MURDER IN FALCON HEIGHTS RAISES ISSUES OF DOMESTIC ABUSE

By Amy Swisher

Barbarina Scott died in Falcon Heights in October, allegedly as a result of domestic abuse. She was found beaten and strangled in her parents’ home on Oct. 28, and her boyfriend, David Vanderbeck, has been charged with second-degree intentional murder.

Scott’s death is only one of many fatalities apparently caused by domestic violence in Minnesota. More women have been and will be injured because of domestic abuse.

When a tragedy like this hits home, it’s almost instinctive to blame it on an increasingly violent society, and to feel the community should do something, anything, to keep a tragedy like this from happening again.

But while it is true that a lot can be done on the community level to increase awareness of domestic abuse and help prevent it, such a process takes a great deal of time, and many sufferers of domestic violence can’t afford to wait.

What about today’s victims? In Ramsey County victims of domestic violence don’t have the time to wait for community intervention; several options are available.

One of the first things a person suffering from domestic abuse should do is call the police, says Deputy Tom Alleva of the Roseville Police Department.

Last year the department received 18 calls from residents complaining of domestic abuse in Falcon Heights. Some of the calls resulted in arrests. The department also made 16 arrests for general assaults—some of which also stemmed from domestic abuse. Alleva says the overwhelming majority of abuse cases involve male to female violence.

Minnesota state law allows police to arrest persons suspected of domestic abuse within four hours of a call for help just on the premise of probable cause. The police do not have to be physical threats; violence are also considered to be probable cause. The police don’t even have to see the abuse taking place. If some of the calls claiming to be a victim of

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D-10 dealing with many issues

By Lee Ann Owens

Several changes are in the works for the District 10 community:

Como Park’s proposed educational resource center has moved ahead after an architect was officially appointed. BBWR Architects, a St. Paul-based firm, will work on the resource center, which may include new offices for the zoo and conservatory, locker rooms, four classrooms, and an auditorium. Construction will not start until a parking deck is built in Como Park as contained in the master plan, according to Phyllis Ahrart, Como Park volunteer and life-long resident.

The building will serve as the gateway and a consolidated single entrance for Como Zoo, which will remain free of charge. "The zoo will never charge; it’s too rich an experience to charge for. We want young families who can’t afford to do much of anything to come to the zoo," Ahrart said. "We have a whole big wish list. It’s just a question of where to put it in the building."

The Energy Park Drive area of District 10 may become an official subdistrict. A change in the District 10 Como Community Council bylaws is required to make that happen. Such a bylaw change is usually a slow process, according to Mike Speiker, community organizer.

District 10 is currently conducting a population assessment to determine how much energy the Energy Park Drive area has grown. The District 10 Como Community Council will continue to pursue the matter based on the survey findings. "We haven’t taken a position. We’re looking at it," Speiker said.

A stop sign requested at the Como Avenue and Pascal Street intersection has not been installed. Surrounding residents like Patty Barton were in favor of a stop sign, but the intersection fails to meet city policy standards for implementing stop signs. A petition circulated in the neighborhood got nearly 150 signatures.

City policy regulates the implementation of stop signs in accordance with the daily traffic flow of cars through the intersection. An intersection like Como/Pascal with between 5,000 to 10,000 cars daily may have stop signs every half mile.

Graffiti from 1

Doing this says, "this is our neighborhood and we set the rules here," said Megard.

The clean-up procedure varies, depending on where the graffiti appears, Vogland said.

The removal responsibility could fall to the St. Paul Public Works department. (Vogland estimates the city has spent $50,000 for graffiti cleanup in the past two years), the MTC, the University of Minnesota, the U.S. Post Office or even newspapers, if their corner boxes are vandalized.

If a private residential or business property is vandalized, the owner should report the incident and clean up the damage. Some assistance may be available through Graffiti, Inc. in finding people doing community service who could help clean up.

