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U of M busway takes next turn

By Kristin Copa

Construction forges ahead smoothly on Phase Two of the University of Minnesota's busway between the Minneapolis and St. Paul campuses.

Phase Two will extend the existing busway, which now ends on Energy Park Drive, through St. Anthony Park and the State Fairgrounds on its way to the St. Paul campus. The work is scheduled to be complete in time for the Minnesota State Fair in 1993, when the busway and its parking facilities could be used by fairgoers, Roger Huss, manager of University Transit Services, said.

The current route between the two campuses takes 16 minutes, but that time should be cut when the entire route is complete. Service begins at 7:05 a.m. and continues at varying intervals throughout the day until the last bus leaves its lot at 11:05 p.m. Morning routes leave every 5–10 minutes, afternoon routes every 10–20 minutes and in the evenings the buses leave every 20 minutes.

The path of the transitway will bridge Raymond Avenue south of the train tracks, later crossing those tracks and Como Avenue at the west end of the Fairgrounds. The roadway will run along the fence between the State Fair Midway and Commonwealth Terrace and end just west of the Commonwealth gate to the Fairgrounds.

Some effects of the new route will be felt by University bus riders as soon as fall quarter, Huss said. Bus service will be cut entirely on the University Avenue route.

"There's enough frequency there by MTC buses that departments can work out passes for their staff that are along that route and the public has that, too," he said. Raymond Avenue service will be "basically eliminated" when the busway is complete, he said. Buses now travel from Energy Park Drive along Raymond Avenue to the St. Paul campus.

Huss said that because of high demand, service from the Como park-and-ride lot and student housing at

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New Job Corps leader believes in consistent discipline

By Amy Causton

The Hubert H. Humphrey
Job Corps Center has found
new leadership now that
Greg Redmon has taken over
the position of center director
formerly held by Mike Ryan,
who resigned in March.
Redmon, formerly deputy
director of a Job Corps Center
in Dennison, Iowa, began as
director of the Humphrey
Center in early July.

He took over from Joe Duda, national director of Job Corps Operations for the Vinnell Corporation, which has a contract with the Department of Labor to run the Job Corps Center. Duda had come in as acting director when Ryan resigned.

Ryan departed under controversy after incidents involving students on the Job Corps campus sparked neighborhood complaints. There are approximately 300 students at the center, which provides vocational training for underprivileged

youths. Reports of drug use and sexual assault between students as well as a couple of shooting incidents caused a great deal of concern in the surrounding community. Many held Ryan responsible, arguing that the former director was not using stringent enough disciplinary measures and that he refrained from expelling students in order to maintain high retention rates.

As a result of these problems, Redmon has made discipline a top priority. At the incoming students' orientation, rules and disciplinary procedures are stressed. If a student commits a minor rule infraction (such as skipping classes), the student is put on probation contract, and if he or she violates the contract, the student will be expelled. Major infractions are automatic grounds for expulsion. The disciplinary code "is being enforced a lot more stringently," Redmon says.

In addition, the center will be

Celebrating 75 years of reading



Photos by Truman Olson

St. Anthony Park Branch Library celebrated 75 years of service with a party on the library lawn on July 25. Columnist David Morris spoke of the historical importance of public libraries in America. Andrew Carnegie listened quietly. So did neighbors and friends who sat on the lawn to enjoy one of the few July days without rain, the music of the Lazy River Jazz Band and ice cream cones.

The library lawn was graced with two 1917 autos. This young ice cream eater found the running board to be an ideal spot for a treat.





hiring an off-duty police officer to help on weekends.

Redmon and Duda have also taken steps to improve community relations. They have set up voice mail for people to air their concerns and complaints and have started a newsletter to keep neighbors abreast of center activities. In addition, they are holding monthly meetings with the Job Corps Neighborhood Advisory Committee and the Department of Labor.

Redmon's work directing the center is overseen by the Department of Labor, which monitors several indicators of the program's success, such as GED attainment, average length of stay, job placement, learning gains in reading and math, and weekly termination rate.

The termination rate was a source of some controversy

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Primary elections Sept. 15

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Senate 54: Falcon Heights and Lauderdale

IR—Bob Cardinal, Joanne Cushman, Pat Igo DFL—John Marty Senate 66: St. Anthony Park and Como Park

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DFL—Ellen Anderson, Tom Collins and Peter Stumpf
IR—no candidates have filed

(Gary Carlson has filed as an Independent, but his name will not appear on the primary ballot.)

Legislative candidates for November election:

House 54A:

IR—Sheldon Christenson DFL—Mary Jo McGuire

House 66B:

DFL—Alice Hausman IR—John Krenik

Polls are open 7 a.m.-8 p.m., Tues., Sept. 15.

Polling places in the *Bugle* area: Falcon Heights City Hall, Falcon Heights United Church of Christ, Lauderdale City Hall, Luther Northwestern Seminary Student Center, St. Anthony Park Elementary School, Holy Childhood Church, Lyngblomsten Healthcare Center, Seal Hi-Rise.

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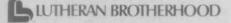
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Growing pains on Midway Parkway

By Natalie Zett

In the June 1992 issue, the Bugle featured an article by Joel Schurke discussing the ongoing conflict between Midway Parkway neighbors and Lyngblomsten Home, a large senior care facility. The controversy centers around Lyngblomsten's desire to demolish its original nursing home at the intersection between Midway Parkway and Pascal Avenue and construct a seven-story (105-unit) assisted living apartment for seniors.

While few people object to supporting good senior housing, the neighbors are beginning to feel claustrophobic about this expansion. How much more can the neighborhood bear? It's not just the expansion, after all, but also that the facility will need more parking to accommodate staff, residents and visitors. The quandary is that even now parking is inadequate.

Besides Lyngblomsten, parking is also a problem for the Sholom Home, another large senior facility on

Midway Parkway. In addition to these facilities, also vying for precious parking space are the Como Zoo and the State Fairgrounds.

As a result of this growth, Paula Maccabee, District 4 councilmember, contends that the neighborhood is simply "overwhelmed by all the success." What is viewed as "success" by some is certainly perceived differently by many neighborhood residents. To them, this tremendous development in a relatively small space is robbing them of their quality of life.

Since the June article, the dissension has not settled down, perhaps testified by the fact that the majority of people interviewed for this article either did not wish to comment or preferred to comment anonymously.

One neighborhood representative stated that "The neighbors feel pushed around by Lyngblomsten. Instead of having a quiet neighborhood where they can raise their families and retire, they are going to be subjected to more traffic congestion, noise from construction.

Some believe that the new building that Lyngblomsten builds will detract from the esthetics of the Parkway." She continued: "Representatives from Lyngblomsten need to communicate with the neighbors about their intentions. We have heard all sort of rumors. For example, that Lyngblomsten has applied for a waiver to the city in order to carry out their expansion plans. We're concerned about what they are going to do."

What about the Sholom Home? Unlike Lyngblomsten, it is not planning any building expansion. Rather, like everyone else on Midway Parkway, it is trying to find ways to cope with the parking problem. According to Sholom Home Administrator, Michael Klein, "We've discussed a variety of alternatives, but haven't made any decisions yet."

Paula Maccabee maintains that, "Right now, people are reacting. It's very emotional. They will all have to decide to reach some sort of middle ground, a compromise." According to Maccabee, as the facilities grow it could be beneficial to all concerned. However, as they plan their growth they need to keep in mind that they are located in a neighborhood and work with neighborhood representatives on finding that middle ground.

MTC challenged to improve local service

Sometimes being good isn't enough. At least that's what the St. Anthony Park Community Council told the Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC) earlier this year. Community council members noted that MTC service may need to be changed in order to meet changing needs of a city neighborhood. The community council then challenged MTC chief administrator, Mike Christenson (also a Park resident), to work with them to examine transit in St. Anthony Park.

Sparked by the council's enthusiasm and challenged by its members' willingness to roll up their sleeves and work, the MTC assigned staff to work with neighborhood and business representatives to improve public transit. Said Christenson, "We see in this project the seeds of a neighborhood transit model that can make a difference for the Park and for other

communities as well."

Michael Russelle and Jack Sheldon, co-chairpersons of the task force on public transportation, have carefully included all stakeholders in the meetings. The active committee includes residents, businesses like First Bank St. Paul, Dayton's, Bandana Square, business associations like University UNITED (a coalition of neighborhood and business groups along University Ave.), the St. Anthony Park Association and the Midway Civic and Commerce Association. Representatives from the City of St. Paul Department of Planning and Economic Development, the Regional Transit Board (RTB) and the MTC also participate.

The group plans to review the results of several recent transportation surveys and incorporate grass roots ideas into any suggested changes. According to Sheldon, the neighborhood finally has an

opportunity to connect directly with the MTC and RTB and provide input about the buses that serve them.

In the meantime, the group has already put several ideas into action which will get route information posted in private bus shelters, increase the number of MTC convenience fare outlets in the community and change the present 4U route to better serve the businesses along Energy Park Drive.

Anyone interested in working with the task force to achieve improved public transit for the St. Anthony Park, West Midway and Energy Park Drive areas can contact Michele Levenson, marketing specialist for the MTC (349-7533), Michael Russelle (646-3620, evenings) or Jack Sheldon (646-0657).

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Two area schools get new principals

By Kathy Malchow and Mary Mergenthal

Two area schools, St. Anthony Park Elementary and Como Park High School, will open this fall headed by new principals.



Photo by Truman Olson Como Park principal, Patricia McHugh

Patricia McHugh comes to Como Park with more than 15 years' experience in the

St. Paul School System. Her immediate past job was at Johnson High School, where she was assistant principal for three years. She has also been at St. Paul Central, the Open School and at Como when it was a junior high. Her background is as an English teacher.

McHugh says she realizes she has "big shoes to fill" as Joan Sorenson's successor, but says she hopes to continue programs Sorenson advocated. (Sorenson was tapped to be principal of the new Expo Middle School in the Midway area.)

"I'm very happy to be at Como," she said. "I've been impressed by the quality of caring the teachers have for the students here." McHugh encourages community residents, parents and students to visit the school and says volunteers from the community are always welcome.

One of her goals is to maintain a "caring, humane environment in which the kids take pride and ownership in their school."



St. Anthony Park principal, **Tom Foster**

Tom Foster says it feels like "coming home" to be assigned to St. Anthony Park Elementary School. He taught there about 16 years ago as a 3rd and 4th grade team leader. But before that, when he was in school himself, he attended Guttersen School and Murray Junior/Senior High School. Foster used to be a hockey coach at Langford Park and his brother, Bill Kroona,

After teaching at St. Anthony Park, Foster was a math coordinator for St. Paul Schools and then principal of Ames, Webster Magnet and Hayden Heights Elementary Schools.

