

## Final decision reached on elementary school parking lot issue

By Vickie Gilmer

St. Anthony Park Elementary School teachers' hopes of increased parking at the school were dashed at a January town meeting at which an overwhelming majority of residents, parents, Task Force, and community council members declined to support the construction of two parking lots.

More than 80 people attended the meeting on Jan. 13, climaxing a discussion of the proposed lots that began more than six months ago and was characterized by dissension. However, a three- to four-car lot was approved by the council to be built along the Knapp Street side of the school where there already is a small loading/unloading dock.

The decision to build the Knapp St. lot was based on residential support determined by a list of 19 proposals ranked by Task Force members and faculty and parents who had attended at least one meeting previous to the ranking vote. The small lot on Knapp Street ranked number one, while the Scudder Street lot was ranked number 11, and a proposal to build both lots—a nine slot lot on Knapp Street and a 28-space lot with handicapped parking on Scudder Street—was ranked 12.

Critics maintained that many of the items on the ranking proposal contained options that were not directly related to the school's lack of parking. These options included making a section of Scudder Street one-way, installing lantern-style lighting, and sidewalks along Knapp Street and Langford Park, among others. The options that did not relate directly to the building of the lots or any changes on

school property are issues for the city, not the school district, said some participants in the process, which they felt confused the issue of the teacher's claim for the need for parking.

The issue of preserving green space colored much of the disdain over the building of the lots, with individuals citing everything from environmental concerns to loss of property values. But other issues were also brought up. "I feel that we need to carefully spend our money because it's so short in the city right now," said Terri Peterson. "I would like to see that money taken out of the fund and put somewhere else. I don't know how, with the politics and everything, I just think it's a lot of money to spend when we don't have enough for education." Peterson added that she has lived in the neighborhood for 11 years, and while none of her four children attend the school, she has participated in various programs at the school and never had any difficulty finding parking.

Blanche Burroughs, a teacher at the school for the last 19 years, said she felt disappointed, but that issues such as teacher safety, better lighting of the school and other "logistic issues are valid. I think so many people have a perception that teachers are there just when the kids are," Burroughs said, adding that many teachers work late at school and have to carry heavy materials into class with them. "We could see no reason for the [second] lot not being built. Another concern I have is what percentage of the community you are actually hearing from."

Approximately 40 percent of

### Parking lot to 6



Photo by Truman Olson

Jerry Ruettimann, community relations coordinator for the Roseville police, and Judy Sabean, a Neighborhood Watch volunteer coordinator, discuss Falcon Heights' crime watch program.

## Falcon Heights residents watch for crime

By Daren Hansen

Falcon Heights residents make for nosy neighbors, and the Roseville police are proud of it.

Since the summer of 1990 more and more Falcon Heights residents have been joining a program designed to make them more concerned about their neighbors and to bring more cooperation and communication into their neighborhoods.

On Dec. 3, Jerry Ruettimann, community relations coordinator for the Roseville police, announced that 100 percent of all residential blocks in Falcon Heights had become part of the

city's Neighborhood Watch program.

Falcon Heights is the first city in Minnesota to reach that milestone.

Watching for crime, said Ruettimann, is only part of the program. Cooperation and communication among neighbors and with the police are the real benefits of Neighborhood Watch.

"It just kind of keeps the neighbors together," Ruettimann said. "Open communication. It gives them a reason to go say hi to the neighbor and to know what the neighbors do."

Neighbors are encouraged to

be concerned about what is going on in their neighborhoods, to communicate with their neighbors and to keep a watchful eye for any suspicious activity.

"It's such a stress relief to know your neighbors," Ruettimann said. "You can go on vacation. You can go away for the weekend. You don't have to worry about your house being robbed."

In order for a block to join the Neighborhood Watch program, at least 50 percent of its residents must participate, and they must meet at least twice per year. Normally, Ruettimann said, 90 to 100

### Crime watch to 6

## Candidates vie for DFL nomination for Fourth Ward seat

By Jane McClure  
Neighborhood News Service

Perhaps the question to ask in St. Paul City Council Ward Four is: Who isn't running for City Council?

Choices abound in the race for the office, as a growing candidate field gears up for neighborhood candidate forums and the

DFL convention. Incumbent Paula Maccabee's announcement that she will not seek a third term has brought out a number of candidates and would-be candidates over the past year.

Candidates who have declared include longtime St. Anthony Park Community Council Community Organizer Roberta

"Bobbi" Megard; Hamline neighborhood activist Triesta Brown and women's rights activist and Macalester-Groveland resident Carol Faricy.

Snelling-Hamline Community Council member Mitch Lancman, who challenged Maccabee in 1991, is also running. And former Merriam Park Community Council President Mat Hollinshead is seriously considering tossing his hat in the ring.

Speculation as to who will run in Ward Four has had the neighborhood rumor mills running overtime during the past several months. At one point last fall, there were about a dozen people said to be weighing a run for City Council. At about that same time, an untrue rumor that Maccabee would seek reelection further muddled the picture.

Virtually all the announced candidates thus far say they will seek the DFL endorsement at the ward convention on April 17. As this edition of the Bugle went to press, no Independent-Republican candidate for the Ward Four

propose a similar bill in the Senate.

"Highway 280 is one of those things that continues to evolve and isn't done right," said Hausman, "they [MNDOT] don't look at the impact on the neighborhood. We want to tell them they can't do anything any more in terms of work on the road until they've dealt with noise mitigation and safety." The bill also requests that the Minnesota Pol-

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Residents vote on options for parking lots at St. Anthony Park Elementary School.

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# Megard leaves organizing post to run for City Council

By Winton Pitcoff

After eight years as Community Organizer for District 12, Bobbi Megard requested and was granted a leave of absence by the St. Anthony Park Community Council beginning January 15. Her leave coincides with her announcement of a run for the Fourth Ward seat of the St. Paul City Council (see article pg. 1), and will end the day of the DFL nominating convention on April 17. At that time Megard will decide whether to resign or return to the Community Organizer position.

A St. Anthony Park resident for 25 years, Megard said she is

proudest of her work at "developing the District Council into a very sophisticated body. One that represents all people in the neighborhood at a very high level."

"Politics really gets left behind" when the Community Council works on neighborhood issues, said Megard. "They deliberate openly and leave their own agendas at home."

The neighborhood has grown as much as it has in the past decade largely because of the Council's ability to work together so well, Megard said. She points to projects such as the Westgate Industrial Area and Court International which brought thousands of jobs to the neighborhood, and credits the Community Council with helping to make the projects a reality. Convincing the city to zone the Everett Court area for residential property is another example Megard uses to demonstrate the effectiveness of the Council.

Though Megard is proud of what the Community Council has accomplished during her time as organizer, she is quick to point out that the credit for much of it belongs to neighborhood residents and the Council itself. "My role has been to be a listener, a facilitator, an information gatherer so that people in decision making positions can implement what they want to



Photo by Truman Olson  
**Bobbi Megard (right) talks with residents of Park Crossing apartments. Megard was instrumental in the planning process for the development of the intersection at Raymond Ave. and Energy Park Drive.**

do. I made sure that residents have enough information to bring about the changes they identify as important."

"In this neighborhood people listen to each other, they deliberate seriously, and appreciate the power of leadership at the neighborhood level," said Megard. "And the process works. This Council knows how to get things done downtown."

Megard has seen changes in more than just the physical appearance of the neighborhood, though. There is more

community involvement, she said, and more diversity. The stability the neighborhood has shown through the changes it has gone through shows the health of the community, and the ability of residents to work well together, she said.

That level of involvement needs to continue, said Megard, if residents want to maintain the neighborhood. She said the ever-expanding transportation corridors, an increasing crime rate and housing stock in need of attention are issues residents

need to remain aware of. "We're not immune to what happens to the rest of the city," she said.

"I'll miss working closely with the people in this neighborhood," said Megard, adding that she would like to continue working just as closely with residents as a City Council member.

Megard said her work with the Community Council has well prepared her for her run for office. "Politics is the art of the possible," she said. "You compromise and get what you can get."

That doesn't mean accepting defeat easily, though. "One thing I've learned is to not take 'no' for an answer," she said. "That's only the first step, just one piece of information."

The Community Council has mixed feelings about Megard's announcement. "We're sad and a little scared about her not being around," said Councilmember Ellen Watters. "We're excited about the prospect of having someone like Bobbi represent us on the City Council, but her level of commitment is going to be hard to replace."

A committee has been formed to hire a person to fill the position on an interim basis. The committee has collected about 35 applications already, Watters said, and hopes to hire someone soon.

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# Miller Pharmacy helps residents kick the habit

By Michelle Christianson

"Drugs, tobacco, notions..." That used to be the complement of a full-service pharmacy. But do cigarettes really belong in a place filled with products that promote good health?

Bill Perry thinks not, so Miller Pharmacy, 2309 Como Ave. in St. Anthony Park, stopped selling tobacco, cigarettes and other smoking paraphernalia as of January 1.

Miller's joins another area store in that decision: Falcon Heights Pharmacy on Larpen Avenue, stopped selling cigarettes in 1984.

Perry wanted to stop selling cigarettes seven or eight years ago, but his partners didn't agree. "We wanted to leave the choice up to individuals," says Bob Bulger, former co-owner of Miller's. "That was several years ago. I agree wholeheartedly with Bill's choice now; he had a moral obligation to quit selling cigarettes."

He also had an opinion from the community. In June, 1992, Perry ran a ballot in the *Bugle* asking people to vote on the issue. Although only about 30 people voted, the vote was unanimously in favor of removing tobacco products from the store. And since Perry was sole owner as of January, 1992, he could make the decision alone.

Loss of revenue was not an issue. Perry says he had no idea how much money was made on



Photo by Truman Olson

Miller Pharmacy owner Bill Perry decided to stop selling tobacco products as of January 1.

cigarettes each week. "Money was not part of the decision," he says.

"Now with the announcement

about second-hand smoke, I'm doubly glad we did this. It's even more of a danger than asbestos or lead poisoning."

The reaction from customers, even smokers, has been positive. One regular tobacco buyer just shrugged and said, "That's the way it is," according to Carol Haff, the employee in charge of selling and ordering tobacco for many years.

"The day we quit selling cigarettes was one of the greatest days of my life," Haff says. "I know how bad smoke can be. I have bronchial problems and my husband is a smoker. In the winter when everything is closed up and he's inside all the time, I have a lot of trouble."

"I won't miss the underage kids who get nasty and swear at me

when I won't sell them cigarettes, either. It's a relief all the way around."

Haff estimates Miller's sold only about four or five cartons a month recently. They didn't stock every brand, just the ones they knew certain customers wanted.

Bill Bulger is one of those long-time customers who smokes. How does he feel about the decision? "It doesn't really matter—there are plenty of other places to buy cigarettes. It's a good idea. Actually, I've been thinking about quitting."