Graffiti, Inc. started one year ago, Vogland said, as a way to rehabilitate a prolific graffiti writer in the Grand Avenue area. The program has grown to 40 people.

The program offers an outlet to graffiti "artists"—their title changes once they enter the program. They work with community artists who volunteer their time and the program provides free paint and contracts with businesses to paint murals on walls.

Past projects have included murals on a coffee shop, a boxing club and a Salvation Army bus. Plans are under way for a mural at Hampden Park Foods co-op supporting the police department.

Meeting regularly with representatives of the police department is also a requirement for people in the Graffiti, Inc. program, as is agreeing to stop vandalizing.

The group is currently visiting area schools to spread the word that going out and spray-painting is a crime and letting them know what kind of artists Graffiti, Inc. can offer.

If you see graffiti in progress: Call 911.

If you need to report graffiti on a private residence or business: Call 291-1111.

For information on where to report graffiti on other surfaces (bridges, signs, newspaper corner boxes, bus stops, phone booths, etc.): Call Graffiti, Inc. for a list 225-4433.
People

Four "old-timers" from St. Anthony Park got together in Fayetteville, Ark., to celebrate the 75th anniversary of entering kindergarten at the old Murray Grade School, which was located on the corner of Como and Commonwealth.

Phillip Kercheva of Fayetteville, Paul Wevgi of Corvallis, Ore., Gale Frost of St. Anthony Park and Karl Manke of Fort Collins, Colorado, started school there in 1918. All four were in the 30s, have raised 14 children, and have more than a dozen grandchildren and a couple of great-grandchildren. In total, they're 319 years old! Manke, who submitted this item, would like to hear from other "survivors" of the 1918-19 era. He lives at 317 Columbia Road, Fort Collins, CO 80525-1701.

Brigham Lampert has been selected as a Commended Student by the National Merit Scholarship Program. Lampert, of St. Anthony Park, is a senior at Mounds Park Academy in Maplewood. He is the son of the Rev. Richard and Molly Lampert.

Violinist Brian Krinke soloed with the Minnesota Orchestra in November. The son of Jean and Lambert Krinke of St. Anthony Park, Brian is a student at the Julliard School of Music in New York.

Patricia Richards, chemistry teacher at Como Park High School, made a presentation at the Minnesota Science Teacher's Association fall meeting in October at Chippewa Park High School. Her presentation was titled "Chem Ed. 1994: Master Water Quality Workshop; Great Rivers Project."

Ellen Wu, daughter of David and Xueling Wu of St. Anthony Park, is enrolled in the University of Minnesota Institute of Technology Honors Program. A 1992 graduate of St. Paul Central High School, Wu is a sophomore majoring in chemical engineering. She is a recipient of the John Tate Memorial Scholarship and the Page Foundation Scholarship. Wu is also a volunteer at a nursing home and a science coach for the Minnesota Academy for Science.

In 1992, she completed an undergraduate research project under electrical engineering professor Dave Hoefedt, received the St. Paul Public Schools Honors Graduate Award, the International Baccalaureate Diploma and was a Tandy Technology Top 2 Percent Scholar.

Professor Ida Martinison, whose home base is in St. Anthony Park, is the 1993 winner of the Pediatric Nursing Humane Award, to be presented at the annual Pediatric Nursing conference in Chicago. Martinison is to be honored for her commitment to humanitarian causes and for being the champion of home care for children dying of cancer and their families throughout the world.

She has been at the University of California San Francisco in the Department of Family Health Care Nursing for ten years, and holds the first pediatric nursing endowed chair at the School of Nursing at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio.

Martinison is also one of the founders of the St. Anthony Park Block Nurse Program.

Kathryn Uvildan Moen of St. Anthony Park will give an organ recital at a candlelight Advent Vespers service at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Bayport, Minn., on Sun., Dec. 5, at 4 p.m. She will play works by Bach, Dutilleux, Kropfeter, Rouley and Messiaen at the 1986, two manual, 22 rank I.W. Walker organ.