He replaces Hope Lea, who retired last spring. Foster is particularly glad to be here, because he chose this school. "It's unprecedented," he said. "No superintendent until Curman Gaines has allowed principals to vie for school placement. When I heard this one would be open, I knew it was where I'd love to be. Seven others wanted to come here, too. Lucky for me, I was the one selected.'

Foster remembers this school as one with high parent involvement and community participation. He's counting on that still being the case and plans to do what he can to encourage

Foster lives in Como Park. His daughter Ann is a student at Como Park High School; another daughter Emily attends Murray. Two older children, who also attended St. Paul Public Schools, now live in Chicago.

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29th and Como Ave. in S.E. Minneapolis will not be cut entirely, but fewer buses will run between the lot and both campuses.

"We're still taking a look at Como Avenue service and trying to maintain at least 30 minute service from the Como lot to the St. Paul campus," Huss said. He said service from the lot to the Minneapolis campus would also be cut, but not by as much.

Some people are happy about the changes. St. Anthony Park resident Lucy Olson, who originally voiced concerns about the noise and landscaping accompanying the busway, which runs by her house, has been on the whole pleased with the operation so far.

The buses don't bother us a bit," she said, though they pass her house all day. 'It keeps the buses off Raymond and it's a lot safer."

Olson thought the landscaping also worked well, for awhile. "I think it's going to be beautiful," she said. She enjoyed the trees and shrubs that were put in but said the grass put in to hold up the

embankment is now growing so fast it covers up the trees.

Watching for unauthorized vehicles using the busway from the start, Olson said lately she has seen just buses. Bus drivers, on the other hand, are not happy about the number of bicycles and rollerbladers on the narrow busway, Huss said.

Buses travel 30 mph around intersections and reach 40 mph on the straightaway. Although bicycles are not prohibited along the route, Huss said they are not advertising for increased use. The bus drivers' concerns were recorded on a survey which will be turned over to the University Department of Health and Safety to examine speed limits and policies.

There have been a couple more accidents since the one earlier this year when a worker at a plant in the area was hit by a bus after making a "quick stop" at an intersection, Huss said. He said in all accidents the driver of the private vehicles were found at fault for making similar quick stops at intersections crossing the busway—where buses have the right-of-way.

Long-term status of Como post office still in question

When the post office makes decisions, they aren't made close to home. In fact, they're often made in Washington. Such is the case with current and possible future changes in the status of the Como Station of the St. Paul Post

When changes for the sorting of local mail and the routing of mail carriers were announced this spring, the cutting of Saturday services and the unavailability of mail boxes that day were not anticipated, St. Paul area manager, Michael Sanchelli, insists.

Now, Sanchelli says that "everything is on hold for 90 days." In St. Anthony Park, 'everything" includes improvements to the present post office, if it is retained. plus decisions about finding a smaller space in the area.

The post office leases its building (the lease extends to 1995). Sanchelli indicated that he has received inquiries about the availability of the Como space, should the post office move to a smaller facility.

Meanwhile, Sanchelli says there will be no action on the local front until new U.S. Postmaster Marvin Runyon has "his corporate structure in place."

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Editorial

Write a letter while you can

In some ways that headline is misleading, of course. But the words do not completely hide the truth. The future of the Como Station Post Office is in question.

The place where people from many *Bugle* neighborhoods have come for stamps and friendly service is not likely to stay in the big building on Como forever, now that postal trucks are no longer parked there and mail sorting is no longer done at the location. But increasingly, with the national Postal Service cutting corners and costs (without necessarily, it seems, improving service) the viability of small neighborhood stations like Como is in question.

While the St. Paul Post Office claims to be seeking a smaller venue in the Como Avenue area, any such search is on hold, at best, while the entire postal world waits for U.S. Postmaster Marvin Runyon to decide whether or not people on Ludlow Ave. can pick up packages nearby...or on Saturdays...or whether or not a business in Como Park can drop off a large mailing without driving downtown or to Roseville.

So the imperative command in the headline remains. Write a letter NOW to George A. Andres, director of marketing for the St. Paul Post Office, St. Paul, MN 55101 or pick up a postal comment form at the post office and mail it in, postpaid.

Tell the post office how important your local community post office is to you. Describe your needs for Saturday service. Express your concerns about the cut in postal box services (since there now are no Saturday lobby hours). Write it now; mail it immediately. Make sure the downtown post office and eventually even Postmaster Runyon know what you think.

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Letters

A bike lane after all

A recent article in the Park Bugle by Kathy Malchow reported on the Cleveland Avenue reconstruction from Larpenteur Ave. to County Rd. B in Roseville. It was specifically mentioned that a bicycle lane would not be included in the plans.

Because the University of Minnesota owns the property along both sides of Cleveland Avenue there is no possibility of acquiring additional roadway. Instead, the county is constructing a 3-lane roadway, which includes a turning lane in the center lane. In addition to the three lanes there will be five

feet on each side of the roadway next to the driving lane. This space will be stripped for bicycles and will provide a safer space for bicycling. This design will be similar to both Lexington and Hamline Avenues where there are three lanes.

Neil Franey

President, St. Paul & Ramsey County Friends of the Parks and Trails

Glad to have Boomerangs

I'm very happy that the Boomerang resale shop has come to our area. The clothes are just right for my two children (ages 4 and 8). This gives me an opportunity to recycle their outgrown wardrobes. As we become more aware of saving our earth as a family, "making do" and "using up" are some of our small contributions to simplifying life and being happy with less.

Sandra Miller

New Bugle editor selected

Winton Pitcoff has been selected by Park Press Inc., the board of directors of the *Park Bugle*, to replace Mary Mergenthal as editor. He will begin his duties on Oct. 1.

Currently, Mergenthal and Kathy Malchow share the editor position. On Oct. 1, when Pitcoff takes over as editor, Malchow will move to fill the newly-created position of production coordinator.

Winton Pitcoff comes to the *Bugle* with a commitment to community journalism. A graduate of Macalester College, he has a bachelor's degree in law and society with a concentration in journalism. His experience includes working as a freelance journalist for *The Alley, The Surveyor* and the *Longfellow Messenger* in Minneapolis and the *Midway/Como Monitor* in St. Paul, a staff writer and advertising manager for *Southside Pride* in Minneapolis; and a newswriter and news anchor for KFAI radio. A resident of Minneapolis, he also serves on the board of directors of the Neighborhood and Community Press Association.

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Commentary

HomeWords

Back To School

By Warren Hanson

didn't do too good in school. (That sentence stands as evidence of its own veracity.)

So I don't quite understand my son. This past summer he read a book. Voluntarily! No book report, no assignment, no quiz. He read it because he wanted to. He certainly didn't inherit that from me.

The book that my son read of his own free will was Charles Dickens' A Tale of Two Cities. I can remember that the only way my high school English teacher got me to read that book was under threat of the guillotine. But later, as an adult, I had rather enjoyed the story when I experienced it again — on TV. When my son was finished with the book I told him that I thought I had videotaped the television production and that he might like to watch it while the book was still fresh in his mind.

He reported to me the next day that he had found the tape labeled *A Tale of Two Cities*. But we had taped over it. "It's okay though, Dad. Now it's *The Simpsons!*" So, some of my genes are present after all.

My son had been reading *A Tale of Two Cities* while we were on our family vacation. He happened to be sitting next to a stranger on the airplane. An adult. A businessman. At one point he turned and noticed what my son was reading. The man gave the boy a knowing wink and said, "You don't really have to finish that, you know. All you need to know is that first paragraph." Words of wisdom, passed along from one generation to another. It makes me proud.

I can remember feeling the same way one day late last spring. There had been a strong wind the night before, so there were a lot of small branches littering the neighborhood. As I was driving along College Park, I could see a husband and wife in their yard up ahead. They each picked up an armload of sticks that had fallen from their own trees. And as I watched, they blithely walked across the street and dropped their bundles of sticks onto the grass of College Park.

(Gee, Warren, that's an interesting story. And it makes me kind of mad. But weren't you telling us about your son and his book and your summer vacation? Did you lose your train of thought, or what?)

No, no, gentle reader, I have not lost my train of thought. The story of the videotape and the story of the businessman and the story of dumping sticks in the park are all about the same thing: school.

The beginning of the school year still holds a certain excitement for me, even though I've been away from classrooms for — well — longer than you need to know. While autumn is a time of endings in nature, it is a time of new beginnings for students. New clothes. New classes. New teachers. That lasts about three weeks. After that, school is yucky, right?

Well, you and I are going to change all that. Well, some of it, anyway.

Several times over the past few years I have consented to giving little presentations to students at the local schools. (I tell you this to show that I am

a better person than you are.) I draw pictures for a living, and I work for myself, so I have some degree of flexibility in my schedule. Thus when my daughter's teacher asked if I would come down to school sometime and talk about what I do, I said okay.

I was a little nervous about it. The teacher wanted me to fill an entire period, about 50 minutes. What could I possibly have to say to a classroom full of antsy kids that would keep their attention for that long? I went through my storage closet and pulled out some old ads and billboards that I had designed, and off I went.

It's humbling to stand in front of a roomful of kids and realize that you are scared. But there I was, so I had to make the best of it. And do you know what happened? Two things: the time ran out before I was done; and I loved it. Surprised? You bet! Here I had been afraid that I wouldn't be able to fill fifteen minutes, but I ended up disappointed that the time ran out before I was through. I had actually been having a good time.

And I think the kids had a good time, too. They listened very well. They asked a lot of questions. Not dumb questions either. Good questions. Insightful questions. (Better questions than I have been asked by some adults.) They were actually interested in what I had to say. And in the end I think they actually learned something. Not about the French Revolution, or the periodic table or the formula for the circumference of a circle. But I think they learned something real and valuable, even if it didn't come out of a text book.

After that first time, I was asked back. Other teachers wanted me to come. And so I have done my little song and dance about a dozen times over the last few years. And I have come to look forward to being asked. (Oh boy, will the phone start ringing now!)

So there it is, proof that I am a better person than you. But by the time you finish reading this, that will have changed. You will have become a better person too. Because I am asking you to do what I have done. Get involved in your neighborhood school.

Oh, I know. Kids don't want to hear about what you do for a living, right? Well, I think you're wrong. I think that kids would be interested in what you do (unless you sell life insurance or something). And if it's not your job, maybe it's your hobby, or your family tree, or your record collection. The point is that you have something to teach, and you have a responsibility to teach it.

But isn't that what we have teachers for? And schools and books and principals and all that? Okay, who can guess what my answer is? Raise your hands.