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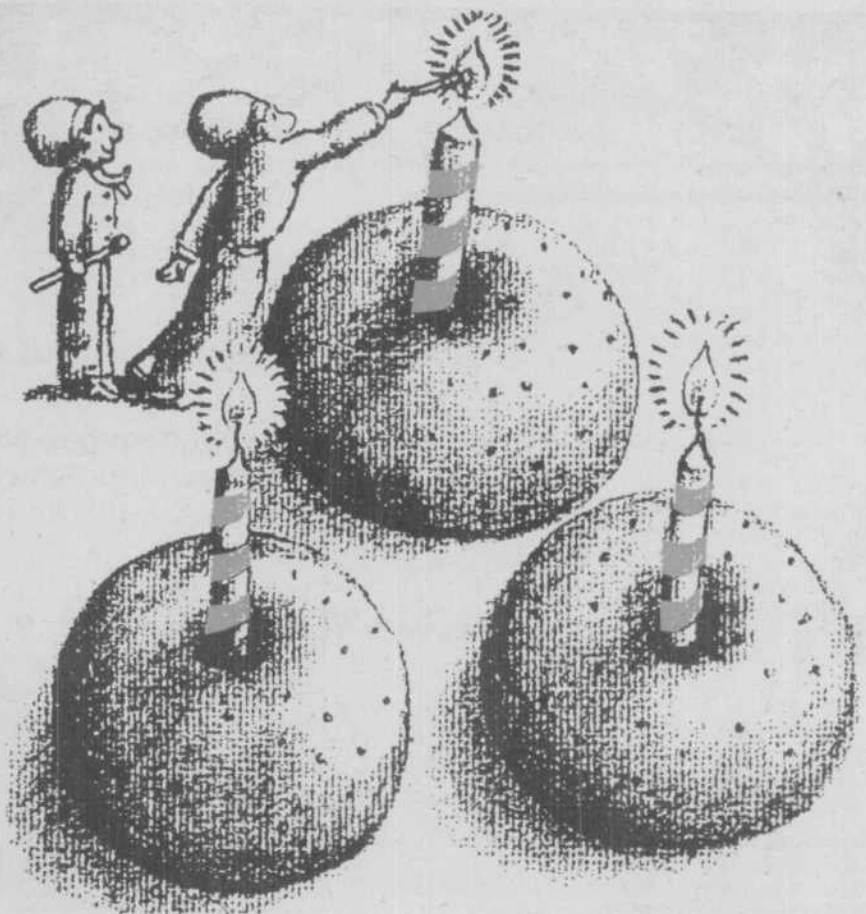
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# Editorial

## Good Morning, Americans

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Good morning.

- Maya Angelou, 1/20/93  
"On the Pulse of Morning"

January's inaugural events took on a different tone than most. An African-American poet addressing the crowd, a gay and lesbian band marching in the parade, and rock 'n' roll at every turn set the stage for what President Clinton promised would be "A spring...that brings forth the vision and courage to reinvent America." President Clinton set a precedent on his first day in office, one which it is now up to the American people to force him to live up to.

The inclusiveness at the celebration was inspiring. Even if Clinton doesn't make all the changes he promised during his campaign, he has already managed to change the way most of us see our country. Though the vast majority of the "powers that be" are still painfully unrepresentative of the general population, Clinton has shown good intentions in trying to hear the voices of the under-represented.

Clinton began his term in office by challenging Americans to act on the changes they want to see in the country. The challenge comes at a time of growing displeasure with the business as usual tactics of government, so one would expect the challenge to be met gladly with a plethora of new ideas, new commitments, and new actions from Americans. But it also comes at a time when more and more people find themselves having to spend more time simply maintaining their own lives, and having less time to give for such challenges. The people with the time and the resources available to them, those for whom the system is already working well, remain the ones with easy access to the government, and those overwhelmed with their own day-to-day struggles are still not heard from.

Clinton must recognize this dichotomy and understand that while his call for action is well taken and will be met by many, it will not absolve him of the enormous responsibility with which voters have entrusted him. If he truly wants to right the wrongs facing the vast majority of the public, Clinton needs to maintain the level of diversity he accomplished on January 20. Not just in the performers he likes best, but in the people he turns to for ideas and vision.

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## Letters

### Nothing wrong with reporting the news like it is

To the editor,

I'm calling to say I support your handling of the incident at Gatsby's. I think it was proper that you simply reported Ms. Montpetit's version or view or interpretation of events and that you didn't editorialize within the news story. I think it's perfectly proper for you to editorialize on the editorial page, as you did. It's too bad some people want you to report their version of the world instead of just reporting the way the world actually is.

John Masengarb

### Empower the differently abled

Dear editor,

For many people, the new year signifies change. As evidenced by our age-old tradition of making New Year's resolutions, we consistently desire to better our selves, our careers, our lives. For one group of Minnesotans, however, certain lifestyle changes do not come from within, but rather hinge on the decisions of others. These are the adults with developmental disabilities who live in state-run Regional Treatment Centers (RTCs). The decisions about their lives will be made by government policy makers.

The number of RTC resi-

dents has dropped from more than 5,000 in 1980 to less than 1,000 today. Many people who previously were thought "unable to adapt to community living" are now thriving as contributors to their communities.

Minnesota's adults with developmental disabilities are not able to choose the lifestyle that best suits them. Right now, their choice is simple: they go where the funding is. A disproportionate share of taxpayers' money continues to flow into the state hospitals to keep them open and to retain jobs. A reallocation of resources, in which funding follows individuals who leave the RTCs, would more effectively and efficiently use taxpayer dollars. More

importantly, it would give consumers the ability to choose and pay for services most appropriate to them and promote their participation in the community.

It's time to promote independence, not dependence for Minnesota's developmentally disabled citizens. It's time to empower this group. This begins when Minnesota's policy makers reexamine a funding system that no longer works. How's that for a New Year's resolution?

Jerry Nelson

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## Mid Town Planning Group tackles concerns that cross city lines

By Winton Pitcoff

Residents and community leaders from the St. Anthony Park and Merriam Park neighborhoods of St. Paul and the Prospect Park and Como neighborhoods of Minneapolis have joined to form the Mid Town Planning Group (MTPG), a coalition working "to advocate public policies beneficial to our long-term survival."

The group has identified four priorities for the revitalization of the area: transportation, pollution, economic development and livability.

Transportation is a focus for the group largely because of I-94 and TH 280, two freeways that run through the area, the possibility of Light Rail Transit being built and the Burlington Northern Intermodal Freight Yard, which has been proposed for the St. Anthony Park and Prospect Park neighborhoods. The group identified pollution, traffic congestion, and petroleum depletion as the three main problems they see with the current development.

John Jamison, a representative of the Prospect Park neighborhood, presented the group's goals around transportation issues at a January 16 meeting. MTPG is working toward improving citizen participation in long

range planning of transportation issues, Jamison said, and wants to increase emphasis on mass transit, bicycle, and pedestrian programs.

Susan Rohde, a member of the Prospect Park Improvement Association, spoke for the group on the issue of pollution. Forty-three sites that the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency has identified as contaminated or highly suspect are located in the four-neighborhood area. Rohde said the group plans to work to find some form of financing to expedite cleanup and redevelopment of those sites.

The group's concerns about economic development are closely linked to those about pollution, said Mat Hollinshead, a Merriam Park community activist. Hollinshead repeated the group's concerns about the effects of pollution on land value, and proposed seeking tax increment financing or other means of financing for cleanups and redevelopment projects in the mid town area.

Rohde defined livability as issues of noise, traffic, crime, property values and other factors that affect residents. While the 1500 businesses in the neighborhood are crucial to stability, she said, the needs of the 38,000 residents in the area must be recognized as well.

Rohde said the mid town area has an undeserved reputation as being less livable than other parts of the metro region. The group advocates considering a way to track livability on some sort of scale to give residents and businesses an accurate picture of the neighborhoods.

"If we let our elected representatives see how much we care about our neighborhoods we can really get things done," said Bobbi Megard, former Community Organizer for the St. Anthony Park Community Council. "...[I]nnovative, productive urban revitalization projects are created when public, private and non-profit groups join together."

"The way to really break the gridlock [in government] is to have a lot more input from citizen groups like this one," said State Senator Ellen Anderson.

The group was joined at its January 16 meeting by State Representative Alice Hausman and Senator Anderson, Hennepin County Commissioner Peter McLaughlin, and Minneapolis City Council Members Joan Campbell and Walt Dziedzic. MTPG plans to continue meeting every three months.



Photo by Truman Olson

State Senator John Marty (DFL, Dist. 54) and State Rep. Mary Jo McGuire (DFL, Dist. 54A), held a town meeting on Jan. 16. District 54 includes all of Falcon Heights and Lauderdale.

## Reps. Marty & McGuire hold town meeting

By Winton Pircoff

Lauderdale, Falcon Heights, St. Anthony and Roseville residents attended a town meeting on January 16 with Minnesota State Senator John Marty and Representative Mary Jo McGuire. Marty and McGuire outlined their agendas for this year's legislative session, and residents questioned the legislators on several issues.

Marty, beginning his seventh year in the Senate, sits on the finance division of the Crime Prevention Committee, as well as on the Rules Committee, the Gaming Committee, and the Tax Committee. He also chairs the Ethics and Campaign Reform Committee. McGuire, beginning her third term in the House of Representatives, sits on the Environmental Finance Committee, and the Criminal Justice Finance Committee, as well as the Judiciary and Rules Committees.

Both Marty and McGuire said the most important agenda item in the legislature right now is the projected \$769 million budget shortfall expected this year. Marty explained that committees have been restructured, with each one having a subcommittee to deal with individual finances.

Marty identified two issues that he wants to focus on this year; campaign finance reform and

urban sprawl. He wants to make elections "more fair and more competitive," he said, "with more opportunities for candidates with different views to participate." He also said he wants to work toward reducing large special interest groups' access to legislators.

Marty called urban sprawl an "ongoing problem...with no final answer." He said residents need to recognize that the costs of moving away from the inner city, such as extending infrastructure systems like roads and sewers, end up affecting everybody. "We need to continue developing, but in a reasonable manner."

McGuire said she is working on passing new legislation to curtail the increase in "stalking" in the state. She is also working on drug and alcohol issues, and noted a possible bill which would require the registration of beer kegs, which would make it easier to locate responsible individuals at large parties, especially those involving minors.

McGuire also said she will be working on environmental issues this session, particularly the possibility of merging the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA).

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percent of the residents on each block want to participate.

At the block meetings, volunteer captains are elected to organize and coordinate the Neighborhood Watch activities, and to act as a liaison between homeowners and police. Judy Sabean, a Neighborhood Watch volunteer coordinator and Falcon Heights resident, agrees that there is enthusiasm for the program.

"Everyone who I talked to was always very interested in it," Sabean said. "I think it just brings the neighborhood together."

Though two meetings are required per year, Sabean said, many blocks meet more than twice to have summer block parties or other activities.

"You get to know who your neighbors are," she said. "That's what it's all about—getting to know your neighbors."

Ruettimann said he wants to see another important outcome to the program—a reduction in crime and an increase in the reporting of suspicious activity.

"I think you're going to see a big drop in crime out here, or arrest records go up, one or the other," Ruettimann said. "It's just

going to be an unhealthy place to go if you're going to do a burglary."

For now, crime rates are on the rise in Falcon Heights and Lauderdale, both covered by the Roseville police force. There were 35 burglaries in Falcon Heights in 1992 compared with 23 in 1991. Lauderdale, with exactly half the population of Falcon Heights, had 23 burglaries in 1992 and 19 in 1991.

Of the 35 burglaries in Falcon Heights last year, 17 were residential, 14 were commercial and four occurred in multiple-dwelling buildings. In Lauderdale, six of the 23 burglaries were residential, three were commercial and 14 were multiple-dwelling.

Almost 60 percent of the residential burglaries in Falcon Heights last year involved forced entry. Ruettimann wants that number reduced.

"People are still leaving their doors open," he said. "We've got to eliminate that."

