. Different media, different message, perhaps.

In 1982 Leeper founded Stanton Publication Services in Minneapolis, and began to typeset for publishers such as the University of Minnesota Press and the Minnesota Historical Society.


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A is For At Bat is an alphabet book about baseball for baseball fans by baseball fans. It's available at McNab's Bookstore in St. Anthony Park and other Twin Cities bookstores. Culpepper's next book, Leeper to Z.

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Neighbors

Kris Hogenson from Langford Recreation Center was one of eight volunteers-of-the-month selected by the Saint Paul Division of Parks and Recreation in January. In February, Andy McIntosh, also from Langford, was one of four youth volunteers-of-the-month honored for their outstanding contributions of time and skills.

Dick Tresel, St. Anthony Park, was named the 1988 Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference football coach of the year after leading the Hamline Pipers to a 9-1 season and a share of the MIAC title. Tresel is athletic director at Hamline University.

David Hakensen has been named a vice president at Padilla Sper Beardley Inc., a Minneapolis-based national public relations counseling firm. He had been a senior account executive. He will continue to serve as the firm’s director of media relations. Hakensen is a St. Anthony Park native.

Leeper from 11
planned for fall publication, is North American Bindwitzers’ Lifestyles and Diary. Three more books are planned for spring of 1990.

“We have to figure a way to reach people who are going to be interested in a books,” says Leeper, a St. Anthony Park resident. One way to do that is by attending book fairs and drawing attention to Culpepper Press.

Leeper’s wife, Judy Ogren, provided a solution to that problem by stuffing a pepper. Not by cooking stuffed peppers, but by making and stuffing a 3-foot tall vivid red jalapeno pepper. The single red pepper is a giant model of the Culpepper Press logo. It stood sassy on a pole at the book fair as Culpepper’s beacon.

“Book publishing is complicated. You have to make a gut judgment on the appeal of a book and the look of a book, and use the analytical side to make the numbers work – percentages and unit costs. All the elements have to come together. It’s interesting to balance all those things and make them come together,” Leeper compares publishing to juggling. His goal for Culpepper Press is to move one step at a time and “see it grow to produce 10 or 15 books a year.”

Ten books. Step, step, hop.
Speaking Briefly

Violin recital

There will be a violin recital by student violinists Karl and Sonja Broughton and DeWayne Wee, professor of piano at St. Olaf College, Sun., March 5, at 3:00 p.m., in the Chapel of the Incarnation at Luther Northwestern Seminary. The recital is a benefit for the Lutheran Summer Music Program of which Karl Broughton is an alumnus and at which Professor Wee teaches.

Old Time Movies

The St. Anthony Park Library Association presents its annual evening of Old Time Movies on Fri., March 31. The laughs begin at 7 p.m. in the Community Interest Room of the library, 2245 Como Ave. The silent screen antics of Laurel & Hardy, WC Fields, Buster Keaton, Our Gang and Charlie Chaplin will be accompanied by live piano music, with Dr. Paul Murphy at the keyboard. In keeping with the evening’s theme, refreshments will be available at old time prices. For more information, or a full schedule of the films to be shown, drop by the library or phone 224-4055.

Handel’s Messiah

The choir of St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church, 2136 Carter Ave., will present the Lenten and Easter portions of Handel’s Messiah on Sun., March 19, 3 p.m. J. Michael Compton will conduct the choir. Soloists will be Elizabeth Mackenzie, Linda Burk, mezzo-soprano; Kurt Bardele, tenor; and Terry Burk, baritone. The orchestra will play instruments of the Baroque period. Tickets are $7.50 (including seniors and students) at the door or by calling 646-4225.

55-Alive

The 55-Alive Mature Driving refresher course will be held at Falcon Heights City Hall, 2077 N. Larpentier, March 16, 17, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and March 29-30, 6-10 p.m. The course is sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons and is open to all age 55 or older. Upon completion of the eight hours of retraining, a certificate is issued, which make persons 65 or older eligible for a discount on insurance premiums. Cost is $17. Call Falcon Heights City Hall, 644-5050, to register.

Lenten services

The March 5 Lenten Service at St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 2200 Hillside Ave., will feature Dennis Alexander, pastor of Wesley United Methodist Church, a downtown Minneapolis church noted for its ministry to AIDS victims. He will speak on the Lenten theme of rejection. On March 12, choirs of St. Anthony Park Churches will join to present music of the season. Services are at 7:30 p.m. Child care will be provided. All are free of charge.

On Golden Pond

The Patchwork Theatre will present On Golden Pond at Murray Junior High auditorium March 3, 10, 11, 12, 17 and 18 at 8 p.m. and March 12 at 2 p.m. Tickets are available at the door or by calling 483-2071.