That's right! The story of the storm-strewn branches. How did you feel about the people who gathered the twigs from their own yard and dumped them in the public park? That story was true, but it also serves as a reminder that the debris from our current educational deficit falls on all of us. It affects us all, whether we have children in the school system or not. And so it is our responsibility to do what we can to clean up the mess.

So it's the beginning of a new school year. And maybe it's time for ALL of us to go back to school. Our teachers need our help. Call them up. Volunteer. No, you don't have to give a speech. You don't have to share the joy you get from studying actuarial tables. Maybe you can just loan a teacher your coin collection. Or help put up bulletin board materials.

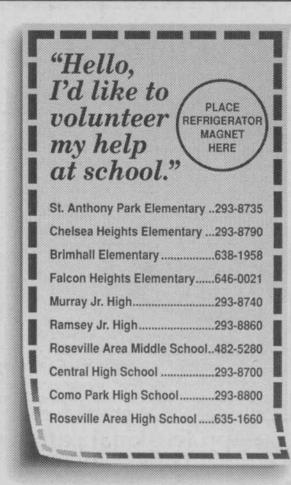


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Or correct spelling tests. You don't have to take time off from work, although any decent boss with a modicum of wisdom and foresight would encourage you to. And you certainly don't have to have schoolaged children. Seniors and singles have just as much to give, and just as much responsibility, too.

We have a responsibility to pass on to the kids something better than what that businessman on the airplane tried to pass on to my son. We need to show kids that there is joy in learning, even if it's solely for learning's sake. We need to demonstrate that it is fun to know stuff.

And in the process we may even show them that what they learn from their textbooks really might come in handy some day. At one of my most recent classroom presentations I was asked what class in school was the most helpful to me in my job. I thought for a minute, then answered truthfully (can you guess?), "Math." The kids were surprised. But I'm an artist. I draw lots of different shapes. So I have to know how to figure out the circumference of a circle almost every day!

I'm going to help you do this, to make it as easy as possible. Along with this article I am including a list of some of the public schools in this area. I want you to cut it out and stick it on your refrigerator with a magnet. That way, if you're anything like me, you'll see it real often. It tells you what to say when you call to volunteer.

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Two new pastors begin service in St. Anthony Park

By Vickie Gilmer

It may seem odd to some that a former forester and a former urban planner have both become clerics, but the history of the church in St. Anthony Park is rich and varied. With these two new

clergymen relocating here this summer, that tradition carries on.

Pastor Paul Ofstedal moved to the Park from Williston, N.D., in July and is heading up the ministry at St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church. And at St. Anthony

Park United Church of Christ, Mark Kennedy, relocating from Connecticut, has taken a position as associate minister.

Ofstedal grew up with the influence of his father, who was also a pastor. "When I was about thirteen years old, one day he said to me, 'What do you think you're going to be when you grow up?' And I said well, maybe an architect, or maybe a forester, and I think I said then, maybe a pastor. And he said, 'Well, just make sure that if you ever become a pastor it's for a better reason that the fact that I am one." Ofstedal said this made him feel he was "off the hook," and didn't have to follow his father's footsteps.

He added: "You have to feel that God is calling you. Well, I tested that out over the years. I tried a lot of things and I finally sorted it out and concluded that 'I think I'm supposed to be a pastor.' And you know, it's hard to describe how that really happens. It's something that's kind of mystical," he said.

Between working in the mountains in Idaho and pulling a stint in a road construction crew, Ofstedal finally headed for Luther Seminary in St. Anthony Park (now Luther Northwestern), and was ordained

But it wasn't his tie to the local Lutheran Church that brought him here. "I worked in a number of

education ministry at St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ. other churches, and I never on "an emphasis that every did come to this church. member is a minister, and [I want to] help them Kind of odd, isn't it?' Ofstedal says. "When I was discover their ministries, being interviewed here, one not only in their church life, but in daily life-to help of the people said, 'Well, what was your experience them sense that God wants them to see every place with [this church] when you

they enter as a place for

that I hope to share."

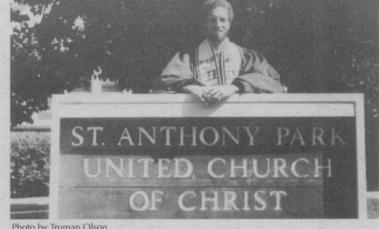
ministry. That's really going

to be a value and emphasis

Perhaps the biggest change Ofstedal will face is that he is the only pastor at the church. He has previously had a "team" of pastors he worked with at other churches. "It was fun to have that kind of team. I'll just have to develop a different way of teaming up here with others who will be peers, and even mentors," he said. "My concept is that this is their [the parish's] church, and that I will give leadership to it. And I want to lift them up so that they know theye are leaders too. And we will make decisions together. I am not an autocrat." Ofstedal added that the parish is unique in that many people have a history of employment with the church, ranging from missionaries, to lay ministry, to academicians from the seminary. He looks forward to tapping into this resource.

Ofstedal and his wife have settled in the Park (the move was "wild" he says), but added he feels very comfortable with the area, is grateful for the help of some parishioners, and is glad that three of his four children live in the Twin Cities area.

Ofstedal will be installed by Saint Paul Area Synod Bishop Lowell Erdahl on Sun., Sept. 27, at both services (8:45 and 11 a.m.).



were a student?' And I had

the building. So, I think God

has a great sense of humor."

But Ofstedal's extensive

work in ministry (this is his

fifth parish), his work at the

seminary with youth and

lowa, made him the right

candidate. Preparing for

his first sermon on Sun.,

Aug. 9, Ofstedal said he

apprehensive. It's going to

building, new people, new

sound system, new word

processor, everything is

new. A lot of new names

While his new parish

consists of about 950 people

(his old parish in Williston

had more than twice that

amount), at St. Anthony

Park he has a staff that

helps run much of the

education and youth and

choir activities. This allows

Ofstedal more time to focus

and faces."

was "excited-a little

be very different: new

choirs, and his experience

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Pastor Mark Kennedy is focusing chiefly on youth and



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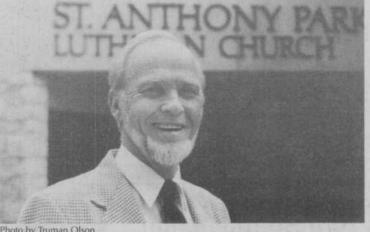
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Mark Kennedy may not have years of experience behind him like Ofstedal (he's only 29), but his varied background in political science studies, urban planning, community organizing and ministry have all shaped his outlook and approach.

Kennedy shares his ministerial duties with senior minister Patrick Green. "We both share all aspects of ministry in the congregation, which really comes out to be worship, pastoral care, outreach and education. And of those Pat is probably more focused on the worship and I'm more focused on the Christian education.'

After graduating from Andover Newton Theological School in Newton, Mass., Kennedy said he spent a full year in a pastoral search. "Actually,

the search is an interesting process because it really involves a proper match between me and the gifts that I bring to ministry and the congregation," says Kennedy. "I was focused on the parish, I was willing to go anywhere in the northern tier of states. I was looking for an urban congregation and a university community. if I had my ideal. That's where I've ended up, although I think this feels more like a small town, which I think is the right place for me."

Kennedy's goals for his congregation are long-term, with a lot of social emphasis. "I've always felt that churches have a unique opportunity to bring together people who don't otherwise come together in our society. This is one place where older people and younger people mix

Lauderdale Park to be revamped

By Corinna Nelson

Softball, hockey, and tennis players, as well as playground denizens, may see a dramatically improved Lauderdale City Park as soon as 1994 if Cindy Wheeler's project proceeds as planned.

Wheeler, a Lauderdale council member, coordinates the park improvement project-combining community initiative, possible grant monies and her experience in recreation planning gained as a field operations manager in the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources' Trails and Waterways division.

Using an enlarged aerial photo, Wheeler began developing ideas for the park (located at Fulham St. and Roselawn Ave. across from the University of Minnesota golf course), including enlarging the present softball diamond to regulation size; reorienting the diamond to minimize direct sun in players' eyes; upgrading the picnic shelter; building year-round restrooms and warming house; upgrading the tennis courts; and improving parking and drainage. The whole park, in short, is being considered for upgrading or alteration except for the small forest in its northwest corner.

Lauderdale currently has \$1500 in donations from the Lions club for playground equipment, and has a list of prospective volunteers whom Wheeler hopes to recruit for involvement in a Park and Recreation Committee The committee will generate ideas for park development to culminate in a proposal for a LAWCON grant by Sept. 1,

These federal grants, administered through the Minnesota Department of Trade and Economic Development, are targeted for city park improvements.

Lauderdale used one in the mid-1970s to buy the present park land from Independent School District 623. The LAWCON grant requires cities to match funds. But these matching "funds" may be in cash or in kind, so donations of voluntary labor and materials may be used to defray city costs. The Park and Recreation Committee will also generate potential sources of matching funds.

Wheeler is aware that streets (and other infrastructure) in Lauderdale also need attention, but says that "as a community, if we pull together, we can probably do it fairly inexpensively." Lauderdale doesn't know how much it can spend on the park. Estimates will depend in part on engineering costs, including regrading and cut and fill.

To volunteer for the Park and Recreation Committee, contact the City of Lauderdale at 631-0300.

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consistently and people from various ethnic and racial backgrounds can come together, although unfortunately, we're fairly segregated still, even in churches." Kennedy says he feels that the church offers the potential to break down barriers that commonly separate people in society and that it is the church's responsibility to make people aware of the necessity of breaking down those walls. "I saw the church had the potential to run against the grain, and show a different way of living together."

Kennedy envisions his goal in three parts: first, he is working on a confirmation curriculum for junior high students to help younger people feel they are part of the worshiping community; he wants to help "people connect their faith as they experience it in the community here, with their life outside of these walls;" and lastly, enabling people to discover their latent abilities and talents that can be used both inside and outside of the church.

Kennedy has a strong background in social justice and peace work. After finishing his undergraduate degree in political science at Drew University in New Jersey, he entered a masters program in urban planning at the University of Illinois-Urbana. He then worked part-time as a pastoral intern and also at the Champaign (Illinois) Planning Department. In between this and his entrance into theological school, Kennedy worked with youth programs, was an administrator for Days in the Arts Program (sponsored by the Boston Symphony), and helped develop a long-term plan that

addressed the needs of the homeless.

"One of the challenging aspects of moving into a new church, and especially the first one out of seminary, is that I have so many irons in the fire, so to speak, in the congregation, [I'm] just getting my feet on the ground and beginning to work in the areas where I'm

particularly responsible."

Kennedy will be officially installed as associate minister on Sun., Sept. 20 at 2 p.m. Following the installation participants can enjoy one of Kennedy's favorite pastimes-folk dancing, with performances by local musicians Eric Sessions and Greg Dale.