Through Neighborhood Watch, Ruettimann said, residents are sent information on how to reduce crime and they are informed about what crimes have taken place in their neighborhoods. If a specific problem

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the school's students come from areas surrounding St. Anthony Park, and the Park itself has a significant number of renters. Renters and non-residents are two groups that are not known to participate in local politics to the same extent as residents and homeowners, who often feel a more direct impact from any decisions that are made. It was the large opposition of parents and neighbors that succeeded in overruling the building of the lots.

This is not the first time teachers and neighbors have been at odds over the issue. An initial proposal to build a lot on Scudder Street was brought to the community nearly two decades ago, and was met with the same resistance. Initially, the lot was proposed after the new gymnasium was built over an existing lot and a house was removed from the corner of Como Avenue and Scudder Street. It was the removal of this house that created the green space that neighbors vehemently fought to save.

Task Force member Elena Izaksonas lives kitty-corner from the proposed Scudder Street lot, has volunteered at the school, and her children have participated in various school programs over the years. She said she was surprised the lot on Scudder Street was ranked so low because "all of these people were teachers and teacher-sympathizers, and I'm looking around [at the Task Force meeting] and it was inconceivable to me that they couldn't get [enough] support."


As controversy and criticism from residents and parents directed at teachers stemmed from the issue of preserving green space versus teacher's parking convenience, issues such as safety took a back seat. The faculty at the school continued to defend the need for the lots based not only on proximity to the building, but also on the issues of safety (cars have been sideswiped and broken into), and stressed the need for a handicapped space for a student at the school who is in a wheelchair. Izaksonas said she "was not happy with it [the lot] for several reasons. It is not safe to add a row of parking when dealing with buses. I'm fully cognizant of all kinds of issues, the problem is that there are different ways to get handicapped access as opposed to building a lot."

Principal Tom Foster said he was disappointed, but also happy that at least the small lot on Knapp Street will be built.


Foster went on to say that he has received a few complaints from participants in the ElderMentor program that do not want to volunteer during the winter because the lack of nearby parking poses a physical problem for them. "We're disappointed, the nine spot [on Knapp Street] would have been more helpful. I'm gratified though, by quite a few things that happened. The meeting was very organized and everyone stuck to the issues. It didn't get down to accusations. We made a hard go for it, but we did get something. They made it very clear what their objective was—to save green space, and I hear what they're saying." Izaksonas concurred, and said that while some feelings may have been bruised over the last six months, the teachers are respected and held in high esteem by residents.

Foster said he will be working with Patrick Quinn, executive director of Plant Planning and Maintenance, to resolve teacher's concerns about lack of lighting on the school's premises after dark. "We're talking about lighting on the building or on the site," Quinn said. "We haven't done any detailed study on the site. First of all, I have to get a formal request." Quinn added that he felt some residents, parents, and Task Force members had a perception that the district was planning on building the lot only if there was 100 percent support, but added that the district has wanted some residential support and that he felt the situation had been fully explored. Quinn said he doesn't foresee the parking lot as becoming an issue again anytime in the near future.

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## Falcon Heights City Council passes \$5 million 1993 budget

By Daren Hansen

Falcon Heights residents can expect more of the same this year.

The 1993 Falcon Heights budget of \$5,102,388, approved at a Dec. 9 city council meeting, provides for the same level of services as in past years, despite a 3.2 percent increase in the local property tax levy.

The general fund, which covers the general operating expenses of the city and makes up 21 percent of the city's budget, will have a 1993 expenditure budget of \$1,032,038, a decrease of 0.64 percent from 1992.

"Our budget actually is down from last year, rather than up," said City Administrator Susan Hoyt, "so we really haven't expanded our services."

Local property taxes in Falcon Heights will increase this year due to declining interest rates. With lower interest rates, the city receives less revenue from its investments.

"We're essentially trying to

compensate for that loss in interest rates," Hoyt said.

Major projects provided for in the 1993 budget include improvements to the University Grove neighborhood park and Falcon Heights Community Park and street reconstruction in the University Grove and Falcon Woods area. Also, improvements made to city hall this year will bring the building into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The services Falcon Heights will provide in 1993 were determined before the tax levy was calculated, Hoyt said.

"The city prepares its budget based on providing the services that the council feels it should provide to the residents," Hoyt said. "Then the dollars are figured up and the tax levy is out of that."

According to the city budget, the total property tax levy for 1993 is \$390,362, which is \$12,104 more than in 1992.

Though the overall increase in the property tax levy will be 3.2

percent, that figure will vary from site to site. A Falcon Heights home valued in 1992 at \$107,000 paid \$218 in local property taxes. In 1993, disregarding increased home value, that figure will be \$223, an increase of 2.3 percent. The median home value in Falcon Heights is about \$108,000, Hoyt said.

The University of Minnesota's St. Paul campus and the state fairgrounds, which make up two-thirds of Falcon Heights, place an added burden on the tax base because the two properties are non-taxable, said Tom Kelly, Falcon Heights city accountant. Falcon Heights provides services for both properties, he said, and taxpayer money is eventually used to pay for it.

Because Falcon Heights is limited in size, Kelly said, there are few places besides the tax levy from which to squeeze extra money. The local tax levy increase could have been greater, he said, because the state did not mandate a maximum tax increase for 1993, as it has in the past.

Other proposed actions provided for in the 1993 budget include reviewing the city's business zones, adding alley reconstruction to the capital improvements program, seeking out more housing rehabilitation opportunities and increasing communication in the neighborhoods and with businesses.

## Pull-tab sales to benefit youth hockey teams

By Daren Hansen

By unanimous vote, the Falcon Heights City Council on January 13 approved establishment of the city's first charitable gambling operation.

The Roseville Area Youth Hockey Association will open a "pull-tabs" gambling booth at the Falcon Bowl bowling lanes, 1550 W. Larpentour Ave. Lee Borash, president of the association, said the money raised will be used to support the hockey program.

There are currently about 500 youngsters involved in the program, which lasts from September through March, Borash said. Profits from gambling will be used to hold down costs and to buy new hockey equipment.

"We're not trying to become wealthy," Borash said. "Hockey is a very expensive sport."

According to state guidelines, all money raised through charitable gambling must be spent in surrounding communities. New hockey equipment for the association is purchased locally,

Borash said. Pull-tabs is one of five types of charitable gambling allowed by law in Minnesota. Others include bingo, raffles, paddlewheels and tipboards.

The city of Falcon Heights will receive 3 percent of gross receipts from the pull-tabs to cover any costs the city incurs through police and financial services said Susan Hoyt, city administrator. The city will also receive 10 percent of monthly net profits to be put in a fund for community benefit.

Borash hopes to have the operation running by late February and expects to see profits by next winter.

The city council had to approve a premises permit to allow the establishment of the operation, Hoyt said. The hockey association is awaiting final approval from the state.

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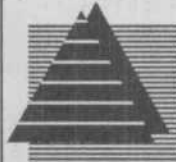
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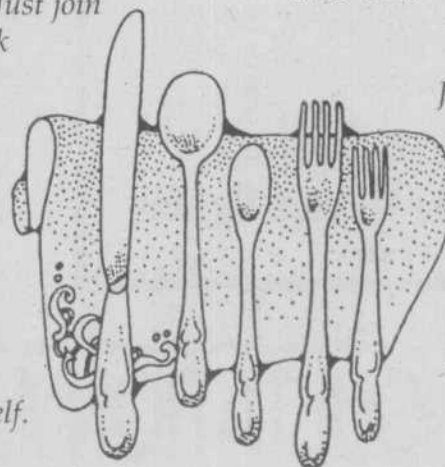
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# School News

## Chelsea Heights Elementary

February is a short but busy month for Chelsea Heights students, teachers and staff. Classes will not be held on President's Day, Feb. 15 or on Feb. 19, which is a teachers' in-service day. Parent-Teacher conferences will begin the evening of Feb. 23 and continue on Feb. 24. Students will have that day off too!

A winter carnival is scheduled on Jan. 29 for all kindergartners and first graders. The children will play outdoor games, skate and have a bottle cap hunt. Prizes will be awarded to the child in each class who finds the most bottle caps hidden in the snow. Fifth and sixth graders will get their day of winter fun skiing at Trollhaugen on Feb. 26. Our physical education teacher, Ms. Hoisser, has organized this field trip to Wisconsin. She and parent volunteers will ski with us that day.

On Feb. 23 certain classes will attend another Ordway production. In January the third, fifth

and sixth graders saw The Sounds of Blackness at the State Theater. This production was in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Many special groups are in full swing. Among these are Junior Great Books and Omnibus. Our school librarian, Mrs. Wilson, is in charge of organizing Junior Great Books. Many parent volunteers are leading small groups of students in both programs. After school math enrichment will begin soon for fifth and sixth grade students.

Hans Grinager

## Falcon Heights Elementary

Students at Falcon Heights Elementary School are having a great year so far!

Fourth, fifth and sixth graders are playing volleyball in gym. Later in the year a sixth grade all-star team will play a staff team. For the last two years the students have won.

The 1992 holiday food drive was a success. Falcon Heights gave 32 bags and boxes of food to the Fairview Food Shelf in Roseville.

On Jan. 29 Falcon Heights PTSA held a winter fun night/back to the '60s event. During the evening parents, teachers and students participated in songs, acts and skits. Falcon Heights school principal Ellen Blank and band instructor Neil Okerlund starred, doing a Sonny and Cher act. Everyone had a great time!

The city of Falcon Heights has flooded our skating rink again. After lunch and during long recesses students can go out to glide and slide.

Catherine Mackiweicz

## St. Anthony Park Elementary

St. Anthony Park students are back after the holidays and they're working hard!

The first graders are sharing their reading skills with the kindergartners. Once a week they go down and read to the kindergarten classes.

The third graders in Miss Swartz's room are studying cowboys and pioneers. There is going to be a cowboy dress-up day. Mrs. Kelly's class is studying about penguins. They are beginning to do research for the reports they are going to be writing.

Fourth grade classes enjoyed

the freshly fallen snow with a sledding outing to College Park. And with the new year, all the fourth grade students have set the goal of receiving a January Independent Reading Award. To accomplish this goal each student will read at least three books and complete one reading project. This means they will have read at least 210 books and earned a total of 70 awards!

Fifth graders have finished the first round of competition in the school spelling bee. Nine fifth graders will have a spell down with the sixth grade to pick the finalists for a district wide spelling bee.

There were several events at school to help celebrate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King.

Each sixth grade class went to the Humphrey Forum at the University of Minnesota for a class called "Discovering Civil Rights." The students learned about the events and people in Civil Rights legislation.

Grades 1-6 attended a performance by The Sounds of Blackness at the State Theater in Minneapolis.

On Feb. 6 there is a district Parent Information Fair. This is a chance for parents in St. Paul to find out about all the different schools and programs.

Kindergarten roundup will be held on Thurs., March 11, at 1:30 p.m. Call the school, 293-8735, for more information.

Berit Griffin

## Central High School

Students at Central are busy finishing up the semester. Finals at Central are held on Jan. 27 and 28. Report cards will be coming out soon after Presidents' Day.

Competency tests will be held at Central in March. A student needs to pass those tests to graduate from high school. Students testing include all freshmen and sophomores, juniors and seniors who have not passed one or more of the four competency tests. Students not testing will have a late start. If students who aren't testing come, they will be given a supervised study.

Kerstin Beyer, a student at Central, will be participating in an exchange program. She will be going to Mora, Sweden from January 28 to the beginning of August. She commented, "I am really looking forward to this new experience of living and going to school in Sweden and learning more about Sweden and its culture."