Holy Childhood's Pack 218 Wolf Den 4 took second place at Lindner's Greenhouse and Garden Center Halloween Scarecrow Contest. Members created Captain Apollo: a seven-foot tall astronaut outfitted in a silver reflective suit, boots, dairkuit equipped with a green garden hose, space helmet bubble and U.S. Bag on the back. They decided to spend their prize winnings of $75 on a food donation to the Merrian Park Food Shelf. On Nov. 13, the Cub Scouts went shopping at the Midway Rainbow Foods with their winnings and an additional donation from Rainbow. Afterwards they delivered the groceries to the Food Shelf.


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Woman reports assault by dog owner

Dear editor,

On Mon., Oct. 25, 1993, a Raymond Ave. owner of a small Shetland-tit mix dog pushed me into the street and then pulled me down the alley at Twin City Linen. I was scared.

When I called to him to put his dog on a leash, he responded, "Give me a leash!" As I ran after the dog to reach the collar, he waved his leash in front of me laughing and pushed me in the street so hard that I fell to the ground. I have a badly bruised right hip, a scraped right shoulder, and a bruised left knee. I am unable to even put the most modest pressure on my right hip, and my right knee hurts also.

My neighbor was bringing up at that time, and upon seeing the man push me down, jumped out of his vehicle and pushed the dog owner away from me. The two men were immediately on the ground. I begged them to stop before anyone was hurt further.

After all of this, I followed the dog owner home, because I could do nothing without his address, or information of the dog's tag on her collar. The man warned me, "Stay away from my dog," and added, "You went down easy." He informed me that he has been a resident of St. Anthony Park for 22 years. He also said he has lived here longer.) He took the long way home, I assume hoping that I'd give up trying to identify him.

Have dog owner's rights gone far in St. Anthony Park? I have seen this dog out with her owner for several years. running through people's yards, urinating and defecating.

Want anyone being willing to sign a petition for enforcing of the leash law? Please call me or send me a postcard and I will see that you get your petition.

Catherine Lindbeck,
1145 Raleigh St., 646-1080

Readers write about co-op shootings

Dear editor,

I am writing regarding the all-too-frequent co-op shootings at our co-op.

I believe we should not employ any armed guard if we use it as a substitute for the kind of security that is truly precious. That is, each person is more valuable than any amount of money. Maintaining a secure environment at the co-op, in my view, is based on avoiding loss of life. No loss deserves to be ended over petty cash.

The best way to avoid the loss of life in our co-op is to reduce the amount of shooting. Keeping an armed guard doesn't reduce the amount of shooting. On the contrary, the presence of an armed guard makes shooting almost inevitable. Because an armed guard is inclined to fire to the sight of a gun, and because an armed robber is likely to shoot at the sight of an armed guard, a gunfight is practically guaranteed.

Removing the armed guard, however, reduces the likelihood of shooting. The chances of an armed robber shooting without provocation are much smaller than if there is provocation. Also, armed robbers say they want cash, it should be given to them. This option is preferable to a gun battle.

Some would say that the two-page boy got what they deserved. But if you look at the provocation causes of crime, it is clear that it is a social disease. These two boys were products of a sick society; a society that tells us we are not white, and if you don't have the money to buy the newest clothes and toys, you're nobody. Our society tells them it's okay to use guns to prove you're somebody.

There should be a renewed discussion of all possible alternatives to our armed guards and the present situation, feel it's important to change our policy. Don't want to be responsible for more blood spilled in our store. (somebody's)

Erica Lepp,
St. Anthony Park

Dear editor,

I have been a working co-op member for over two years as of the night (We) were kept as the death threats. We have become heartbroken by the comments I've heard concerning the killings, from coordinators and other working members. I am writing to put what seems to be a minority opinion into the public space.