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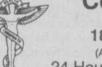
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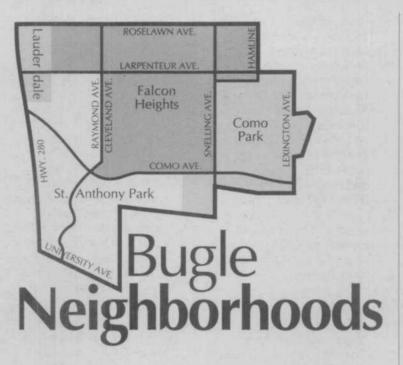
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Compline at seminary

The ancient monastic prayer service of compline will be offered every Sunday evening at Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary beginning Sept. 13 at 9 p.m. The service will be held in the Chapel of the Incarnation, Campus Center, Hendon at Fulham.

Compline is a prayer service for the close of the day. Along with congregational participation, the service will feature a newly-formed Gregorian chant choir.

Daily chapel services, also open to the public, are held Monday through Friday at 10 a.m., also in the Chapel of the Incarnation.

Community Ed information

Registration for fall Community Education classes will be accepted Sept. 8-18. (Refer to the Community Ed brochure for procedures.)

St. Anthony/Merriam Park Community Education has arranged a tour to Taylors Falls for a fall colors cruise and lunch on Wed., Sept. 30. Call 297-8738 to register.

The next meeting of the St. Anthony/Merriam Park Community Education Advisory Council will be Mon., Sept. 14, 7 p.m., at St. Anthony Park Elementary School, 2180 Knapp St. Those interested or concerned about the programs being offered in this area are welcome and encouraged to attend

Language and citizenship classes

Registration for the fall session of English as a Second Language and Citizenship will be accepted in person at the International Institute of Minnesota, 1694 Como Ave., on Sept. 15 & 17 from 7-9 p.m. These evening classes meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7-9 p.m. for 12 weeks starting the week of Sept. 21.

These pre-citizenship classes prepare applicants for their naturalization examinations. Topics include the Constitution, history and government of the U.S.

Registration for the September/October session of Intensive English as a Second Language classes will be accepted in person at the Institute on Sept. 9 & 16 from 9-11 a.m., or by appointment thereafter.

Classes meet every day from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., starting Sept. 23. Intensive classes are intended for adults who need to improve their language skills. All classes include instruction in listening, speaking, reading, writing and grammar.

Evening classes in Finnish, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish will be offered at the International Institute starting the week of Sept. 21 and continuing for 15 weeks. Beginning, intermediate and advanced levels will be available. Registrations will be accepted through Sept. 14 or until classes are filled.

For more information on any of these programs, call 647-0191.

Lutheran Church in Japan's anniversary celebrated

Luther Northwestern Seminary will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Japan Evangelical Lutheran Church with a day of special events Sept. 10. The event begins with a chapel service at 10 a.m. and continues throughout the day with historic videos and movies, lectures, a panel discussion and a 6:30 p.m. banquet.

The celebration recalls the first Lutheran missionaries to Japan in 1892. During the 1960s as many as 300 Lutheran missionaries were working in Japan. Today, the Japan Evangelical Lutheran Church has 21,000 members.

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For youth on Friday nights

Beginning Fri., Sept. 11, Youth Activity Night begins its second year at St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 2200 Hillside at Como. All youth in grades 7-12 are welcome to participate from 7-10:45 p.m. every Friday evening.

French Alliance anniversary

The French Alliance of the Twin Cities (Alliance Française) invites the public to an open house on Sun., Sept. 27, noon-4 p.m., to celebrate its tenth anniversary at Baker Court, 821 Raymond Ave. The event will be part of the second annual Midtown Arts Open, a celebration of art and culture at Raymond and University Avenues. French classes, demonstrations, French videos and music will be presented.

Fall classes begin the week of Sept. 21 and are scheduled for day, evening and Saturday morning hours. Children's classes are held from 9-noon on Saturdays.

The Alliance Française is a nonprofit organization that encourages the study of French language and culture. It is supported in part by the French Foreign Ministry. For more information, call 644-5769.

TRAM riders

Harriet Lerman, age 9, and her father, Bill, rode a tandem bicycle in The Ride Across Minnesota (TRAM), July 26-31. This was Harriet's first TRAM, and she managed to raise the needed \$500 in pledges for the Multiple Sclerosis Society. Bill, who has ridden two previous TRAMs, advises that this trip

may not be as tough as the 2-day MS150 to Duluth, since TRAM riders averaged only about 50 miles per day across the southern Minnesota

Harriet will be in the fourth grade this fall at St. Anthony Park Elementary School. She says she wants to try TRAM again next year.

Storytimes

There will be storytimes for 3, 4 and 5 year olds on Friday mornings at 10:30 from Sept. 11-Oct. 9 at St. Anthony Park Branch Library, 2245 Como Ave. Register at the library or call 292-6635.

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New traffic light

St. Anthony Park businesses and residents in the Como Avenue/Highway 280 area have succeeded in getting a traffic light installed at the intersection of Como and Fustis

St. Anthony Park
Community Council and
Group Health, Inc. announce
the public celebration of this
victory on Thurs., Sept. 10, at
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"We hope the traffic light will increase safety for drivers and for pedestrians at this busy intersection," said City Councilmember Paula Maccabee.

Corpus Christi to honor former principal

Sister Josine Winter will be honored at a celebration at the new Corpus Christi Catholic Church, 2131 North Fairview at Co. Rd. B, on Sun., Sept. 13. Mass will be said at 10:30 a.m. followed by a reception from 11:30 a.m.-noon.

Sister Josine is celebrating the Golden Jubilee of her profession as a School Sister of Notre Dame. She has served at many schools during her 50 years as a nun and was the principal at Corpus Christi School for 12 years, from September 1977 until the school closed in June 1990.

All former students and their parents are invited. For more information, call the parish-office at 639-8888.

For parents of kids with epilepsy

A special back-to-school meeting for parents of children with epilepsy will be held Mon., Sept. 14, at the South St. Anthony Park Recreation Center conference room, 890 Cromwell (at Territorial Road), 7–9 p.m.

Sheila Merzer, a licensed psychologist who specializes in services for children with disabilities, will be one of the presenters. Barb Sorum, a parent advocate/trainer at PACER Center, Inc., will discuss changes in special education rules which went into effect this year (especially those rules affecting learning disabilities and other health impairments).

For more information or to indicate that you will attend, call Jenna at the Epilepsy Foundation of Minnesota, 646-8675.

FALCON HEIGHTS

College graduate

Kent York received an M.B.A. degree in marketing from the University of St. Thomas in May.

Gibbs Farm programs

A "Family Reunion Workshop" will be offered at Gibbs Farm Museum on Sat., Sept. 12, 10 a.m.—noon. The workshop will be conducted by Audrey Weldon Johnson in the museum's one-room country schoolhouse.

Through trial and error, she has found what works—and what doesn't work—in planning family reunions, and will share this with participants. Cost is \$15 and each participant will receive a copy of Johnson's book, The Road Back Home.
Call 646-8629 to register.

On Sun., Sept. 13, noon-4 p.m., the museum explores why "A Woman's Work Is Never Done,"-at least why it wasn't at the turn of the century. Though often referred to as the weaker sex, women were expected to perform a great number of hard, physical tasks around the house. Cooking on a wood burning stove, doing laundry with a clothes boiler and scrub board, and making lye soap were a big part of the farm wife's life. This event is designed to demonstrate these tasks and and look at the way things used to be done.

"Neighborhood History
Day" is the featured program
on Sun., Sept. 20, noon—
4 p.m. What do you know
about your neighborhood?
Who were its first residents?
Which houses are
historically significant?
Learn from a number of local
groups about their efforts to
preserve the history of their

The Gibbs Farm Museum is located at the corner of Cleveland and Larpenteur Avenues. Hours are Tues.,-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m., and Sun., noon-4 p.m. Admission is \$2.50 for adults, \$2 seniors and \$1 children. For more information about any of the museum's programs, call 646-8629.

Pencil Power

Teri Thayer-Graham will teach personal note-writing in workshops called "Pencil Power for Busy People," on Sept. 10, 17 and 24 at Gibbs Farm Museum, Cleveland at Larpenteur. Graham, based in Roseville, has a business called "Write Connections." In teaching the "lost art" of writing personal notes as correspondence to family and friends, she reviews, for example, guidelines for sympathy, apology and thank you notes.

Cost for the 2 1/2 hour workshop is \$15. Call 646-8629 for more information. Graham will also teach "Pencil Power for Busy Teachers," at Gibbs Farm during teachers' convention weekend, Oct. 15, 16 & 17.

Minnesota Horticultural Society purchases building

The Minnesota State
Horticultural Society (MSHS)
has purchased a building in
Falcon Heights to be its new
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expand its activities and



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Officers of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society are shown at the celebration of the purchase of their new headquarters building at 1755 Prior Ave., Falcon Heights. The facility will be open to the public following renovation, approximately in January 1993. Pictured are Dorothy Johnson, executive director; Diane Emerson, immediate past president and fundraising chairperson (from St. Anthony Park); and Jerald Shannon, current president.

services. It will also be the first permanent home of the 125-year-old organization.

"Our new building will be a horticultural center for whole state—a center for northern gardening," commented Diane Emerson, pastpresident of the society. "We will have a library, a viewing place for videos and slides and regular classes on gardening."

MSHS is the largest such society in the nation with 16,000 members statewide.

The newly-purchased building is one-half mile north of current MSHS headquarters on the St. Paul campus. The brick building was constructed in 1986. Half of the building is occupied, but the other half—the projected MSHS headquarters- has not been finished. MSHS will move its offices into the new headquarters when construction is completed, probably in early 1993.

Both floors of the new facility have handicappedaccessible entrances and ample parking space.

A boulevard between the parking lot and the street offers a small area for demonstration gardens, which will be an added feature of the new headquarters.

CTV picnic

North Suburban Community Television will hold a picnic (rain or shine) for its volunteers on Sun., Sept. 20, 2-6 p.m., at Falcon Heights Park, Roselawn & Cleveland. Call Joan at 481-9554 by Sept. 15 to R.S.V.P.

LAUDERDALE

College graduate

Jeffrey Tengesdal received an M.A. degree in counseling psychology from the University of St. Thomas in May.

Namekagon canoe trip

Members of Boy Scout Troop 254 in Lauderdale went on a canoe trip on the Namekagon River in Northern Wisconsin Aug. 7 & 8. The river lies just north of Tamahawk, Indianhead council's Boy Scout summer camp.