Brenna Barrett

## Como Park High School

Como Park would like to give a warm welcome to Larry Brown and Mamie Singleton, police officers assigned to Como Park to assist the administrators.

The start of February marks the beginning of second semester at Como Park. On February 2 a Cosisys dinner will be held and on Feb. 4 there will be an athletic meeting.

The parent information fair will be on Feb. 6 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. On Feb. 9, Central's performing arts program will be performing at Como Park for an optional assembly. Feb. 12 is the annual Winterfest Ball.

There will be no school on Feb. 15 because it is Presidents' Day.

Another assembly during February will be on the 18th. This assembly will be by Black Teens for Achievement about the culture of African Americans.

There has been a change of date for the Como Park Showcase. It will now be held on Feb. 25.

Winter sports are long on their way. There are several Como Park students from the Bugle area participating this winter. Boys' basketball players include Nathan Dieterich, Chris Donahoe, Bobby Olson, Matt Ralstin, Adam Seeley and Abayomi Shonoi. Those on the girls' team are Ellie Motevaze, Dannielle Olson and Lonnette Walker. The only members of Como Park's boys' swimming team from this area are Jared Becker and Bucky Hoehler. This year the gymnastics team has quite a few members from this area including Emily Foster, Carin McIntosh, Sarah Reuter, Daniela Sherman and Tracy Sherman.

The returning conference champions wrestlers have had a promising season so far and are currently 4-0. Wrestlers from this area are Kien Bui, Ben Jongeward and Mark Ross.

Como's hockey team won, once again, the Rice Street Cup on Jan. 15 against St. Bernards/St. Agnes. Members of the hockey teams at Como are Peter Avoles, Glenn Davis, Niles Deneen, Ben Doratt, Bradley Johnson, Brian Kirchner, Jeremy Kirchner, Dale Martin, Shawn McGinnis, Andy McIntosh, Pat Munkholm, Nicholas Picha, Just Pivec, Thomas Pivec, Shane Plasch, Ben Tressel, Kelly Wynn and Nate Yates.

Naomi Davis

## Murray Junior High

Students at Murray are relieved to know that the first semester is finally coming to an end, but along with the close of a semester come finals, certainly not a favorite.

The geography and spelling bees are over. Winning the geography bee was Lisa Petkovich, with Kit Gallup as the runner up. Jordana Whyte won the spelling bee, followed by David Pojar as the runner up. Congratulations to the winners, as well as everyone who participated.

February is Black History Month, and to honor this occasion the Mixed Blood Theater Company is performing at Murray. They will be performing "Dr. King's Dream" on Feb. 17.

Feb. 8-12 are Sno Daze here at Murray. Many activities will be held, including an awards assembly, and a dance at the end of the week.

A showcase open house will be held by 6th graders on Feb. 9. Sixth graders can come look around at things at Murray.

Another garage sale is coming up on April 24. Start saving your old things. Donations will be taken soon.

Emily Foster




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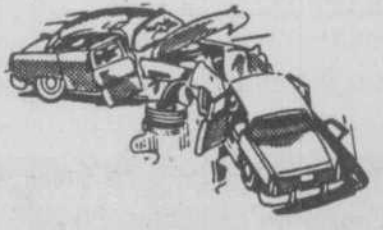
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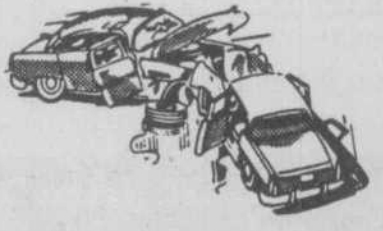
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### School information fair

The fifth annual parent information fair will showcase schools and programs offered within St. Paul Public Schools and provide information about early childhood, special education, community education and lifelong learning opportunities.

The fair will be held at St. Paul Technical College, 234 Marshall Ave., on Sat., Feb. 6, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Keynote speaker Joyce Epstein, Director of the Center of Family, Community, School and Child Learning at Johns Hopkins University, will open the event at 9 a.m. From 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., parents are invited to tour school/program exhibits and participate in numerous workshops. Topics covered include preschool availability, choosing an elementary or secondary school, parental involvement and the schools' and families' roles in dealing with diverse

issues. Various workshops will be offered in Hmong, Spanish and Cambodian. Free child care is available.

Preregistration is not necessary. For more information call 293-5162.

### State seeks input on school integration

The public is invited to provide reaction to proposed changes in state Integration and Inclusive Education Rules that address desegregation, integration and cultural isolation in Minnesota schools at a series of meetings to be held throughout the state. The meetings are being held by the Minnesota State Board of Education and the Minnesota Department of Education.

If adopted, changes to the Integration Rule would mean eventual elimination of the part of the rule that currently prohibits districts from having 15 percent more students of color in any school than in the general population of the school district. Districts in the Twin Cities seven-county metro area would work with the Minneapolis and St. Paul school districts in writing a plan to address integration in their districts.

Meetings in the area will be held on Feb. 8, 6-8:30 p.m., at Van Cleve Community Center, 15th Ave. S.E. & Rollins Ave., Minneapolis; Feb. 18, 1-4 p.m., at Kelly Inn, 1-94 and Marion St., St. Paul; and Feb. 23, 2-4:30 p.m., at the Lexington Library, 1080 University Ave., St. Paul. Call 296-6418 for more information.

### School showcases

All St. Paul Public junior and senior high schools will hold open houses during February to showcase their specialty programs. The showcases offer an opportunity for parents and students to learn about secondary specialty programs, meet key personnel and visit the school.

Murray Junior High, a science/math specialty school, will hold its open house on Feb. 9, 7-9 p.m., 2200 Buford Ave. Como Park High School, a business/math/science technology, showcases its programs on Feb. 25, 7 p.m., 740 W. Rose St., while Central High School, a gifted/talented, media communication, performing arts specialty, holds open house on Feb. 18, 7-8:30 p.m., at the school, 275 N. Lexington Pkwy.

## St. Anthony Park Community Council discusses Harmony Gardens proposal

By Vickie Gilmer

The St. Anthony Park Community Council met on Jan. 13 and focused on the controversial proposal to build parking lots at the elementary school (see story on p. 1), and Community Organizer Bobbi Megard's announcement of a leave of absence to run for City Council (see story on p. 3).

Other topics discussed by the council included the Harmony Proposal which is a metro-wide project that began as a series of musical concerts geared to bring together people of different classes and races. The project has proved successful and is growing. A Harmony Gardens project is starting in Minneapolis where vacant lots are subsidized and planted with trees and other vegetation. Other projects include home renovation and more arts benefits. The Harmony Proposal was introduced in hopes of council endorsement and to seek more participation in the Park area.

The council was asked to invite Hope Melton from the Planning

and Economic Development (PED) branch in the mayor's office to present the mayor's citywide report on St. Paul residents' views of poverty and racism in their neighborhoods. The report, titled "Voices of Pain and Hope" contains research done by PED. Melton will present the results of the report at the February council meeting.

The Physical Planning Committee report has some initial recommendations which will be included in the CIB program proposal to be submitted to the city by Feb. 12. Some of the recommendations include a bike path, restoration of the Langford Park

bandshell and handicapped parking at the library. None of the recommendations were secured for proposal.

The council reported that the fund drive exceeded its goal. Many residents and local merchants donated money totaling \$5,514. The goal was to raise \$5,000.

Once again the St. Anthony Park Christmas tree recycling program was a huge success with residents volunteering to help in the cleanup. More than 700 trees were picked up for recycling.

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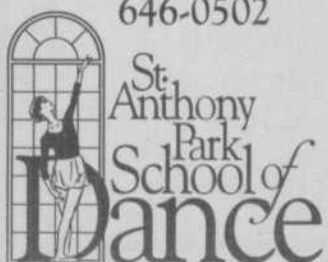
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### La Leche league to meet

Discussion on many aspects of baby care—from pregnancy and childbirth to how to manage those first weeks at home with a new baby—will be presented at the February 23 meeting of the Como-Midway La Leche League. Meeting time is 7 p.m. For location and information call Kathy at 645-4953 or Jeanne at 644-0302.

In addition to information and mother-to-mother support, the group has an extensive lending library of books on childbirth, breastfeeding, parenting and nutrition.

### Tom Thumb store robbery suspect arrested

The Tom Thumb store at 1546 Como Avenue was robbed on Sun., Jan. 10, at around 7 a.m., but police nabbed the suspect minutes later.

Shortly after the robbery, during which the man put what the clerk believed was a gun to the clerk's back, a police officer monitoring a radio report observed a man matching the suspect's description driving south on Lexington Parkway. He gave chase, and after the suspect's car struck another car in the 1000 block of Blair Ave., the suspect fled and eventually was subdued by a police dog. When the suspect was returned to the accident scene, the store clerk identified him as the robber. A Tom Thumb bag containing \$185 was recovered from the suspect, a 22-year-old St. Paul man.

### Free tax help

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) will provide free tax assistance for elderly and low-income persons at Lyngblomsten Community Senior Center, 1415 Almond Ave., from Feb. 2-April 14 on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 9 a.m. & 2 p.m.

Call 647-4664 from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon.-Fri., for an appointment.

### Senior driver improvement

AAA's Senior Driver Improvement Program qualifies those age 55 and over for a 10 percent reduction in their auto insurance premiums for three years. The fee is \$20. Register by calling 297-2466.

The class will be offered at Como Park High School, 740 Rose Ave. W., on Feb. 6 & 13 from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and on Feb. 10 & 11, from 6-10 p.m.

## FALCON HEIGHTS

### Driving refresher courses

55-Alive mature driving refresher courses are scheduled Feb. 2 & 3, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., at Falcon Heights City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur Ave. The classes are sponsored by the American Association of Retired Persons and the cost is \$8 per person. Registrations will be taken on Tuesday mornings only from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Call Marge at 644-8204.

### Commission vacancies announced

The city of Falcon Heights currently has vacancies on the Planning Commission and the Human Rights Commission. Residents interested in volunteering to serve on either commission may call city hall, 644-5050, for more

information and an application. Both commissions serve in an advisory capacity to the city council.

## ST. ANTHONY PARK

### Stop the violence

What can ordinary citizens do in their families, neighborhoods, schools and businesses to address the problem of increasing violence? That is what St. Anthony Park residents will gather to discuss on Tues., Feb. 9, from 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Anthony Park Elementary School (6th grade area) in a participatory forum entitled, "Neighborhood Brainstorms: Stop The Bullying." Transportation and child care are available by calling 645-0349 by Feb. 8. A follow-up forum is scheduled for March 11 7 p.m.

This forum is co-sponsored by the St. Anthony Park Community Council and the Neighborhood Anti-Violence Action Forum, with the support of a variety of community organizations, including Children's Home Society, Speedy Market, Keys Restaurant and Hampden Park Foods. Additional funding has been given by the Community and School Prevention and Intervention Initiatives of the State of Minnesota.

### South St. Anthony Rec Center news

South St. Anthony has two candidates in the St. Paul Parks & Recreation Junior Royalty Program: Abayomi Shonoiki and Adebola Shonoiki. These teens will compete on a city-wide level

for 12 royalty titles to reign during the Winter Carnival and throughout the year. Coronation of the Junior Royalty was held on Jan. 27 at the College of St. Catherine.

At the January meeting of the South St. Anthony Recreation Center Booster Club, new officers were elected. New Chairperson is Ardith Duren; Vice-Chair is John Mulhern; Secretary, Ken Holdeman; and Treasurer, Marsha Shonoiki. Residents living in South St. Anthony Park are invited to become active members. The club has 4-5 meetings each year to make recommendations for programming and plan special events.