South St. Anthony Rec Center

Area youth interested in wrestling will want to attend the West District Wrestling Clinic on Thurs., March 16, 6:30 p.m., at Como High School. This clinic is for grades 3-8 and will help prepare students for the city-wide wrestling tournament on Tues., March 21, at Como. The annual Egg Hunt for grades 4 and younger will be held Thurs., March 23, 4 p.m., at the rec center. There will be jelly bean guessing as well as the egg hunt and treats for all who attend.

The second annual South St. Anthony potluck dinner will be held April 18 at 6 p.m. Additional volunteers are needed to get door prizes, donations or help with the dinner. Call John or Mary at 298-5770, Mon.-Thurs., 4:30 p.m., if you can help. Spring brochures listing recreation programs will be available on request at the rec center after March 15. Highlights this spring include cooking class, spring cleanup day, free throw contest, Minnesota Twins games and Crosby Farm trip. For more information, call 298-5770, Mon.-Thurs., 4:30 p.m.

Egg decorating

Ukrainian Easter egg classes will be held at Falcon Heights United Church of Christ, 1795 Hoblot St., on March 12, 1 p.m. and March 16, 7 p.m. The history of egg making in the Ukraine and techniques for making eggs will be explained. Participants will make their own eggs. Since class size is limited, reservations must be made by March 9. Call the church at 465-2851 or Lois Faville, 488-7176.

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Speaking Briefly
Easter eggs at Bandana Square
Just in time for Easter, Eastern European egg decorating demonstrations are coming to Bandana Square's center court on Sat., March 18 and 25, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Debra Korluk will demonstrate Russian icon painting, and Katherina Filipovich will demonstrate the ancient art of Ukrainian Easter egg decorating, intricately decorated eggs with the raw egg inside eventually disintegrating. Come watch the Ukrainian egg decorating by Magda Rupp to understand the meaning of the symbolism on the eggs. These demonstrations are sponsored by Euopean Unlimited, located on the first floor of Bandana Square. The Bandana Square Easter Egg Hunt will be held at 9:30 a.m. on the first floor of Bandana Square. Call 645-2256.

Rutler's Requiem
John Rutler was born in London in 1945 and is one of the most prolific and well respected composers alive today. His works include orchestral and instrumental pieces, piano concertos and arrangements for singers such as The King Singers and the Beatles. His most popular choral work, "The Requiem," composed in 1985, will be performed in Budapest. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 2129 Commonwealth, on Sun., March 26 at 9:30 a.m. A chamber orchestra will accompany the choir, with Sue E. Page at the keyboards as Anthony Park performing one of the soprano solos. Call 646-7713.

Langford Park
A seven-week soccer skills clinic begins Fri., March 10. All youth (grades 1-6) are eligible. Spring soccer registration is March 15. Please register early because Highland Baptist Church AYSO, does set team roster limits.
The West District is sponsoring a wrestling clinic on Thurs., March 16, 6 p.m. at Cono High for grades 1-8. The event is free and no previous wrestling experience is necessary. The annualwide wrestling tournament will be Tues., March 21 at Cono. Registration deadline is March 15.
Langford's annual egg hunt is March 23 at 4 p.m. Come for games and a picnic. Call Langford, 298-5765, to request a complete listing of classes and activities.
During the winter, the lost and found collection has become quite large. Any unclaimed items will be given to the poor.

World Day of Prayer
The World Day of Prayer service will be held during Eucharist. Church, Cleveland and Buford, on Fri., March 3, 10 a.m. The service, written this year by women in Burma, will be repeated throughout the world clock throughout the day.
Chairpersons Verna Mikkelsen and Ann Brye emphasize that it is open to women, are invited.
"We are pleased that Corpus Christi Church is the host church this year, as part of our 50th anniversary celebration. We hope all people in the community will show off our newly-renovated worship space and hope many people from our neighboring churches can attend." A coffee hour in the parish center downstairs will follow the hour-long liturgy.

Falcon Heights needs you
The Falcon Heights Parks and Recreation Commission and Human Rights Commission are in need of volunteers to help them as members. Call City Hall, 645-3038, for information on meeting dates, description of duties and an application.

Gulliver's Travels
The Falcon Heights Book Club will discuss Swift's "Gulliver's Travels" Thurs., March 16 at 7 p.m. Meetings are held at Falcon Heights United Church of Christ, 12765 Holton St. For more information, call 646-3851.
Girls’ volleyball and boys’ basketball are just about to begin their season at Murray.