Five Scouts: Kris Helm, Josh Carroll, Scott Good, Ryan Nelson and Andy Wallin along with seven adults: Steve Good, Jeff Nelson, Jerry Wallin, Ken Crea (Scoutmaster) Rollie Gates, Ken Rogers and Mark Lehner, participated in the activity on one of this summer's only hot and humid weekends.

COMO PARK

Twin Cities Hearing Center opens

John Rudie has opened Twin Cities Hearing Center at 1563 Como Ave. near Snelling. The center offers a full range of hearing services, including evaluations, hearing tests, hearing aid fittings, ear plugs, musicians' attenuators, listening devices and telephone equipment for those who don't hear normally. Hearing evaluations are free.

Rudie was manager of a hearing aid center in Roseville before coming to Como Park in April.

He says hearing loss awareness is becoming increasingly accepted, but estimates that of the 25 million Americans with a hearing loss, only 1 in 4 do something about it.

Seniors can reduce auto insurance

Those over 55 who take an eight-hour classroom course on driver improvement qualify for a ten percent reduction in their auto insurance premiums for three years, according to Minnesota

AAA is offering such a class at Como Park High School, 740 Rose Avenue W., on Sept. 9 & 10 from 6-10 p.m. The fee is \$20 and preregistration is required. Call 297-2466 for more information or to enroll.

The Minnesota Safety Council is also giving the Defensive Driving class on Sept. 17 & 18, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., at Lyngblomsten Senior Center, 1298 N. Pascal. Cost is \$15 and there will be a one hour lunch break. Those interested may call the Minnesota Safety Council, 291-9150, and must ask for the Lyngblomsten registration form.

College graduates

James Bunde, Terese Cooper and William Norris received degrees in May from the University of St. Thomas Bunde earned an M.B.A. degree with a major in finance, Cooper received a B.A. degree in telecommunications, while Norris received a B.A. in journalism (advertising and telecommunications).

Spinal care classes

Como Chiropractic Health Center presents a series of free spinal care classes on Tuesdays, Sept. 8, 15, 22 and 29 at its offices, 1884 Como Ave. Topics will include stress reduction therapy, back pain prevention and nutrition. For more information call the Health Center at 645-8393.

AARP meeting

Midway-Highland Chapter 930 of the American Association of Retired

Persons will meet at 1 p.m. on Thurs., Sept. 17 at Lyngblomsten Senior Center, Pascal at Midway Parkway. Sue Seider of the Foundation for Health Evaluation will speak on "Knowing Your Rights." Everyone is welcome. A social hour will follow.

Lakeside worship

Como Park Lutheran Church will hold Sunday worship outdoors at the Como Park Lakeside Pavilion on Sun., Aug. 30, at 10 a.m. A folk liturgy will be featured, led by a musical ensemble.

Public hearing notice

Gabes By the Park, 991 N. Lexington, has applied for a Class B gambling permit to allow the Highland area hockey program to lease space for the sale of pulltabs and/or tipboards. The hearing will be held on Thurs., Sept. 24, 5 p.m., at St. Paul City Council Chambers, 3rd floor City Hall.



Greg Redmon is the new Job Corps director.

Job Corps from 1

under Ryan's tenure, as some of the community members and fellow students felt that students who should have been expelled were allowed to stay in order to keep the termination rate within the accepted range. Redmon says he will put strict enforcement of discipline first and not worry about the rates. "As long as your center is operating properly," he says, "the numbers will take care of themselves."

The Job Corps was established in 1965 as one of then-President Johnson's Great Society programs. According to Duda, it is the only Great Society program still in operation, and it is in the process of expanding as a result of its success. There are over 100 centers nationwide serving 45,000 underprivileged youth.

The program has immediate openings for men and women between the ages of 16 and 21. The Job Corps provides free room and board, medical and dental care, a living and savings allowance, free education (which might lead to college credits), job training and job placement plus many extracurricular activities. For more information, write Job Corps, Attn: Paul Siefert, 310 E. 38th St., #217, Minneapolis, MN 55409, or call 822-2204.

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By Carol Weber



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District councils lobby for more money from city budget

By Jane McClure Neighborhood News Service

The prospect of more funding for district planning councils, coupled with a proposal to save the Neighborhood Partnership Program, could help ease the financial burdens faced in many of St. Paul's neighborhoods.

When planning began for the 1993 St. Paul city budget, many district planning council members, neighborhood volunteers and community organizers were openly concerned about what the budget might bring. The possibility of a second year of funding reductions brought warnings of cutbacks in services and the elimination of some district planning council programs.

In a letter to City Hall signed by several district council presidents, it was noted that "...with the budget process for 1993 beginning, we feel that it is vital to express the importance of the survival of funding for the community council structure."

The presidents also pointed out that their funding makes up two-tenths of one percent of the total city budget. "There is no substitute for our citizen participation funds," the letter added. "No other city program does so much for the city's vitality at so little cost."

The summer of 1992 has not been an easy one for some of the city's district planning councils. Three community organizers, in Summit-University, Payne-Phalen and Merriam Park, left those posts. Some other neighborhoods have already had to drop proposed programs, or cut back current programs.

In Merriam Park, the search is on for outside funding for the community council. Without it, the community council will have to be run largely by volunteers until year's end. Council President Mat Hollinshead points out that Merriam Park, like other councils, has lost grant and foundation support this year that kept the council office operating in the past.

A number of district council presidents and community organizers met with Mayor Jim Scheibel last July, to ask that their city funding not be cut in 1993. Scheibel's stance at that time was to say he'd hold the line on district council funding, and not make any more reductions. But with no increase in light of inflation, some district council representatives contended that holding the line is itself a budget cut.

And with a part-time City Council taking office in 1994, many district council leaders are predicting an increase in constituent service requests, said Highland Area Community Council President Scott Bunin. He and other leaders are lobbying to get some of the funds saved by the part-time City Council switched to district planning council operations.

It appears now that the councils may see a slight increase in funding next year. But whether the 2.7 percent funding increase proposed by Mayor Scheibel survives the City Council budget review won't be known until later this fall. When he presented the budget to the City Council Aug. 13, Scheibel spoke of how St. Paul is in effect becoming two cities, one of strong neighborhoods and the other a place where people are at risk. By focusing on neighborhoods and on families, he contends that the city can reverse trends of increased crime, poverty and racism.

The \$6,876 addition to general levy dollars for citizen participation is combined with other funding increases and transfers to support neighborhood and family-based programs. Funding earmarked for the 1992 Office of Neighborhoods is being moved into the "Families First" initiative.

"Families First" is an effort to "promote the strength of our neighborhoods by reinforcing families," said Scheibel. A major part of the "Families First" effort is to make city government more responsive to families and their needs, through increased access to city services for non-English-speaking families, and the possibility of evening hours for some city services.

Scheibel spoke of how St. Paul is in effect becoming two cities, one of strong neighborhoods and the other a place where people are at risk.

"Families First" may also become a part of working more closely with district planning councils, Scheibel added. He is recommending that more than \$130,000 be set aside for "Families First."

How district planning councils will work with the "Families First" initiative isn't known, and isn't explained in budget documents. But the shift from the Office of Neighborhoods to "Families First" may win some support simply because many neighborhood activists questioned what function the planned Office of Neighborhoods would have.

St. Paul is divided into 17 planning districts, and has 19 councils. (District 13 has three smaller community councils within its boundaries: Lexington-Hamline, Snelling-Hamline and Merriam Park.) Each planning district receives about \$30,000 per year from the city—in tax levy

dollars, Federal Community
Development Block Grant
(CDBG) funds or a
combination of the two
sources. St. Anthony Park
(District 12) Community
Council receives most of its
funding from CDBG dollars,
while the Como Park (District
10) Community Council is
funded by tax money.

District planning councils use city funds, city and outside grants, and other income to support a wide variety of neighborhood-based efforts.

But because grant funding has become more and more scarce, district councils are having to increasingly rely on other sources of income.

Ann Copeland, who oversees citizen participation for the city, notes that another problem with grant and foundations dollars is that few funders are willing to supply operating funds for general council operations, or even for specific program operations.

"It's a real challenge for some of these groups to find funding," she said.

Some councils, such as the Summit Hill Association, spend considerable time on fund raising. Summit Hill hosts a neighborhood home tour every other year as a way of generating income. Other neighborhoods raise funds at community festivals or through fund drives.

Virtually all of the district council representatives who spoke to Scheibel last July said they've seen increased operating costs, including rent for office space and postage. But for councils funded with tightly restricted CDBG dollars, there isn't even money available to cover the time and costs of grant-writing and fundraising. Dayton's Bluff Community Organizer Susan Omoto noted that she does such work on her own time.

"That's crazy," Scheibel replied.

Other budget changes that are expected to help district planning councils and other neighborhood-based groups include increasing the Neighborhood Partnership Program (NPP) funding from \$250,000 to almost \$700,000. NPP has funded a wide range of projects, from streetscape improvements to youth organizing programs.

NPP had been slated for elimination, and the round of grants recommended for approval in August by the St. Paul Planning Commission was expected to be the last group of NPP projects. Funds from crime prevention and unspent community development block grants will be transferred to the revived NPP budget.

Jane McClure is a reporter for the Neighborhood and Community Press Association's Neighborhood News Service.

Oak wilt and pest problems threaten neighborhood trees

By Bettie Seitzer

The sight of a tree being felled always draws a crowd. Many will speak sadly of the loss of a majestic member of the community.

How often do we take our shade trees for granted? They have been here as long as we can remember and it seems they will always be here. The sad fact is there are many forces that can destroy our largest trees.

In St. Anthony Park many elms were lost to Dutch Elm disease not so very long ago. Now the oaks are in danger.

Oak wilt is not the only hazard the oak trees face. Diagnosis can be difficult; deciding what course of action to take can be even harder.

A meeting will be held at St. Anthony Park Library, 2245 Como Ave., on Thurs., Sept. 3, from 6:30-8:30 p.m., to present information covering the disease and pest problems of oak trees. Diagnosis and treatment will be discussed by experts.

Large trees are often ignored until someone notices a few leaves have changed to fall color early, or perhaps an entire branch has died. The alarmed homeowner looks for answers and finds that the care and feeding of a mature shade tree is a very complicated and costly matter.

At this point, it is important to have the facts in order to weigh the best course of action. Should the tree be removed immediately? Should it be

watered and fertilized in the hope of keeping it alive or possibly even fighting off the disease or pest? Or perhaps the best course of action is to do nothing for the existing tree but to immediately plant new trees to take its place?

To make these decisions regarding an oak tree, one needs to know the specific variety of the diseased oak. When a red oak becomes infected with oak wilt, it will very quickly succumb to the disease, often dying within a few weeks of first symptoms. Oak wilt is always fatal for red oaks.