Several after-school activities will be held for youth ages 6-11 during February. Steve will lead these activities: Gym Games, Tues., 4:30-5:30 p.m.; After School Snacks, Wed., 4:30-5:30 p.m.; \$3; Drawing, Coloring and Painting, Thurs., 4:30-5:30 p.m.

A field trip to the Minnesota History Center is scheduled for Fri., Feb. 19, 12:30-3 p.m. Public school children in grades K-6 do not have school. Parents are encouraged to attend with their children. The fee is \$2. Register by Feb. 12; space is limited.

For information on any of the items listed, call South St. Anthony Rec Center, Mon.-Thurs., 4-8 p.m., at 298-5770.

### Seminary offerings

A four-weekend program for registered nurses, preparing them to work with congregations, begins at Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary Feb. 19-20. The three remaining sessions are offered in March, April and May. The Parish Nurse

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Another vehicle for study at Luther Northwestern is Lay School of Theology courses, where participants explore Christian life and faith by taking informal, non-credit classes. Three courses taught by seminary professors are offered third quarter, which begins March 8: "Faith and Feminism," taught by Mary Knutsen; "Christian Themes in Selected Novels," taught by Kent Johnson; and "Daniel, the Beast, and You: Studies in Apocalyptic," taught by Peter Sethre. Lay School courses are Monday evenings, 7-9 p.m., from March 8-April 5. Call 641-3416 for cost and additional information.

Male and female singers are needed for the choir that sings at the seminary's weekly compline service. The ancient monastic prayer service of compline is offered every Sunday in the Chapel of the Incarnation, Campus Center, at 9 p.m. Along with congregational participation, the service features the choir singing a variety of liturgical music, including Gregorian chants. For information about

participating in the choir, call Bill Beckstrand, 227-5156.

### Local student tops in math

Evan Izaksonas-Smith, son of Woody Smith and Elena Izaksonas, has helped the Saturn School of Tomorrow's Varsity Math Team pull into first place in the East Division of the St. Paul Junior High Math League. Evan is in his third year at the Saturn School of Tomorrow. He has devoted after-school hours to practicing his math skills with the team.

### Language classes at International Institute

The spring session of evening world language classes at the International Institute of Minnesota, 1694 Como Ave., runs from Feb. 1-May 17. Official registration was Jan. 25, but those interested in classes in Chinese, Finnish, French, German, Italian, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish may call 647-0191 to determine course availability.

Classes meet once a week for an hour and a half on either Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday and run for 15 weeks. Cost is \$100.

### Wellington named to Met Council

Steve Wellington is one of six new members appointed to the Metropolitan Council by Governor Arne Carlson. He will serve a four year term ending in Jan., 1997.

Wellington, 43, is a St. Paul real estate developer. He graduated from the Humphrey Institute and has served as a representative to the legislature for the City of St. Paul under former Mayor George Latimer. He has been a member of the Citizens League since 1976. Wellington will represent District 1. He is the only DFLer among the eight council members.

### Cooking classes at Muffuletta

Muffuletta in the Park will offer cooking classes on Sun., Feb. 21 and Sun., March 14, from 7-9 p.m. in the restaurant's kitchen, 2260 Como Avenue. The classes will be taught by Chef Carron Harris. The lesson schedule includes hot and cold appetizers, salads and dressings. Each student will receive hands-on experience in the kitchen and recipes to take home.

Cost is \$20 per person per lesson. For more information, call Harris at 644-9116.

### Brunch at Methodist Church

The women of St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church invite women in the community to be their guests at brunch on Sat., Feb. 6 at 10 a.m.

The program features "Free Spirit," a vocal-instrumental quartet led by Marti Erickson, performing their own songs of family relations, life changes and inspiration. A nursery will be provided. Make reservations by Feb. 2 at the church office, 646-4859.

### St. Anthony Park Merchants and Professionals elect officers

Members of the St. Anthony Park Merchants and Professionals Association (SAPMPA) held their annual meeting on January 6. Members approved some procedural amendments to the organization's bylaws and elected a new Executive Committee. The new SAPMPA Executive Committee is:

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SAPMPA is looking for new members. Those interested should contact Bridget Faricy at 645-2366.

### New bus route celebration

The new 95E busline which connects downtown Minneapolis with downtown St. Paul via Energy Park Drive will be officially dedicated on February 1. Mayor Fraser will ride the bus from downtown Minneapolis to Bandana Square, and Mayor Scheibel will ride the bus to downtown St. Paul.

Residents are invited to participate in the celebration at Bandana Square at 4:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

### LAUDERDALE AND FALCON HEIGHTS

### Newcomers' orientation for senior program

Roseville Area Senior Program offers several activities each month for older residents of Roseville, Lauderdale and Falcon Heights. A wide range of events and services including men's and women's breakfasts, book clubs, country line dancing, movies, investment forums, concerts and tax assistance are scheduled.

On the first Wednesday of each month, an orientation/open house is conducted for newcomers wanting information about all aspects of the Senior Program. The next orientation is on Feb. 3 at 10 a.m. at Fairview Community Center, 1910 W. County Road B., in Roseville. There will be a tour of center facilities. Coffee and rolls will be available. Call 633-3996 for a reservation.

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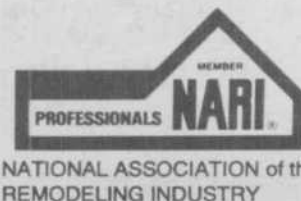
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Performing with The Lyra Concert on Sat., Feb. 8, at 8 p.m., will be Barbara Weiss, fortepiano; Paul Jacobson, flute; and Rebecca Humphrey, cello. The location for the concert will be the Campus Center at Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary, Hendon Ave. at Fulham St.

future. A specially-designed corporate interior will be the focal point of the exhibition.

The opening reception is Sun., Feb. 7, from 2-4 p.m. **Interior Design: The Evolution of a Profession** runs through April 4 at the gallery in McNeil Hall on the St. Paul campus of the University of Minnesota. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Mon.-Fri.; 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Thurs.; 1:30-4:30 p.m., Sat. & Sun.

Among the exhibits at the **Larson Gallery** in the University of Minnesota St. Paul Campus Student Center is "Visions of Afro-American Life," running Feb. 7-March 12. Opening reception is Wed., Feb. 10 from 1:30-4 p.m. Gallery hours are Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Wed., 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sun., 1-5 p.m. Call 625-0214 for more information.

The exhibit, **One of a Kind Wearables** by Nancy Mackenzie by Erica Rasmussen, continues through Feb. 15 at the **Raymond Avenue Gallery**, 761 Raymond Ave. Gallery hours are Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Applications for the 24th annual **Arts & Crafts Fair**, set for Sat., June 5, are now available at the St. Anthony Park Branch Library. The art fair takes place on the library grounds, 2245 Como Ave., with proceeds benefiting the library. Applications are due May 15.

Postmarked date of the application is considered in assigning space on the library grounds. The fee for a space no larger than 6' by 6' is \$25; fee for a space no larger than 12' by 12' is \$50.

Last year's art fair attracted more than 100 exhibitors. Applicants are asked to submit slides or photos of their work and to affirm in writing that the work to be displayed is handmade by the exhibitor or their family members.

## Music

The **Lyra Concert**, the Twin Cities' period-instrument orchestra, presents **Music for the Chamber**, on Sat., Feb. 6, 8 p.m., at Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary's Chapel of the Incarnation in the Campus Center, Hendon Ave. at Fulham St. Featured will be Rebecca Humphrey, cello; Paul Jacobson, flute; and Barbara Weiss, fortepiano. The program includes works by Haydn, Beethoven, Schubert and Reicha.

Lyra performs only on original instruments or replicas and always in a style appropriate to

the music. Its music director is Randy Bourne.

Tickets are available at the door for \$14; or \$12 for students, seniors or public radio members. Call 292-1899 for special group discounts or further information.

Folk musicians **Tom Paxton**, **Chuck Suchy** and **Bill Staines** will appear at separate concerts in February. Paxton, political satirist, singer/songwriter and commentator, will appear on Fri., Feb. 5, 8 p.m. at the Northstar Ballroom. Chris Miller will open for him. Suchy will perform Fri., Feb. 12 at 8 p.m. at the St. Paul Student Center Theatre. Staines' concert will be Fri., Feb. 27, 7:30 p.m., in the Northstar Ballroom, with opening performers Curtis & Loretta.

Tickets, sold at Union Station, are \$8-\$10; student tickets \$1 off. Call 625-9794 for more information.



Byron Stripling

**Music in the Park Series** presents trumpet virtuoso **Byron Stripling** in **Jazz—A Love Affair**, on Sun., Feb. 21, 4 p.m., at St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 2129 Commonwealth Ave. This is the second annual memorial performance for prominent Minnesotan, long-time St. Anthony Park resident and jazz aficionado, Gus Donhowe.

Appearing with Stripling, a St. Paul native, will be Jimmy Hamilton, piano; Gary Raynor, bass; and Phil Hey, drums. The program will include selections by Dizzy Gillespie, Miles Davis and Louis Armstrong, in addition to original compositions by Stripling. Stripling explores and comments on his own experiences as a jazz musician and how the lifestyle has affected his relationships. He also shares his thoughts and perceptions on how his relationship to his instrument is in many ways a good model for relationships with individuals.

Stripling's solo credits include featured guest artist with the Boston Pops Orchestra and work with the famed big bands of Count Basie, Woody Herman, Dizzy Gillespie, Lionel Hampton and Clark Terry, among others. In 1987 he was chosen to play the title role in the musical "Satchmo: America's Musical Legend."

Tickets are \$10 at the door; \$9 in advance from The Bibelot Shop and Micawber's Bookstore. Call 644-4234.

## Literature

The **St. Anthony Park Writers' Workshop** will meet on Tues., Feb. 2, 7:30 p.m., at St. Anthony Park Library, 2245 Como Ave.

The book **A Cup of Christmas Tea** by Twin Cities' author Tom Hegg, illustrated by St. Anthony Park artist **Warren Hanson**, climbed into the top ten of the *New York Times* bestseller list during the holiday season.

The **9th Annual Native American Storytelling** event takes place on Fri., Feb. 5 at 7 p.m. in the Minnesota Commons and St. Paul Student Center on the University of Minnesota's St. Paul Campus. This free event will present regional storytellers for children and adults.

The **Center for Arts Criticism**, headquartered in South St. Anthony Park, invites neighbors to a brown-bag luncheon discussion with KFAI-FM popular culture radio critic and cultural historian **Laura Weber**, who will talk about klezmer music and the secular culture of Eastern European Jews on Fri., Feb. 12, from noon-1:30 p.m. at the Center's office. The Center is at 2402 University Ave. on the second floor of the Chittenden-Eastman building. Call 644-5501 to make a reservation.

Weber's visit to the Center is part of an occasional program called "Reports from the Field," for which the Center invites national or Minnesota writers to talk about a lively topic of particular interest.

## Drama

The British comedy, **Absent Friends**, by Alan Ayckbourn, will be presented from Feb. 19 to March 6 by **Punchinello Players**—the second play in the group's 78th season. All performances are at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday evenings, with an additional Thursday performance the last week of the run, at North Hall, behind the St. Paul Campus Student Center at the University of Minnesota. Tickets at the door are \$5 for adults; \$4 for students and seniors.