**Naomi Davis**

**St. Anthony Park Elementary**

In our school this month we had an assembly where we honored Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and had several contests. The winners in the poster contest were Rebecca Molstad, Jessica McNeil-Leir, Faith Purvey, Mannie Boyd, Katie Schoenaker, Laverne Byrd, Toby Knapp and Nate Anderson. Jacob Hansen, Anna Clark and Wiley Nobles won in the poetry contest. Georgia Thomas, Andy Dameron, Megan Chang, Barbara Caperton, Nicole Peterson and Colton Damm McFerson won in the composition contest.

**Lindsey Spurr**

J. J. Hill

February was an eventful month and March has much planned also!

On Jan. 25, we had an all-school “P.J. Day.” It was a terrific success! We had many pajama-clad people walking around, luckily not sleeping!

We started interim classes every Wed. for an hour. Students go to different classes such as Debate, Health & Fitness, Print, Print. Printmaking, Drawing What You See and many more.

On Feb. 6, a decision was made about changing the name of from J. J. Hill Gifted/Talented Magnet. The student body decided not to.

On Feb. 10 our concert band and orchestra performed at the St. Paul Radisson for the Minn. Music Teachers’ Association convention.

For Valentine’s Day everyone was encouraged to wear red, white and pink and any Valentine’s costumes.

**Kerstin Beyer**

**Como High School**

Senior Erik Spjall from St. Anthony Park was named Prep Athlete of the Week by the St. Paul Pioneer Press Dispatch on Feb. 15. Center/forward for the Como Park Cougars he set a school record in hockey by scoring 32 goals, and he also has 18 assists, for a total of 50 points, which breaks an all-time single season scoring record.

**John Murray High**

On Feb. 11 Michele Friesen (8th grade), Dan Letnes (8th), Dan Larson (7th) and Karragh Young (8th) participated in Math Counts. They were the representatives for Murray. Together as a team they placed sixth. Individually, Michele Friesen placed ninth and Dan Larson placed tenth.

On March 10 there will be no school because it is an in-service day for teachers. On March 7 there will be testing competency testing for 8th graders and on March 20 there will be math testing. March 31 is the regional science fair. The projects or papers that place first, second or third in the school science fair will participate in that event.

**Falcon Heights School**

Feb 13-18 was Falcon Heights Spirit Week. Mon. was Twin Day. A student and a friend and faculty members, if they wished, were asked to dress alike. Tues. was red, pink and white day, and everyone was asked to wear those colors. On Wed. students were asked to wear something related to sports. Thurs. was the day students dressed in clothes that clashed. Fri. was stuffed animal day.

**Kirstina Halverson**

**Heidi Weitzman**

Douglas Schnitz and Kristina Frazier of Falcon Heights and Matthew Vaccarella of St. Anthony Park were named to the dean’s list at the College of St. Thomas fall semester. Students on the dean’s list earned an “A” average.

**New flag over Murray**

A new flag is flying over Murray Junior High. It is the flag presented to the widow of former custodian Al Rosenberg by the federal government for his Air Force service in World War II. Rosenberg is remembered by Murray alumni as the custodian from 1970-78, when the school was a six-year senior high.

Janitors can be faceless, but not Al, who let people know that he truly cared for them. He seemed to exude love of children and that hard-to-find quality, love of job.

One of Al’s favorite tasks was caring for pool. Early morning care to make sure the team had the best so they could do their best.

On July 6, 1988, Al passed away. He died as he lived, quietly. While at Murray, the first thing Al did when he arrived in the morning was to raise the flag of our country. How appropriate that this flag, one which honors his service to his country, will fly over Murray, a tribute to a man who respected and loved people.

**Terri Zarembinski**

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Speaking Briefly

Library O’Limpicks

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Organ tribute

Frank Steinhauser, organist emeritus of First Baptist Church, St. Paul, will be guest organist at St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church on Sun., March 12. He will play a prelude at 10:30 a.m. and for the service at 10:45. Steinhauser, playing in honor of the church’s centennial, was at St. Anthony Park Methodist in 1945-46 when Hugh Gibbons, Professor John Jaeger, Mrs. J. Clark Rhodes and G. Lloyd Piettie were conductors. He studied piano with (among others) Thomas Lari-more, a longtime Park resi- dent. He has been president of the Twin City Choirmasters and dean of the Twin City chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

Leonard Harkness, long a member at St. Anthony Park United Methodist, will review the activities of Wesley Foun- dation, a college student reli- gious organization sponsored by the Methodist Church and youth groups in general on March 12 as well.

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Theatre from Langford Park &
So. St. Anthony Rec. Center,
3:00-4 p.m.
Flies for children, St. Anthony
Park Library, 4 p.m.