Red oaks should be removed quickly, but not before some sort of barrier is created between its roots and the roots of neighboring red oaks. Oak wilt spreads mainly through root graftsthat is, neighboring oak trees of the same variety will have roots in the same soil. Those roots will grow together forming a graft and the trees will share parts of their root systems. These grafts will form only between the same varieties of oaks. Red oaks will graft with red oaks but not with white oaks. A barrier between grafts must be created either mechanically or chemically. Both methods require professional installation and must be carefully planned to be effective.

Minnesota also has white oaks and burr oaks. White oaks will not succumb as quickly as red oaks and may live quite a few years after infection before they finally die. Often, individual branches will die and be trimmed out until there is finally so little left of the tree that it will be taken down.

White oaks do not very often recover completely.

Burr oaks have about a 50-50 chance of recovering and living a normal life span. For trees in the white oak group (which includes burr oaks) professional pruning, fertilization and watering can improve the trees' odds of surviving and prolong the lifespan. This action coupled with planting young replacement trees is often the best choice for a homeowner who has nothing but mature oak trees on his or her property.

Fall is a good time for planting many varieties of trees. It is also an appropriate time to prune oak trees.

For those who cannot attend the Sept. 3 meeting, there are a number of good publications available from Ramsey County Extension Service at a nominal charge.

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Because of the sand's special bonding qualities, sculptors were able to carve the tiniest details—including pupils, eyebrows and mustache on Dumpy.



California sculptor Todd Vander Pluym and team began sculpting castle details from the top down.

The sand castle glows with thousands of internal lights and is constructed in such a way that rain will not affect it.

A "must" stop for history buffs is the Minnesota Historical Society's booth in the Grandstand. In celebrating the upcoming grand opening of its History Center, the Society has planned a booth that previews new museum exhibits, the Research Center, its gift stores and colorful characters from historical sites around the state. The booth is located immediately to the left of the main entrance to the Grandstand.

At the Historical Society's booth, visitors will be able to try on a corset, learn Victorian etiquette, watch a beadwork demonstration, find their great-grandmother's name in Minnesota census records, recall the beginnings of historical events in Minnesota through an interactive, 3-dimensional timeline of Minnesota history, or take home a State-On-A-Stick fan.

And for the first time ever, fair visitors will have an opportunity to see actual veterinary surgery performed. A new surgical center, open to public viewing, will be in operation at the State Fair's Pet Center on Machinery Hill.

The Minnesota Veterinary
Medical Association will
perform four surgeries
per day. Operations will
include spaying and neutering
of dogs from humane
societies throughout the
Twin Cities area.

Also featured at the Pet
Center is a display by
the Minnesota Purebred Dog
Breeders Association.
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"We didn't do it alone," says Strande. "This recognition reflects the strength of our partnerships with many public and community organizations that recognize the need to build programs that will have a long-term, positive impact on our communities. We are proud to share the honor."

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Arts Calendar

Visual Art

The second annual Midtown Arts Open, a free open house and open studio event celebrating the abundance of arts and culture in the Midtown area of St. Paul near the intersection of Raymond and University Aves., will be held Sun., Sept. 27, noon-4 p.m.

A promotional slide show will run for two weeks before the Arts Open at Susan's Coffeehouse and Deli, 2399 University Ave.
Participating artists who would like to submit slides are asked to bring them to Film in the Cities Gallery, 2388 University Ave., no later than Fri., Aug. 28.

Maps with a list of participants will be available at Susan's, which is serving as starting point for the event. Visitors are invited to take off from there to roam at their own pace through artists' studios and to stop in at arts and culture organizations, many holding special programs for the day. For more information call the Northern Clay Center, 642-1735.

Individual artists participating include those working in photography, painting, weaving, pottery, jewelry, printmaking, sculpture and other media. Music has been added to this year's event.

Among the variety of arts and culture-related organization expected to participate are Alliance Française, Artpaper, Bookslinger, the Center for Arts Criticism, the Center for Creative Process, Cloth & Clay, Film in the Cities, Graywolf Press, Minnesota Women's Press, Northern Clay Center, Raymond Avenue Gallery, the Women's Art Registry of Minnesota (WARM), Weavers Guild and-new this year-FORECAST Public Artworks, as well as others.

The Midtown Arts Open is organized by the Midtown Planning Group.

"Food for Thought," a juried exhibition of undergraduate student work, will be displayed at the University of Minnesota's Goldstein Gallery, 250 McNeal Hall, 1985 Buford Ave., through Oct. 18. This multi-media exhibition, representing more than 50 artists, presents visual interpretations on the theme of food, its abundance and scarcity. A food shelf to benefit St. Paul's Second Harvest is part of the exhibition; visitors are invited to bring donations of non-perishable food.

Hours are Mon.–Fri., 10 a.m.–4 p.m.; Thurs., 10 a.m.–8 p.m.; and Sat. & Sun, 1:30–4:30 p.m. Admission is free. Call 624-7434. "Raymond Avenue Gallery: Gallery Artists Exhibition" continues through Sept. 28 at 761 Raymond Ave. On view are crafts and photography by leading Midwestern artists. Hours are Mon.–Fri., 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Call Joseph Brown, 644-9200, for more information.

Northern Clay Center's fall classes begin the week of Sept. 14 and continue for 12 weeks. Classes include basic wheel throwing, figure sculpture, ceramics, and clay for children. Registration deadline is Sept. 4. Call 642-1735 for information.

The Center's current exhibit, "The Edifice Complex: Structures in Clay," runs through Sept. 19 at the gallery, 2375 University Ave. Hours are Mon.–Fri., 10 a.m.–5:30 p.m. and Sat., 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Music

The St. Anthony Park Community Band will participate in the Minnesota State Fair parade on Tues., Sept. 1, 5:15 p.m.

Richard Killmer will join his American Reed Trio colleagues, clarinetist Frank Ell and bassoonist John Miller, and prominent Twin Cities pianist Thelma Hunter in the opening concert of the 1992-93 Music in the Park Series on Oct. 18. The 4 p.m. concert at St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 2129 Commonwealth Ave., will feature music for oboe and piano by Edvard Grieg and works for reed trio by J.S. Bach, Ibert and Norwegian composer Trygve Madsen.

Currently professor of oboe at Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y., Killmer was well-known to Twin Cities music lovers when he served as the SPCO's principal oboist from 1971–1982. He and his wife Sydney, a violist, lived in St. Anthony Park with their three children and were frequent guests of the Music in the Park Series in those years.

Tickets for the 1992-93 season of six concerts are \$45 and are available at The Bibelot Shop and Micawber's Bookstore or by calling 644-4234. Tickets for single concerts (\$10 general admission, \$9 advance, \$5 student rush) will be sold after Oct. 1.

Literature

The St. Anthony Park
Writers' Workshop will meet
on Tues., Sept. 1, 7:30 p.m.,
at the home of Frederick
Steimann, 570 W. Sandhurst
Dr., Apt. 122, Roseville. The
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may be directed to Steimann
at 687-8409 (w) or
487-9281 (h).

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Linnea celebrates 75 years with drive for new elevator

By Kathy Malchow

Older folks needing a lift will most likely find one next year at Twin City Linnea Home.

In its 75th year of operation, the boarding care home for seniors will soon launch a campaign to raise \$200,000 to construct an elevator for its two-story building on Como Avenue. The home's administrators hope the addition of the "lift" will help recruit additional residents. Linnea Home currently does not admit those who use wheelchairs.

Administrator Keith Johnson says the Linnea Home is licensed for 71 residents; it presently has 61. "We are drawing from a diminished market," he says. "Older people are able to stay in their homes longer because of home health service availability. We hope the addition of an elevator will increase our clientele."

Even though the home is not a facility for very sick people, round-the-clock nursing care is available.

The number of residents in the home has remained stable over the years, ever since a group of twelve Swedish women founded the Twin City Linnea Society in 1904. Men were allowed into the society in 1916 and the first phase of the present facility was erected in 1917,

under the auspices of the Lutheran church. The building's wings were added in the 1920s and by 1929 there were 86 residents.

Originally the plan was to use the home as



The Twin City Linnea Home in St. Anthony Park was built in 1917 as a home for immigrant Swedish girls, but has always housed the elderly.

a "safe haven" for immigrant Swedish girls or needy older women (the linnea is a delicate flower) but, according to Johnson, it was never used in that way. Instead, he says, it opened as a home for retired pastors and/or their widows. Now anyone may apply to be a resident. It has been Lutheran-affiliated all along, and since 1968 has been run by the Board of Social Ministry of what is now called the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Construction of the elevator is expected to begin in February, 1993. It will be located behind the building, facing Linnea's back yard. Anyone interested in more information about the fund raising campaign may call Keith Johnson at 646-2544. He and his staff hope to announce 75th anniversary celebration activities later in 1992.

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1 Tues.

Toastmasters, Hewlett Packard, 2025 W. Larpenteur, 7:30 a.m. Call Jon Hunstock, 641-9708. Every Tues.

Family gym night, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, 6:30–8 p.m. Every Tues.

St. Anthony Park Association Board, Langford Park Rec Center, 7 p.m.

2 Wed.

St. Anthony Park Merchants & Professionals Association general membership meeting, Muffuletta, 8 a.m.

Parent-child play group, So. St. Anthony Recreation Center, 890 Cromwell, 10–11:30 a.m. Every Wed. Call 646-6986.

Vietnam Veterans of America, St. Paul Chapter 320, HHH Job Corps auditorium, Arlington & Snelling, 7:30 p.m.

3 Thurs.

St. Anthony Park Community Council Physical Planning Committee, 890 Cromwell, 5 p.m.

Meeting to discuss oak tree diseases, St. Anthony Park Library, 2245 Como Ave., 6:30–8:30 p.m.

St. Anthony Park Community Council Human Services Committee, 890 Cromwell, 7 p.m.

4 Fri

Falcon Heights/Lauderdale recycling day.

6 Sun.

We Care, St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 2129 Commonwealth Ave., 8 p.m. Call 641-1664. Every Sun.

7 Mon.

AA, St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 8 p.m. Call 647-9446 or 770-2646. Every Mon.

8 Tues.

Classes begin, St. Paul Public and Roseville Area Schools.

St. Anthony Park Association, St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 2129 Commonwealth Ave., 5:45 p.m. social hour; 6:30 p.m. dinner; 7:30 p.m. program.

9 Wed.

St. Anthony Park recycling day with food shelf pickup.

Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 10 a.m.

Falcon Heights City Council, City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 7 p.m.

St. Anthony Park Community Council, Library community room, 7 p.m. Town meeting on traffic issues.