## Film

On Fri., Feb. 19, 7-9 p.m., the **St. Anthony Park Branch Library Association** will present its annual "Old Time Movies" in the library community room. The movies feature Charlie Chaplin, Laurel and Hardy, Our Gang, the Marx Brothers, and more. Dr. Paul Murphy will play the piano for the silent films. Scott Heiderich will again be the projectionist, and librarian Marti Lybeck is choosing the films.

There is no admission charge. To help patrons experience an evening of old-fashioned fun, bags of popcorn and cups of soft drinks will be sold for 10¢ each.



## Political campaign financing up for discussion in St. Paul

By Jane McClure  
Neighborhood News Service

St. Paul's mayoral and City Council elections are months away. The political conventions and the all-important party endorsements aren't on the calendar until spring.

But for those seeking office, raising the funds to support campaigns is an activity that cannot start too soon. Letters seeking financial support as well as invitations to fundraisers may now be lying in a mailbox near you.

Instead of raising funds, one City Council member is trying to set limits on how much money can be raised by city office candidates. Ward Three City Council Member Bob Long admits that his may be an uphill battle, especially since he is trying to have the measure passed before the next city election.

Because Long isn't seeking reelection to his City Council seat this fall, some may question his interest in a campaign financing proposal. However, Long has been trying to push through

some sort of campaign finance limit since 1989. Campaign financing has also been studied at length by a citizen committee. But that effort and a draft report stalled when a budget cut forced the layoff of the city staff member working on the committee's report.

On Feb. 4, the City Council will hold a public hearing on a proposal to limit donations that an individual or a political action committee (PAC) can give a candidate in one year. St. Paul currently has no local campaign contribution limits in place; such a measure was repealed by the City Council in 1985.

The current proposal represents a compromise. In an election year, Long had proposed donation limits of no more than \$500 for mayoral candidates, and \$250 for City Council candidates. In off years, he'd proposed donation limits of \$250 for mayoral candidates and \$100 for City Council hopefuls.

The compromise before the City Council Feb. 4 calls for a limit of \$1,500 for donations to

mayoral candidates during an election year, and \$1,000 to City Council candidates. In off-years, the limit would be \$500 for mayoral candidates and \$350 for city council candidates. Those limits are based in part on the maximum contributions that can be given to Minnesota Senate and House candidates, taking into mind the fact that a City Council ward is smaller than a Senate district but larger than a House district.

Long said he believes he has a slim majority of votes to pass the campaign finance limits. His proposal also has the support of Mayor Jim Scheibel.

Campaign financing is already an issue for the Minnesota Legislature, which is expected to consider a number of proposals in the weeks ahead. Gov. Arne Carlson is also calling for reforms in campaign financing.

Several time-honored state campaign financing practices have been targeted by the governor, including:

- Ending state campaign or publicly financed subsidies for

unopposed candidates. Last fall, 11 legislators collected a total of \$65,000 in state money for their campaign. Carlson has support in this effort from the Citizens League, Ethical Practices Board and Common Cause.

- Dumping the tax refund program that grants campaign contributors a 100 percent payback of that contribution—at state taxpayers' expense. The program allows donors to receive refunds of up to \$50 for individuals and \$100 for couples. It is expected to cost the state \$3 million in 1992.

- Banning the practice of transferring campaign funds to other candidates as a way to circumvent campaign contribution limits. Some state legislators use their campaign largess to set up their own political action committees—which can then support less well-heeled candidates. This scheme has been criticized because it allows these PACs to accept unlimited donations from special interests. It also creates a situation for legislative leaders to rack up political IOUs from colleagues.

Legislators are proposing financing curbs of their own, with most of the possible bills centering on dollar limits on donations a candidate may receive from a PAC or an individual. One of the most stringent measures, proposed by Sen. John Marty, sets a \$100 maximum contribution limit, for all candidates.

Long predicts that some of these measures could pass in 1993, although he notes that compromises are more likely than a vote for the most stringent limits proposed.

He also notes that state-approved campaign financing limits for local government offices are likely if cities and counties don't act on their own. One delay in St. Paul's adoption of campaign finance limits was a request that the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners consider adopting similar limits.

Long questions whether state-imposed spending guidelines for all cities and counties would be fair. "What we've argued is that it's not good policy to treat St. Paul election contributions the same way you'd treat contributions for a campaign in Babbitt," he said.

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# Adios, Amigo

By Lee Ann Owens

The new year found one less orangutan at Como Zoo. Amigo, a 350-pound, 22-year-old male, died on Dec. 30.

An unexpected victim of pulmonary thrombosis, Amigo died from blood clots in his lungs.

"We didn't know. It wasn't something you could tell just by looking at him," said Victor Camp, zoo director.

The zookeepers remember Amigo as the orangutan with a placid personality. "He was a real gentleman. You could feed him, and he would never grab or bite at you. He was the best. We'll miss him," Ed Moret, Como zookeeper said.

Amigo was the oldest of eight orangutans at Como Zoo. He was



Amigo, a favorite orangutan at Como Zoo, died in December.

born at the Toledo Zoo in Ohio and moved to Como in 1984. "He was basically healthy the whole time," Moret said.

The zoo plans to replace Amigo with another male orangutan who will participate in a new breeding program. The orangutan will be involved in a species survival plan devised to help preserve great apes, according to Camp.

Orangutans are an endangered species and have an average life span of just over 30 years. Few zoos breed orangutans successfully. Como's orangutans are hybrids between the subspecies of Bornans and Sumatras. Amigo had four offspring: Carlo, Sherman, Teak and Amber.

Amigo was kind to everyone except female orangutans. "He was a little rough with the ladies," Moret said.

The young male orangutans could climb all over Amigo. He would ignore their play, which is unusually tolerant for orangutans, according to Lala Byng, Como zookeeper.

Some of the other orangutans like to perform for zoo visitors, but Amigo did not. "He was kind of shy. He didn't like to show off. He liked to stay in the background. He'd hide and avoid the crowds," said zookeeper Jim Hauge.

Amigo had a distinctive, mature, Buddha-like look. "What was so impressive is he had those huge pouches and phalanges—the old man of the forest," Hauge said.

Before the biggest daily meal, Amigo would press his hands and face along his cage, gliding back and forth. The zookeepers called this rhythmic motion "the Amigo shuffle." The evening meal contains more of orangutans' favorite foods, including different fruits. The animals are more likely to cooperate at the end of the day and leave their exhibit with a large food reward as incentive. The orangutans are placed in holding cages every evening so the zookeepers can clean their exhibit.

Some postcards of Amigo still remain in the Como Zoo gift shop. But even after they are gone, Amigo will retain a strong image among the zookeepers—as a friend.

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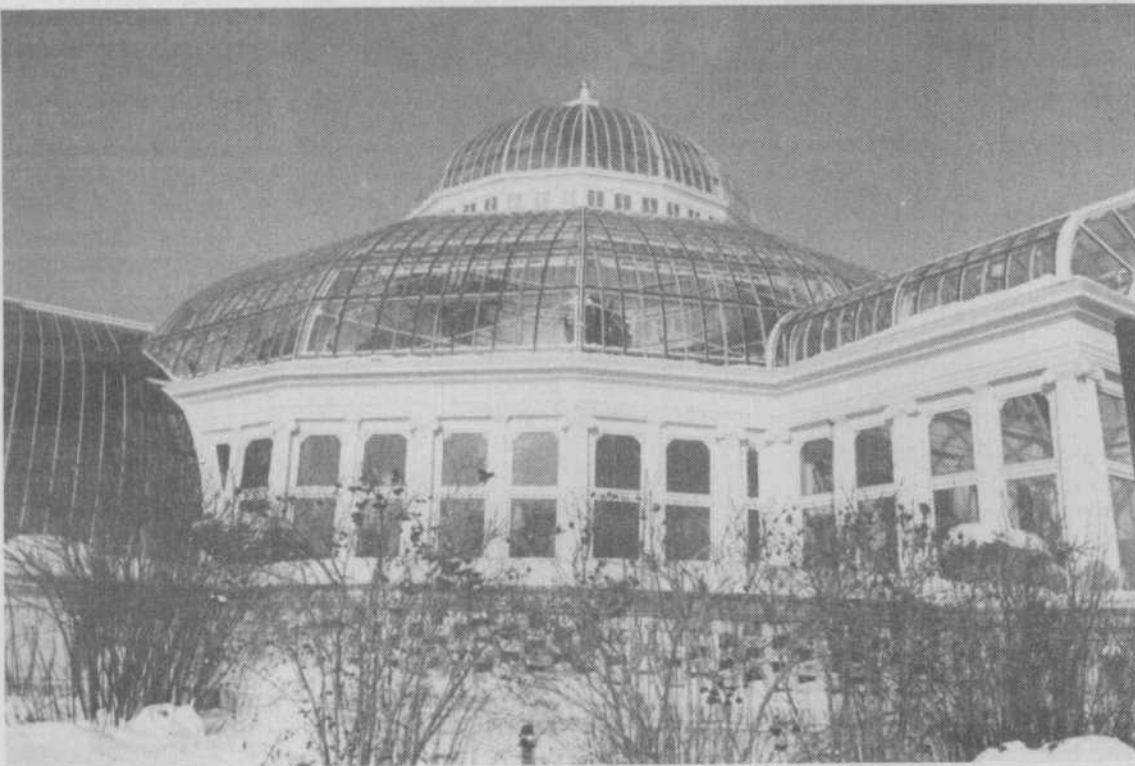


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Como Conservatory's glass dome has been completely replaced. The inside has been redone, except for the fern room.

## Como Conservatory renovation nearly complete

By Lee Ann Owens

Things are opening up in full bloom at the Como Park Conservatory this winter, right down through the building's infrastructure.

January marked the completion of the sixth phase of a restoration project started in 1985. The conservatory, built in 1914, has retained its original old-fashioned Victorian charm even with modern materials.

The palm dome has been rebuilt with double pane glass, and for the first time in two years the main entry room is open for public use. "All the scaffolding is gone, and people are able to use the entire palm house center area," said Bill Pesek, St. Paul city landscape architect.

The dome and vestibule were in need of structural repair. Occasionally, rain even leaked through the old glass dome, according to Pesek.

Plans to reconstruct the design of the conservatory, which is on the National Register of Historic Places, first began in 1978. "We saw the building getting pretty creaky. It's just a wonderful cultural resource. It's just something that had to be saved," said Len Hallgren, a Como Park Con-

servatory volunteer for over 27 years.

Hallgren, as a chairperson of the Como Park Conservatory advisory committee, saw the reconstruction plans develop. "There's a lot the public doesn't see that went into this," he said.

Funding for the project was provided by the Metropolitan Council's parks and open spaces program, Como Conservatory Restoration Fund and the City of St. Paul's capital improvement bond program.

To commemorate the reconstruction project's completion, an opening ceremony is tentatively scheduled for spring. First the conservatory will complete a general cleanup of building material buried under the snow, probably in March when the ground is clear, according to Pesek.

Only the fern room remains closed. "The fern room needs to be completely renovated and made handicapped accessible," Pesek said. Completion of the fern room is dependent on continuing fundraising efforts.

Since the completion of construction on the dome, vestibule, and men's and women's

restrooms, some of the conservatory's "regulars" are starting to visit again, according to Christy Comstock, refectory attendant.

"They [the regulars] park out front and come here for work breaks. We didn't have as many regulars with the entrance in the back by the zoo," Comstock said, although having the temporary entrance by the zoo's main gate led some zoo visitors into the conservatory for the first time, she added.