25 Sat.
St. Anthony Park Garden Com-
mittee, 800 Croomwell, 10:30 a.m.

26 Sun.
"Messages of Lent," St. Anthony
Park United Methodist Church,
1:45-3:30 p.m. Sun., thru Mar. 12.

27 Mon.
Energy Park recycling day.
Investment forum, Lauderdale
City Hall, 1015 Walnut St., 8:35-
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28 Tues.
No school, K-6, St. Paul Schools.

29 Tues.
St. Anthony Park Community
Center Picnic, Murray Jr. High,
7:15 p.m. Call 644-5211.

30 Wed.
Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park
United Methodist Church, 10 a.m.
Outbound travel - Penny Fester.

30 Thurs.
Fair Share distribution and regi-
stration for December, St.
Anthony Park United Methodist
Church, 7:45 a.m.

1 Fri.
No school, St. Paul Schools.
3 Mon.
Energy Park recycling day.

4 Fri.
St. Anthony Park Writers' Work-
shop, 2005 Croomwell, 7:30 p.m.
Call 646-8572.

8 Wed.
District 12 recycling day.
Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park
United Methodist Church, 10 a.m.
Oldsmobile travel - Penny Fester.

8 Thurs.
St. Anthony Park Community
Council, 800 Croomwell, 7 p.m.

9 Fri.
Volunteer at mural project.
Falcon Heights City Hall, 9 a.m.

10 Fri.
No school, St. Paul Schools.

13 Mon.
Energy Park recycling day.

15 Wed.
Bookmobile at Seal 18 Rise, 9:30-
10:30 a.m.

16 Thurs.
Ski-Mo Junior Driving Retros-
spect Course, Falcon Heights City
Hall, 9 a.m. March 21. March 22.

17 Fri.
Falcon Heights/Lauderdale Lions
Club, Countrywide Restaurant,
2801 N. Snelling, 6:30 p.m.
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17 Fri.
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18 Sat.
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Obituaries

Emory Barrick

Emory Barrick, a St. Anthony Park resident for 40 years, died on January 14, 1989, at Commonwealth Healthcare Center. He was 82.

Mr. Barrick was a former FBI agent who had been involved in shootouts and investigations against war spies and underworld figures. Born in Meeker County, he graduated from the University of Minnesota in business and then from the St. Paul College of Law. He joined the FBI in 1941, at the beginning of World War II. During the war, he helped question spies from Germany and Japan, then later worked around Army bases in Tennessee, conducting investigations of suspects of security violations, thefts and prostitution.

After the war, Mr. Barrick came to St. Paul, where he worked until his retirement in 1968. His most exciting cases involved a shootout in Minot, North Dakota, and an investigation of hooch "Kid Camp" Blumeneid, a Minneapolis head of a liquor syndicate. Blumeneid was convicted in 1960 on charges of prostitution, after this investigation.

After retiring, Mr. Barrick split his time between his farm near Hutchinson and his home on Doswell Ave. He is survived by his wife, Virginia, his son, William, both of St. Anthony Park; his daughters, Kathleen Born of New Ulm, Marybeth Englund of Arizona, Barbara Fortell of Connecticut, Carolyn Barrick of St. Anthony Park and Patricia Erickson of St. Paul; a brother Lowell of Arizona; and a sister, Maxine Ray, of Wisconsin.

Lillian Landahl

Lillian Landahl, former Lutheran missionary to China, died Jan. 21, 1989, at the age of 86. Most recently she'd been living at Lyonsblommens Care Center but had lived in the St. Anthony Park area regularly when on furlough from her missionary duties.

She was one of seven children of missionary parents, Carl and Alice Landahl, and was born and reared in China. She came to the United States to get her education, graduating from St Olaf College in Northfield, Minn. in 1925 with a teaching degree. She returned to China in 1931 as a teacher at a school at Kuakungshan Mountain in Hunan Province, known as the school on Rooster Mountain. Lillian Landahl is said to have flossed China in 1939 because of the Japanese invasion. She returned to Minnesota and taught high school in Cyrus. She returned to mainland China in 1946, but again fled, this time to Hong Kong after the communist revolution in the 1950s. In Hong Kong, she worked as a librarian at a Lutheran seminary until she retired in 1973 and moved to St. Paul.

She is survived by three sisters and a brother.

Signe Waite

Signe Waite, age 75, died of cancer Jan. 21, 1989. She had lived in south St. Anthony Park and most recently had been living in north St. Anthony Park as a Share-A-Home companion for an elderly resident in need of companionship and assistance. She passed her licensed practical nurse exam at TVI last fall and was proud that she'd placed second in the class even though she was the oldest student. Said a neighborhood friend, "She was always taking care of someone."

She is survived by her five children, Vivian, Darlene, Janis, Tom and Dennis and by five grandchildren.

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