10 Thurs.

First day of school for kindergartners in St. Paul Public Schools.

Program for installation of traffic light at Como & Eustis, 10:30 a.m.

11 Fri.

Storytimes for 3, 4 & 5 year olds, St. Anthony Park Library, 10:30 a.m. Fridays through Oct. 9. Call 292-6635 to register.

Drop off used sports equipment at Langford Rec Center, 5–9 p.m. (To sell at tomorrow's exchange/sale.)

Youth Activity Night for 7–12th graders, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 2200 Hillside, 7–10:45 p.m. Every Fri.

12 Sat.

Sports Equipment Exchange/Sale, Langford Park Rec Center, 9 a.m.– 1 p.m.

St. Anthony Park community garage sale, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Call the Community Council, 292-7884. Register to participate by Sept. 5.

13 Sun.

Children's Museum 10th birthday party, 1217 Bandana Boulevard, noon-5 p.m. Free.

"A Woman's Work is Never Done," Gibbs Farm Museum, Cleveland at Larpenteur, noon-4 p.m.

14 Mon.

Como Park recycling day.

Park Press, Inc. board of directors, ParkBank, 7–7:55 a.m.

Falconeers Senior Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 1–3:30 p.m.

Women for Sobriety, St. Anthony Park Library, 5:30 p.m. Call 224-0328. Every Mon.

Boy Scout Troop 17, St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 2129 Commonwealth Ave., 7 p.m. Every Mon.

St. Anthony/Merriam Park Community Education Advisory Council, St. Anthony Park Elementary School, 2180 Knapp St., 7 p.m.

St. Anthony Park Branch Library Association, Library, 7 p.m.

15 Tues.

Primary election day, 7 a.m.–8 p.m.

District 10 Community Council, Lyngblomsten Senior Center, Midway Pkwy. & Pascal, 7 p.m. Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 1891 Walnut, 7:30 p.m.

16 Wed.

Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 10 a.m.

Block Nurse Program, Inc. board of directors, Park Bank, 2265 Como, 4–6 p.m. Call 339-7774.

Langford Booster Club, Langford Park, 7:30 p.m.

17 Thurs.

AARP Midway-Highland Chapter 930, Lyngblomsten Senior Center, Pascal at Midway Parkway, 1 p.m.

18 Fri.

Falcon Heights/Lauderdale recycling day.

19 Sat.

St. Anthony Park neighborhood cleanup, Energy Park Drive east of Raymond, 9 a.m.—4 p.m. or until dumpsters are full. Call the Community Council, 292-7884.

Contradancing, Oddfellows Hall, 2380 Hampden, 8 p.m. Call 642-9118.

20 Sun.

"Neighborhood History Day," Gibbs Farm Museum, Cleveland at Larpenteur, noon-4 p.m.

23 Wed.

St. Anthony Park recycling day.

Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 10 a.m.

Bookmobile at Hamline & Hoyt, 12:30–5:30 p.m.

St. Anthony Park Community Council Housing Committee, Library community room, 5 p.m. St. Anthony Park Community Council Environment Committee, 890 Cromwell, 7 p.m.

Falcon Heights City Council, City Hall, 7 p.m.

24 Thurs.

First day of classes, University of Minnesota.

25 Fri.

Bookmobile at Seal Hi-Rise, 9:30-10:30 a.m.

26 Sat.

Fare SHARE distribution and registration for Oct., St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 8–10:30 a.m., call 644-6804; Seal Hi Rise, 10 a.m.; Holy Childhood Church, 10 a.m.–noon.

Como Park neighborhood cleanup, Fairgrounds parking lot, 8:30 a.m.– 2:30 p.m.

27 Sun.

Midtown Arts Open, University at Raymond Aves., noon-4 p.m.

28 Mon.

Como Park recycling day.

Falconeers Senior Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 1–3:30 p.m.

Cub Scout Pack 22, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, Como at Hillside, 7 p.m.

St. Anthony Park Block Nurse Program Board of Directors, St. Anthony Park Library, 7:30–9:30 p.m.

30 Wed.

Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 10 a.m.

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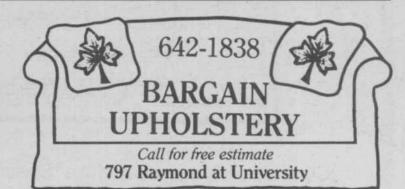


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Obituaries

Park Bugle

Frances Frye

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Frances M. Frye, a resident of Lyngblomsten Care Center, died on July 22, 1992. She was 86 years of age.

Mrs. Frye is survived by her daughter, Betty Pat Leach of St. Paul: her son, L.M. (Kenny) Frye of Joliet, Ill.; six grandchildren and nine great-grand-

Eldred Hunt

Eldred M. Hunt, former executive director of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society, died on July 8, 1992, at the age of 83. He lived for many years on Hillside Ave. and was active in founding the Landscape Arboretum.

Mr. Hunt was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth Bengston Hunt, whose family had lived on Dudley Ave. He is survived by his son, Todd Hunt of New Jersey; daughter, Holly Hunt of St. Paul; and granddaughter, Gayle Bedbury

Lulu Jesness

Lulu S. Jesness, a longtime resident of St. Anthony Park, died on Aug. 2, 1992, at the age of 101 years. She had lived in her home on Chelmsford St. for over 60 years and was a member of St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church.

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Mrs. Jesness was preceded in death by her husband, Oscar B. Jesness, who was a professor in agricultural economics at the University of Minnesota. She is survived by a sister, Edna Steiner of Red Wing; her grandchildren, Bradley and Norene of St. Paul; and four great-grandchildren, as well as a nephew and niece.

Marjorie Healy Iohnson

Marjorie Healy Johnson, a former St. Anthony Park resident, died at age 57 on July 31, 1992. She had grown up on Dudley Ave. and was a graduate of Murray High School, Class of 1953. In recent years, she had lived in

Mrs. Johnson was a member of the St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ. Her father, Henry Healy, built the office building on Como at Doswell, known as the Healy Building. It originally housed the Healy Laboratory, a dairy-testing

Marjorie Johnson is survived by her husband, James W. Johnson of Roseville; her daughters, Kirsten Hawks and Sara Tenge; her sons, David and Steven Johnson; her granddaughter, Alyssa Hawks; her mother, Dorothy Healy; and her brother, John P. Healy.

David Skundberg

David E. Skundberg, a former resident of the Como Park area, died in Blaine, Minn., on July 18, 1992, at age 48. He was a member of Como Park Lutheran Church.

Skundberg is survived by his parents, Bill and Irene Skundberg of St. Paul; his brother, Robert Skundberg of Newport; his sister, Diane Doncits of Shoreview; a niece and three nephews.

Como Park Community Council State Fair, Fairway Golf, annual cleanup discussed

By Linda Johnson

At the Aug. 18 District 10 Community Council meeting, Jim Frost, director of State Fair planning, discussed

State Fair issues. Barrels for trash will be provided again, and if they become filled, residents should call 642-2205. Since the Park & Ride program was very successful last year, according to Frost, a similar program will continue.

Fair planners would also like to use the Fairway Golf Center for additional parking, a bus turnaround area or composting. Norbert Anderson, owner of Fairway Golf, discussed his desire to continue his business. The council voted to ask fair officials to reconsider their plans, and work more closely

with Anderson in making mutually optimal use of the Fairway Golf Center area.

Problems connected with overuse of Como Park, parking at MacMurray field and the Hmong Soccer Festival at Como Park were discussed.

Community Organizer Keri Poeppe announced the need for volunteers to direct traffic and take materials at the neighborhood cleanup, Sat., Sept. 26, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., at the fairgrounds parking lot.

District 10 council elections will take place at the Sept. 15 community council meeting.

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Housing

FOR RENT: EUSTIS APTS: One and two bedroom. From \$410–\$495. 1355–1365 Eustis. Donna, 486-9653.

FOR SALE, RENT, OR LEASE with an option to buy: small, newer house, large fenced yard, 2 BR, double garage, A/C, waterproofed basement with full bath. Hampden Park Foods neighborhood. 646-5548, 646-6667.

FOR RENT: Duplex in St.A.P. 2 bedrooms, living room with fireplace, kitchen and bath. Call for appointment 646-1908 or 645-9895.

BUYER REPRESENTATION. In a real estate transaction, the Selling Agent may represent the sellers or the buyer. If you're a buyer, it is to your advantage to have a real estate agent represent you. If you want an agent to represent you and your interests, call Ed Kohler, Realtor, Edina Realty, 636-3760 or 639-6377 (direct).

FOR SALE: Sunny, 2-bedroom home in Lauderdale. DR, LR, porch and walk-up attic. 1746 Malvern. \$48,000. By owner. 781-9906.

WANT TO RENT. Fifth generation Park resident would like to rent your home or duplex ASAP. Please call 673-0588, Laura.

WANT TO SHARE apartment with female non-smoker. Near St. Paul Campus. Mpls./St. Paul buslines. 296-8048.

FOR RENT: Condominium, available Sept. 15. 2 BR, 1 3/4 bath. \$650 per month. Ground floor, central air, fireplace, laundry, garage, pool tennis. At Brandychase in Lauderdale. Call Mark or Elizabeth at 645-6628.

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FOR RENT: Furnished room/suite in Falcon Heights home. 646-5073.

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FOR RENT: Charming St.A.P. 2 bedroom upper duplex available 11/1. Fireplace, woodwork, patio, laundry, owner-occupied. 1-2 non-smokers. \$625 + sep. utilities. 645-2031.

HOMES FOR SALE, St.A.P.: 1276 Eustis, 2-BR, \$84,900; 2186 Doswell, \$157,900; 2120 W. Hoyt, \$159,900. Peggy Sparr, Edina Realty, 639-5383.

For Sale

MINNESOTA WOMEN'S PRESS BOOKSHOP: Fall book group beginning now. Call for information. 771 Raymond near University. 646-3968.

DINING ROOM TABLE, 40" x 84", 2 leaves and 4 chairs. Dark wood. \$595. 644-3067.

SPORTS EQUIPMENT EXCHANGE/SALE. Buy or sell unused or outgrown sports equipment. Sat., Sept. 12, at Langford Rec Center, 9 a.m.— 1 p.m. Drop off equipment to be sold on Fri., Sept. 11 from 5–9 p.m. For details, contact: Elliott Mills, 646-0186; Juli Farnsworth, 644-9517; Matt Harmer 645-0363.

BUNDY CLARINET, good for student, \$150. Call 646-0565.

SINGER SEWING MACHINE, light oak cabinet. Good condition.