Over 900,000 people visit the conservatory annually, but with construction now close to complete, even more visitors may come to view the lush, floral grandeur of Como Park Conservatory under the light of a new glass dome. Como's tropical plants have a new place in the sun.

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## Candidates from 1

seat had been announced.

Here's an overview of the candidate field:

**Bobbi Megard:** Saying she feels she "can be most effective downtown," Megard hopes to bring her knowledge of the area's many pressing issues to City Hall.

Megard has been St. Anthony Park Community Council Community Organizer for eight years, making her one of the veteran organizers in the city. While saying she has enjoyed that work, Megard also notes it may be time to seek a new challenge. She has taken a leave from her District 12

duties.

As a community organizer, Megard has been active in city-wide efforts, as well as neighborhood programs and issues. Community organizers and the councils they work with have become more visible in recent years, on a number of issues. Most recently, council representatives lobbied on behalf of city support of district councils, saying the councils are a cost-effective means of serving citizens.

Megard places her belief in caring communities, and the need to preserve those communities, at the top of her neighborhood agenda. Another issue she points to is the rising incidence of crime. "We as citizens are feeling

that it is a little bit out of control," she said.

Deterioration of housing stock, and preventing that deterioration, is a third issue. Neighborhood stability is a fourth issue, made more critical by last fall's defeat of an excess levy referendum for the St. Paul Public Schools. While the referendum itself isn't a City Council issue per se, its impacts are felt city-wide.

"If we're not able to maintain confidence in our schools, we stand to lose a lot," Megard said.

Yet another concern she raises is for the City Council to focus more on long-range issues.

Megard lives in St. Anthony Park. She headed the panel that screened candidates for St. Paul Police Chief last year. She also chairs Ramsey County's Jail Facilities Committee. In the past, she worked as a teacher in the Minneapolis Public Schools.

**Triesta Brown:** "One of the things I hear over and over again is that people don't feel connected to government," the longtime Hamline area activist said. She contends that voters are "yearning for a neighbor, instead of a traditional political type."

"I believe that my neighbors are right when they say that they want stable neighborhoods, a reasonable level of city services at a price they can afford and a government that responds to their concerns," she said. Safe neighborhoods, economic opportunity, job creation, community facilities and attractive, affordable housing are among the major issues Brown has identified.

Brown, a former Hamline-Midway Coalition Board member, has been a member of task forces on light rail transit, Hamline Park Townhomes and Midway Marketplace/Midway Center redevelopment. She is on the city's Long-Range Capital Improvement Budget Committee, the Hamline Park Planners, the Hamline Branch Library Associa-

tion and the Nokomis Montessori Magnet Parent Teacher Association. She also chairs the Senate District 66B House Club.

**Carol Faricy:** "I'm running because I honestly think I can bring a balance to the City Council," she said. Faricy cites her experiences as owner of a public relations and fundraising firm, and service on the Regional Transit Board and Metropolitan Transit Commission, as assets. When she chaired the MTC, Faricy steered the organization through its most comprehensive restructuring in 20 years.

The latter effort has given her valuable insight into how public policy can work—and what happens when it doesn't. "I've really learned the give and take of policy-making," she said.

Faricy, who lives in the Macalester-Groveland neighborhood, is also campaigning on the need to build strong relationships with all elected officials at the various levels of government. "If we all get together, we can determine a common direction for our community, and we can turn this city around."

Faricy is known throughout the area for her activities on behalf of women's rights and women's issues, and has been involved with various groups over the years.

**Mat Hollinshead:** While entering his name in an upcoming candidates' forum, Hollinshead is still weighing the pros and cons of a campaign. He runs a computer consulting business.

He is a volunteer in such efforts as the Merriam Park Library Association, Merriam Park Community Council, Friends of the St. Paul Library Advocacy Committee and the Merriam Park Post newspaper. He is also active with University UNITED and the Selby-Snelling Business Association. He was a leader in efforts against a part-time City Council.

"I continue to be urged to run, and I continue to explore a candidacy," Hollinshead said. But he

added that he must look at his other commitments before making a decision.

**Mitch Lancman:** Lancman admits that his candidacy may be a long shot. But then, he noted that recent political history has been kind to longshots.

Lancman, who lives in the Snelling-Hamline neighborhood, is a member of the community council there. One of the top issues he sees the ward and city facing is property tax relief. He is at work on a proposal to address that issue.

For Lancman, a major issue for Ward Four residents may be at the end of his block. If the long-delayed Ayd Mill Road project is built, its connection to Interstate 94 will cut right through Snelling Park. Neighborhood residents are suggesting that Ayd Mill Road be converted to a parkway, or even a park.

Fifth Ward Councilmember Janice Rettman has not officially declared her candidacy, but says she does intend to run again this year. No challengers have announced candidacies in the Fifth Ward.

Ward Four Precinct Caucuses will be held on February 23 at Ramsey Jr. High School at 1700 Summit Ave. at 7:30 p.m. Fifth Ward Caucuses will be held at the same time at the North End Multi Service Center at 1021 Marion Street. The nominating convention for the Fourth Ward will be on April 24th; no site has been determined yet. The Fifth Ward convention will be held on April 17 at the North End Multi Service Center.

Races for City Council positions in Falcon Heights and Lauderdale will be held this November as well, but no candidates have announced for either of those races. A Mayoral election will also be held in Lauderdale.



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lution Control Agency (MPCA) hold MNDOT to the strictest standards and not grant any permit waivers on the project.

Hausman said that Representative Tom Osthoff, Chair of the Transportation Committee, has told her a hearing could be set up in February to listen to residents' concerns.

Jim Snoxell, a spokesperson for Citizens Concerned for Habitable Neighborhoods (CCHN), an organization that has been working to oppose 280 expansion, said the proposed legislation is one way the group hopes to get MNDOT to recognize that their plans not only don't provide for

environmental problems, they exacerbate them.

Snoxell said MNDOT has been unwilling to commit to noise barriers on the 280 bridges, citing the difficulty of installing such devices on overpasses. The bridges in question, however, are slated for reconstruction this summer and are being designed in such a way as to prevent the barriers from being installed. Snoxell said that modifications could allow the barriers to be built.

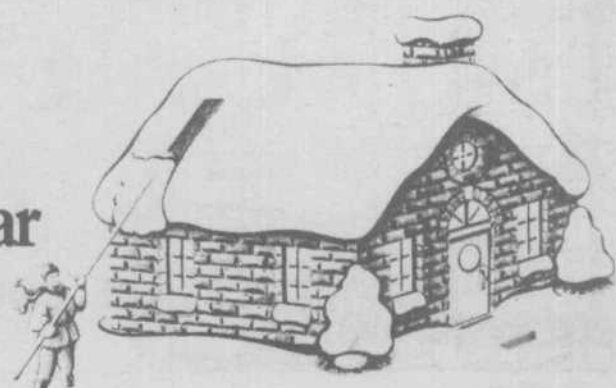
"This is just one step in trying to get residents, MNDOT and the city all together to talk about 280," Snoxell said. "We have tried to work through a number of government units already," he added, but to little avail. MNDOT

has agreed to participate in regular meetings with community members, and even volunteered to set up the meetings, but the January 15 deadline the groups agreed upon for dates to be set passed with no firm plans.

Hearing dates had not been set up at press time, but interested residents may call Representative Hausman's office at 296-3824 for more information.

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# Community Calendar

## JANUARY

### 29 Fri.

No classes, Brimhall Elementary School.

No classes, grades 7-12, St. Paul Public Schools.

Storytimes for young children, St. Anthony Park Library, 2245 Como Ave., 10:30 a.m. Every Fri. through Feb. 26. Registration necessary.

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

### 31 Sun.

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

## FEBRUARY

### 1 Mon.

No classes, Falcon Heights Elementary School.

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.

Brimhall Elementary School PTA, 7 p.m.

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

### 2 Tues.

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

Lauderdale Friends & Neighbors, City Hall, 1-4 p.m.

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.

### 3 Wed.

St. Anthony Park Merchants & Professionals Association general membership meeting, ParkBank community room, 2265 Como Ave., noon.

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

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

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

### 4 Thurs.

Toastmasters, St. Paul Campus North Central Forestry Experimental Station, 11:30 a.m. Every Thurs. Call Mary Barwise, 642-1254. Guests welcome.

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

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

### 5 Fri.

Falcon Heights/Lauderdale recycling day.

No classes, Brimhall Elementary School.

### 6 Sat.

Brunch for women, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 2200 Hillside Ave., 10 a.m.

Open house for Lori Sundelius, Langford Rec Center, 12:30-4 p.m.

### 8 Mon.

Como Park recycling day.

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

Falconers Senior Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 1-3:30 p.m.

Northern Lights 4-H Club, St. Anthony Park Elementary School, 6:45 p.m.

### 9 Tues.

"Neighborhood Brainstorms: Stop The Bullying," St. Anthony Park Elementary School, 7-8:30 p.m.

Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 1891 Walnut, 7:30 p.m.

### 10 Wed.

St. Anthony Park recycling day.

Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 10 a.m. Valentine celebration: Alyce Dahl "Our Valentine to You."

Bookmobile at Hamline & Hoyt, 12:30-5:30 p.m. Also Wed., Feb. 24.

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

St. Anthony Park Community Council, 890 Cromwell, 7:30 p.m.

### 12 Fri.

No classes, Brimhall Elementary School.

Bookmobile at Seal Hi-Rise, 9:30-10:30 p.m. Also Fri., Feb. 26.

International Coffee House, Lutheran Campus Ministry, 1407 N. Cleveland, 7:30 p.m. Stanley Katungwensi, Ugandan folk songs and tales.

### 13 Sat.

Minnesota Mineral Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 7:30 p.m. Annual potluck. Call 757-2066.

### 15 Mon.

No classes, St. Paul Public & Roseville Area Schools. Presidents' day.

### 16 Tues.

No school, Brimhall & Falcon Heights Elementary Schools.

St. Paul Mayoral candidates forum, Sheraton Inn-Midway, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

District 10 Community Council, Como Park Lutheran Church, 1547 Sheldon St. at Hoyt Ave., 7 p.m.

### 17 Wed.

Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 10 a.m. Birthdays. Rev. Mark Kennedy, UCC Church.

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.

### 19 Fri.

Falcon Heights/Lauderdale recycling day.

No school, grades K-6, St. Paul Public Schools.

### 20 Sat.

St. Anthony Park Community Gardens Committee, So. St. Anthony Rec. Center, 890 Cromwell, 10 a.m.

St. Anthony Park Association Progressive Dinner, 5:30 p.m. Call 646-5296.

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

### 22 Mon.

Como Park recycling day.

Falconers 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.

### 23 Tues.

Precinct caucuses, 7:30 p.m. Ward Four: Ramsey Jr. High, 1700 Summit Ave.; Ward Five: North End Multi Service Center, 1021 Marion St.

### 24 Wed.

St. Anthony Park recycling day.

No school, grades K-6, St. Paul Public Schools.

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

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

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

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

### 27 Sat.

Fare SHARE distribution and registration for March, 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.

Items for the March Community Calendar must be submitted to the Bugle office by 6 p.m. Mon., February 15.



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## Obituaries

### Anna Calder

Anna U. Calder, a resident of Lyngblomsten Care Center, died on Dec. 9, 1992. She was 87 years of age.

Calder was a parishioner at Holy Childhood Catholic Church.

Preceded in death by her husband, Charley Calder, Mrs. Calder is survived by her sister Ella Engle; her nieces, Jean Ann Clinton and Mary Calder; and her nephew, Jerry Calder.