I feel very strongly that only one conclusion is possible — that their fault that Kai Lor and Bruce Teng were killed here. It makes me ill that the people in this community who are so quiet, the members frame the issues surrounding the deaths primarily in terms of the injustice to the co-op, with the deaths, when concerned about the deaths is even expressed, a necessary tragedy.

These two deaths are more than a tragedy, the co-op is not, in fact, the victim in this case. The case might never be the victim, had things gone very differ-
ently. We the customers are the victims are the one that moved from or moved beyond us was never about our role in the victim. Kauf Lor and Bruce Teng were dead because we attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery. They are dead because when they attempted armed robbery... It makes me ill that the people in this community who are so quiet, the members frame the issues surrounding the deaths primarily in terms of the injustice to the co-op, with the deaths, when concerned about the deaths is even expressed, a necessary tragedy.

Thank you, fund drive contributors

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Christmas without him

By Warren Hanson

The Christmas tree stands where it always has stood, for as far back as we can remember.

We followed tradition by putting it up on the first Sunday night in December.

The ornaments, tinsel, nutcrackers and bells made their yearly descent from the attic.

And the voice of Bing Crosby again fills the room, accompanied by scratchies and static.

The stockings are hung by the chimney, with care that they won't catch on fire ... again!

And the frost on the windows attests to the cold, even though it was sprayed from a can.

And when the whole house is completely transformed, with mistletoe, holly and pine,

With cranberry garlands and porcelain angels and reindeer arranged in a line,

Then the lights are turned low and the candle flames glow as we start singing. "Silent Night ...."

And slowly unpack the Nativity scene, with its star to ensure "... all is bright."

The babe in the manger is placed on the mantel, where shepherds and kings kneel about him.

But as we sing, this year, one voice will be missing ... and it won't seem like Christmas without him.

He had always delighted in this time of year, and he cherished each coney detail,

From the Santa and slege he'd erect on the roof, to the cards he would send through the mail.

The list that he sent to was a thousand names long, and he'd write a brief note in each one.

Staying up after everyone else was asleep. To him it was part of the fun.

Then on that first Sunday he'd enter the room with a look on his face of pure glee,

And he'd boldly announce, so the whole house could hear it, "Let's go out and get us that tree!"

Then everyone scrambled for jackets and mittens and squeezed themselves into the car.

And off we would drive, to that same Boy Scout Tree Lot. It was close, but it seemed way too far.

Upon our arrival the car would explode with excitement and tumult and haas.

As everyone went off in search of the tree that was planted and grown just for us.

The voices would rise from each aisle and each corner, each claiming to surely have chosen

The absolute perfect, most beautiful tree! Well, it would be, once it was unfrozen.

He would stroll very calmly from one to another, a droll air of judgement about him,

And at last make his choice of the Tree of the Year. ... But this year, we did it without him.

Finally, the night before Christmas arrives, with the uncles, the aunts and the cousins,

And out in the kitchen, and under the tree, wrapped up parcels appear by the dozens.

The little kids huddle to rattle and pinch and guess what's inside all their presents,

While grown-ups begin catching up on what's new, in voices familiar and pleasant.

The coats go upstairs and are piled on a bed, the boots are piled up by the door.

That seems that each year there are even more people than had been here the Christmas before.

The whole house was cleaned and we'd borrowed more chairs for the guests. We had all had to pitch in.

Yet eventually everyone finds themselves standing in the one place they shouldn't, the kitchen.

After all, it's the room where the magic of Christmas is put into eddible form.

It's alive with a wondrous ballet of aromas. And besides, it is one room that's warm!

The dishes emerge, breads, potatoes and sauces, as the turkey is carved on the platter,

And the windows fog up with the steam that escapes from the oven, the pots and the catter.

Then each one finds a place at a table that's graced with a bounty of meats, drinks and dressing.

As we pause for the prayer, there is one empty chair, and a new voice asks God's Christmas blessing.

As the dishes are passed and the plates filled to heaping, the sweet draft of memory flows.