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Child Care

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE. Community Child Care Center has openings in its School Age Program (5–9 years old) this school year, including half days for kindergartners. Conveniently located near the St. Paul Campus of the U of M, open 7 a.m.–6 p.m. Children from around the world enjoy our multi-cultural, gender fair program. Childcare also available for ages 20 months to 4 years. Consider us an option! 645-8958.

PERSONAL DAYCARE for your newborn. Experienced, references. Larpenteur & Snelling. 646-1383.

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LICENSED DAYCARE in StAP. Openings for ages 2–5. Food program, fenced yard. 642-1970.

Employment

BUSINESS EXPANDING. Looking for 1 or 2 part-time associates. Leadership experience helpful. Box 40085, St. Paul, MN 55104.

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Lead levels in St. Paul water higher than recommended

By Jane McClure Neighborhood News Service

When the hazards of lead poisoning in the environment are considered, we usually think of soil contaminated by paint chips and motor vehicle emissions.

But another potential hazard is as close as your kitchen sink. Higher-than-allowed levels of lead in St. Paul's municipal water supply have city officials looking for solutions.

Test results released recently indicated that drinking water in 48 of 100 St. Paul homes tested exceeds the lead concentration level dictated by the federal Safe Drinking Water Act. The federal standard is 15 parts per billion of lead in a water sample.

In comparison, 16 of the 100 homes tested in Minneapolis were in excess of the federal limit

While city and state public health officials say that overall lead levels in the Twin Cities' drinking water pose no immediate health hazard, they also note that it is easy to protect yourself from risks.

"When you turn on the tap, let the water run for 30 to 60 seconds, or until it is noticeably colder to the touch," said Roger Mohror, division manager of the St. Paul Water Utility. Allowing the water to run flushes standing water out of your home's plumbing, and is especially advised when water has been in the pipes for six or more hours.

Hot water directly from the tap shouldn't be used for drinking or cooking purposes. According to Mohror, when hot water runs through lead pipes, the water continues to leach lead out of the plumbing and into your cup or pan. Parents of infants and young children should never use hot water from the tap to mix infant formula, instant foods or hot drinks. Heat the water on a stove or in a microwave oven instead.

The environmental hazards of lead and lead poisoning have received considerable attention in recent years. Such groups as Lead Free Kids have formed, to promote public awareness of lead and lead poisoning issues. The St. Paul law firm of Gilsdorf and Jacobberger, which has represented Twin Cities families in lead poisoning cases, has even started publishing a newsletter, Lead Lines, on the topic.

Damage caused by lead poisoning is irreversible. Pregnant women and children 6 years and younger are considered most at risk. High lead levels in children can stunt growth and cause mental retardation. Lower levels of lead poisoning can cause a drop in IQ test scores, learning disabilities and various physical problems.

More awareness of the dangers of lead poisoning is seen as a major impetus for the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to toughen its water purity standards. The EPA has also prepared a series of steps that cities must follow to reduce lead levels in water. The steps could take as long as 15 years and have major cost implications for some cities. Thus far, at least one legal challenge has been filed against the new standards.

St. Paul and other cities with excessive lead levels must make plans to reduce the lead content of the water supply. That process could take several years, and may have high costs for the city.

"It could be expensive," Mohrer said. "There are long-term considerations with just about anything you look at."

If further water tests continue to show excess lead levels, the city has several options. The city could use chemicals to control the corrosive or Ph level in water.

If chemical treatment doesn't work, the water utility may have to look at removing the 27,000 lead service connectors still in place in St. Paul. Service connectors are the pipes linking a home's plumbing to the water mains below the street.

Speaking Briefly

Birthday party at Children's Museum

Children's Museum in Bandana Square will celebrate its 10th birthday with a party on Sun., Sept. 13, from noon–5 p.m. There will be free admission, live presentations by RADIO AAHS™, mime, face painting, storytellers, a traffic control helicopter, the Children's Theatre Company, birthday decorations, cake and more. Call 644-5305 for more information.

Hunter education

"Advanced Hunter Education," a DNR-sponsored course, begins Sept. 22 and runs for six consecutive Tuesdays from 6:45–9:45 p.m. at Fairview Community Center, 1910 W. Cty. Rd. B. Topics covered include small game, waterfowl, big game, survival, hunting laws and ethics. Classes are for those 16 years of age and older. Cost is \$15. For more information, call 633-3766.

Square dance lessons

The Triple T Square Dance Club is offering classes starting Thurs., Sept. 10 at Fairview Community Center, 1910 W. Cty. Rd. B. Brush-up lessons for experienced dancers are from 6:30–8 p.m. Beginners lessons are from 8–9:30 p.m. Cost is \$25 per person for a series of 10 lessons.

The Sept. 10 lesson is free for

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beginners. Newcomers are welcome as late as the Sept. 24 lesson. Couples are preferred.

Roseville has hazardous waste drop off site

Beginning Sept. 18, hazardous waste materials may be dropped off in Roseville at a site north of Larpenteur on Kent St., on property owned by the Ramsey County Public Works Department. Hours are noon-7 p.m. Fridays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturdays. Accepted will be aerosol cans, insecticides, wood preservatives, gasoline, rat poison, liquid paints and finishes. Unacceptable materials include motor oil, lead-acid batteries, appliances, oil filters, household batteries, tires and antifreeze.

Do shrub and tree waste go in trash?

The 1992 State Legislature expanded the yard waste ban to include shrub and tree waste, effective Aug. 1, 1992. Now, woody waste is required to be picked up separately, as is yard waste (leaves, grass clippings and other soft-bodied plants).

Residents are advised to check with their individual trash haulers to see if they will still pick up shrub and tree waste. If they don't, that waste may be brought to Twin City Refuse, 318 Water St., on the west side of St. Paul, or to the Pine Bend landfill in Inver Grove Heights.

Call the Ramsey County recycling hotline, 633-EASY, for more information.

ST. ANTHONY PARK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Council seeks help muffling 280 traffic noise

by Michael Russelle

Highway 280 is busy. Based on a 1990 survey, about 50,000 cars travel on it each day. An additional 2800 heavy commercial trucks rumble by daily.

And it is getting busier. More cars will travel on 280 after the improvements are completed in fall 1993. If the Burlington Northern Intermodal Transfer Hub facility is built in the train yard west of 280, about 600 truck trips will be added per day. Burlington Northern projects truck traffic will increase to over 2,000 trips per day within about 15 years. And plans are being developed to upgrade highway 280 to a freeway, which will bring even larger numbers of vehicles.

Residents of St. Anthony Park have complained for years about the constant din of traffic on 280. Particularly irritating is the noise of trucks accelerating and decelerating on the ramps.

Noise walls are out of the question because they cost about one million dollars per mile to install.

An alternate approach is to plant vegetative barriers. Members of the Environment Committee of the St. Anthony Park Community Council are working with planners at the Minnesota Department of Transportation to design plantings that, over time, will provide sight and sound barriers between the residents and the highway. The appearance of 280 will be enhanced by adding these natural elements and by providing visual separation from the houses and businesses.

Vegetative barriers are most effective at attenuating noise when they are several layers thick. It is best when they consist of a mix of short and tall species, with a majority of evergreens. Few areas along 280 are wide enough for dense plantings. However, other benefits of having strips of trees and shrubs between the highway and residences include an aesthetic improvement in background noise (such as rustling leaves and bird calls), reduced visual impact of highway traffic on residents, and improved visual boundaries to the neighborhood.

But the task is not easy. Plans for converting the highway to a freeway necessitate major construction, which will destroy plantings in the affected areas. There is little room to plant, because clear space must be maintained near the roadway for safety reasons. Shrubs and trees also must be placed beyond the throw of the snowplows. Relatively few plant species are tolerant of salty spray airborne by a quarter million tires. Species more tolerant of salt include spruce, black ash,

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balsam fir, Austrian pine, amur maple, and burr oak.

And, finally, there is the problem of resources.

Nursery stock is expensive to purchase, plant, and maintain.

Still, Environment Committee members are working to get the job done. They are concentrating on the highway bordering South St. Anthony Park, because it will not be involved in major reconstruction after 1993. They are seeking help of all kinds, including donations of time, money, and planting materials. Interested individuals and businesses can contact the Community Council office at 292-7884.

Council actions at a glance

In August the council:

- Approved a major variance request at 1528 Branston.
- Approved a one-day license extension for Gatsby's Sports Bar from 1–8 p.m. on August 23.
- Directed a letter supporting negotiations for continued lease of State Fair property to Fairway Golf Center.
- · Approved council policy and procedures.
- Denied request by StAP Library to purchase two parking permits to allow staff to park on Carter Ave.
- Denied request by Minnesota Student Co-op for lawn parking during State Fair.

Council-sponsored meetings are listed each month in the Bugle Community Calendar on page 17. Everyone is welcome!

Annual fall cleanup is Saturday, Sept. 19

On Sat., Sept. 19, St. Anthony Park residents will be able to dispose of trash and garbage at the annual council-sponsored fall cleanup.

The council will charge \$2 for the first trip for cars and \$6 for other trips; vans/pickups must pay \$5 for the first trip, \$15 second; trucks: \$25 first trip, \$50 second trip. A \$6 fee will be charged for appliances, \$1 for car tires, \$2 for other tires. Because of the amount of material received last year, residents should be aware that the site may close early if the number of contracted dumpsters is filled before 4 p.m.

Dumpsters are scheduled to be available from 9 a.m.– 4 p.m. at the cleanup site on Energy Park Drive for tires, general refuse, batteries, appliances and scrap metal. Brush and wood waste will not be accepted this year.

Each household in District 12 will receive a flier which will serve as the voucher and proof of residency for entry to the site.

The community council will organize volunteers to help seniors. Other community groups—youth groups, booster clubs and those with community service orientations—are also encouraged to form crews to take advantage of this service.

The council office will take calls now (292-7884) from seniors who want to make reservations for assistance or from those who wish to volunteer to help.

Contribute food on Sept. 9

After last year's successful food shelf pickup, the St. Anthony Park Community Council has set the date this year to coincide with our Sept. 9 recycling day. Food collected will be delivered by council volunteers to the Merriam Park Food Shelf at 2000 St. Anthony Avenue.

The directions are simple: put canned or boxed food (no glass or other breakable items, please), or paper goods (napkins, facial or toilet tissue, toothpaste, etc.) in a paper bag or box, tape it closed, mark it FOOD SHELF and place it at the curb with recyclables.

Residents must have recyclable materials at the curb in order to have food picked up. SuperCycle will collect the food, volunteers will sort and deliver it to Merriam Park Community Center Food Shelf. The Food Shelf phone number is 645-0349.

Anyone wishing to help with the sorting on Wed., Sept. 9 is asked to call the community council, 292-7884, to volunteer.