### Ruth Dachtera

Ruth N. Dachtera died at age 71 in December, 1992. She was a resident of Falcon Heights.

Dachtera was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Dachtera. She is survived by her daughters Mary Ellen Boyd and Jeanne Smith; her son Craig Dachtera; her grandsons Scott Boyd, Howard Boyd and Timothy Dachtera; her step-granddaughter Laura Scholz; her

step-grandson Michael Smith; and her step-great-granddaughter Taylor Scholz.

### Phyllis Freier

Phyllis Freier, a retired University of Minnesota professor of physics, died on Dec. 18, 1992, at her St. Anthony Park home. She was 71.

Freier was born in Robbinsdale, attended Minneapolis and Robbinsdale schools, and graduated from the University of Minnesota with a degree in mathematics. She did graduate work at the Naval Ordnance Laboratory in Washington, D.C., where she designed torpedoes during World War II. She continued graduate school at the University of Minnesota, where she met her future husband, a fellow graduate student.

She did post-graduate studies under Frank Oppenheimer, a developer of the atomic bomb. Her doctoral thesis documented the presence of heavy nuclei in cosmic rays. This helped to prove the similarity between our solar system and the rest of the galaxy. Despite her accomplishments, she spent 20 years as a

research assistant—barred from the faculty because her husband was a member—before she was awarded a professorship in 1970. She retired in 1988.

Freier is survived by her husband George; her daughter, Susan Freier of San Diego; her son David Freier of St. Paul; one granddaughter; two sisters, Marlys St. Cyr of Maine and Audrey French of Roseville; and a brother, Harry St. Cyr of Florida.

### William Funk, Jr.

William H. Funk, a former principal at Como Park Junior and Senior High Schools, died on Dec. 26, 1992, at 70 years of age. His home was in Highland Park.

Funk graduated in education in 1947 from the College of St. Thomas. He later taught physical education there and coached football, hockey and baseball. He still has the best winning record of any coach in St. Thomas history.

In 1955, he began teaching and coaching in the St. Paul Public Schools. He taught at Humboldt, then served as assistant principal and principal at Como, Washington and Ramsey.

Funk is survived by his wife, Margaret Funk; daughters Margaret Unger, Jane and Treacy Funk; sons, Patrick, Michael, Thomas and James, all of St. Paul; six grandchildren; and a brother Richard Funk of Rochester.

### Penny Graves

Penny Marie Graves died on Dec. 19, 1992, at the age of 66.

She was a resident of Falcon Heights.

She is survived by family and friends.

### Paul Hartley

Paul L. Hartley died at the age of 57 on Dec. 9, 1992. He was a resident of Lauderdale.

Hartley is survived by his sons David Hartley of Lauderdale and Mark Hartley of California; his grandson Joshua Hartley; two sisters Virginia Beaman of Webster, Wis., and Patricia Weaver of White Bear Lake; and several nieces and nephews.

### Jeffrey Mayne

Jeffrey Robert Mayne, a former St. Anthony Park resident, died on Jan. 15, 1993, at 31 years of age. He formerly lived with his parents and siblings on Chelmsford St., while his father was a teacher at St. Anthony Park Elementary School. In recent years he lived in California and in North Branch, Minn.

Preceded in death by his father, Robert Mayne, he is survived by his mother Dolores Fairbanks of North Branch; daughter Rachael; brothers, James, John, Joseph, Jerome and Jacob; and sister Jane Fisk.

### Muriel McCord

Muriel G. McCord died at age 89 on Dec. 14, 1992. She lived in Falcon Heights on Idaho Ave.

McCord was a member of the Rainbow Chapter of Eastern Star #276.

Preceded in death by her husband,

E. Wayne McCord, she is survived by her daughter Mariles Lucking of Stillwater; granddaughters Susan Suarez of Americus, Georgia, and Sharon Baker of Stillwater; great-grandsons Joshua and Justin; stepsons Donald of St. Paul and Bruce of Pasco, Wash.; step-grandchildren Jane, Bradley, and Carey; eight step-great-grandchildren; and three brothers Chester, Roy and George.

### Diana Montgomery

Diana M. Montgomery, who grew up in St. Anthony Park, died in Greenville, Ohio, on Dec. 13, 1992. She was 43.

Montgomery is survived by her parents, Richard and Dorothy Eichman Johnson of St. Anthony Park; her husband, James Montgomery of Greenville; her son Derik Montgomery of Greenville; her daughters, Kari of Albany, New York; Leah of Minneapolis; Kelly Jones of Stillwater, Breanna and Kaelyn, both of Greenville; her brothers Gary Johnson of Buffalo, New York, and Scott Johnson of Burnsville; her sisters Julie Healy of Northfield and Lorrie Sienko of Burnsville; and her grandfather, Samuel Eichman of St. Anthony Park.

### Murray Rosenberg

Dr. Murray D. Rosenberg, Professor of Genetics and Cell Biology at the University of Minnesota, died on Jan. 4, 1993. He was 67 years of age and was a resident of Energy Park.

Rosenberg was a native of Boston. In addition to holding a Ph.D. in physics, he was a physician who helped establish the Free Clinic for the Hispanic community in West St. Paul and a medical clinic in the Ramsey County jail. For the past eight years he was a visiting professor at Brown University.


Survivors include his wife, Dr. Pearl Rosenberg, a former assistant dean of students at the University of Minnesota medical school; a son Dr. Carl Rosenberg of Cleveland; daughters Dr. Lois Rosenberg of Radore, Virginia; and Dr. Sandra Rosenberg of Mendota Heights; six grandchildren; and two sisters, Dr. Lillian Hurwitz of Detroit and Dr. Carolyn Schwartz of Stony Brook, New York.

### Zelda Wolk

Zelda Wolk, a resident of Seal Hi-Rise, died on Dec. 27, 1992, at the age of 70.

Wolk is survived by her daughter and son-in-law Phyllis and Andy Jenks of St. Anthony Park; daughter Sheila Wolk of Minneapolis; grandson Tony Jenks; brother Ben Turman of Phoenix; sister Doris Isenberg of St. Louis Park and many other relatives.


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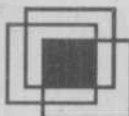
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D & B — you gorgeous guys, I love ya! Mom.  
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Hook, happy Valentine's Day! You codfish. From ??  
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MM: Have a hooooling good Valentine's Day!  
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Tiger Lily and Wendy, have a happy Valentine's Day.  
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Thanks for the cabbage soup, valentine. You're a sweetheart!  
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Happy Valentine's Day to the cast of Peter Pan!  
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Happy Birthday, pancake stuffer!  
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Happy Valentine's Day, Hephaestus. From Aphrodite.  
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J.D. You are my wonderful Valentine. With all my love "RE"  
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Lori Sundelius left her job as director of Langford Recreation Center on Jan. 18. Her replacement is Keith Draz (right).



Photo by Truman Olson

## Lori Sundelius leaves Langford Park Rec Center

By Amy Causton

After nine years of service to the St. Anthony Park community, Lori Sundelius, director of Langford Recreation Center, has left to become director of Edgumbe Recreation Center. She began working there the week of Jan. 18.

Sundelius became involved in community service work early. She grew up in Merriam Park, where her interest in athletics led her to become a volunteer softball coach at age 14. When she was 16, a recreation aide position opened up at Merriam

Park Recreation Center and she got the job.

After a year there, she joined Langford Recreation Center, working first as a recreation aide and recreation leader before being named center director in December, 1988. As director, she was in charge of coordinating numerous athletic activities and classes. Her move to Edgumbe signals a step up, with greater responsibility and more staff.

Sundelius graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1987 with a degree in Elementary Education and a coaching certificate. She says she intended to be a teacher but that her current posi-

tion gives her the best of both worlds, combining her love for kids and athletics. She enjoys her job. "I get to see different people, different settings," she says. "The more low-key atmosphere [of recreation work] is better suited to my style" [than teaching would be].

Her replacement at Langford is Keith Draz, formerly director of Eastview Recreation Center.

There will be an open house at Langford Recreation Center to say goodbye to Sundelius on Sat., Feb. 6, from 12:30-4 p.m.

# St. Anthony Park Community Council

## Council Actions At A Glance

### School parking issues

The January meeting of the St. Anthony Park Community Council was preceded by a Town Meeting on the issue of parking for teachers and visitors at St. Anthony Park Elementary School.

After the Town Meeting the Council discussed the parking issue and the recommendation made by the Parking Lot Task Force. The Council voted to approve several of the recommendations of the Task Force, including construction of a 3-4 car parking lot on the Knapp side of the school. In addition the council recommended construction of a drop-off on East Langford; allowing parking on the school side of West Langford to Knapp Place; making Scudder one-way going south; constructing a sidewalk on East Langford, Knapp and West Langford; and installing lantern-style lighting around Langford.

### C.O. takes leave of absence;

### new crime prevention person sought

In other action the Council voted to accept the leave of absence request of Community Organizer Bobbi Megard. Megard has announced that she is seeking the DFL endorsement for the City Council seat now held by Paula Maccabee. The leave of absence began Jan. 15 and is effective until April 17th at which time Megard will notify the Council of her intention to resign or return to her position.

The Council and neighborhood will greatly miss Bobbi's energy and commitment as C.O. Her tenure at the Council has been long and full of accomplishment. She has had a tremendous impact on the neighborhood through her work on such issues as the U of M Busway, the development at Energy Park Drive and Raymond, University Avenue, College Park and many, many other improvements and safeguards which enhance our quality of life. The council wishes her very well.

# News

A search committee, composed of representatives from the North, South and business delegations of the Council, is reviewing resumes and interviewing candidates for the Community Organizer position and hopes to have an interim organizer hired in early February. The position was advertised in both daily newspapers and last month's Bugle.

The search committee also is reviewing resumes for the Neighborhood Crime Prevention Program coordinator and will work with the St. Anthony Park Association to interview candidates. Ellen Watters, delegate from South St. Anthony Park, is chair of the search committee. Questions regarding either position should be directed to her at 646-8011.

Joan Norris, chore service coordinator and administrative assistant for the Council, is filling in for the C.O. and Crime Prevention Coordinator during this very challenging transition for our neighborhood and Council and we greatly appreciate her hard work and willingness to help out.

## Council elections set

Nominating chairs for each delegation were chosen at the January Council meeting. Elections for the Council are scheduled for April 13. The filing deadline for those interested in running is March 9.

New Council members provide much-needed citizen involvement and input into neighborhood issues and decisions. As an advisory body, the council provides a nonpartisan forum for discussion and decision-making at the neighborhood level. Future months will see the council grapple

with such critical issues as the Burlington Northern Hub, traffic detours impacting the neighborhood because of 280 construction, completion of a Small Area Plan for the University/Franklin Avenue area, and much more.

Individuals interested in participating in their government through the district council should contact the nominating chairs for their area.

Barbara Murdock and Alice Magnuson are nominating chairs for the North delegation which has three delegate and two alternate vacancies. Beth Richardson is the nominating chair for the South Park delegation. South St. Anthony will elect three delegates and two alternates. Warner Shippee is nominating chair for the Midway Chamber delegation.

## Gardens Committee news

Lori Shuster, gardens committee chair, has scheduled an initial garden committee meeting for Sat., Feb. 20. The committee will begin planning the 1993 garden season for the St. Anthony Park Community Gardens located on Robbins St. The committee will meet in the South St. Anthony Park Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, at 10 a.m., to discuss policies, applications, set fees and select a new chair. For more information call Lori at 647-9992 or the council office, 292-7884.

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

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