"Oh, he would have loved this!" "Oh, that was his favorite!" "He would have had seconds of those!"

And so the meal goes, from the salads and rolls, right on through to the pies and fudge toffee.

And following after, one more helping of laughter, which we wash down with good, strong, hot coffee.

While over it all hangs a vague melancholy, a wistful yet fond reminiscing.

For the Christmases past, spent with friends who would last, and the one whom we all know is missing.

But what would he do if he found us like this, trying hard to make yesterday last?

What would he say if he knew that we'd let Christmas present fall prey to the past?

Why, he'd sit us right down, just like when we were young, and he'd shake his big finger and scold us

For letting old memories get in the way, and for letting mere sentiment hold us

Back from embracing the here and the now, the joys of the life we are living.

He'd remind us that Christmas is a whole new beginning ... a season of laughter and giving.

He would tell us to listen, believe what he said, and he'd sternly advise not to doubt him.

Then he'd laugh and insist, with a pound of his fist, that it's still Christmas, with or without him.

And so we retire to the tree and the fire, trusting elves to attend to the dishes,

And the presents are opened with squeals of delight, each one meant to fulfill Christmas wishes.

But there's one wish that's shared by each mother, each cousin, each man with his loved ones about him.

The wish that we share is, for this one more year, we would not have a Christmas without him.

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not feel as I do. I do not value my life less than another person's. But I also try not to devalue myself in valuing my own life more than somebody else's. There is no evidence to support the notion that with no guard present anyone who would have been hurt—scary through the robbery that has happened. And there is not much evidence to suggest that even with the guard there might not have been an injury, since the one shot fired, missed. We do not know whether he missed intentionally—perhaps to gain time to grab and money. And we do not know whether the young second man, apparently wanted to enter the store—perhaps to help pull his friend free so they could run. We do not know so much that we would need to know in order to be sure that if Kali and Bruce Teng Thao were not killed, co-op members and shoppers would have been. The ground was worth killing the men to have to find evidence that was not worth their lives as are our own. But I will not say that. The reasoning that says their deaths will teach people they can't rob banks is a dress. Essentially, that to the co-op, their lives were worth a hundred backs as apes. I will not reason that way.

How we tell this story becomes how we write our history, how the future becomes, the future, the co-op community's future. It is desperate and important that we tell this story to other people. The difference between Hampden Park Foods and Rainbow Foods holds only if we tell the story as if Kali and Bruce Teng Thao had been our sons or our brothers. We must not be so arrogant as to say it could not have been so, that "your" co-op brothers would never have attempted armed robbery. We must not be so callous as to say that if our own brothers or sons attempted to commit armed robbery, "they should be killed," because they would deserve to be murdered. We cannot make it a story of these two young men so other, so incomprehensible Evil as to have destroyed a life for trying to hold up a store, even if that store was ours. We must be willing to take just part of the responsibility but part of the blame for their deaths, to be willing to see Kali and Bruce Teng Thao, not as "robbers" or "bandits," but as people, not as "them" but us. And we must be willing to do whatever we have to do to make sure we never kill one of our own again.

Zele Wild, Sr., Anthony Park

Dear editor,

Thank you for participating in our town meeting on Oct. 18 and bringing your ideas and concerns forward. All of you reminded me what a wonderful neighborhood St. Anthony Park is, mostly because of the positive and neighborly people who live here.

The Hampden Park Co-op is continuing to revisit its security plan while maintaining a strong commitment to the community. I hope many of you will participate in that process and stop to see the store you support. I have always felt the store could not exist if our neighborhood and helps provide a source of community interaction where individuals actually increases our safety as residents.

At the town meeting, we discussed how people can be involved, from the local level to the state level, in increasing the safety of our city. As we discussed, the St. Anthony Park Community Council is one such way you can get involved on the local level. You can join a block club and work specifically on crime prevention issues or you could even become a member of the Community Council, which has two open seats (for more information, contact Abby Struck, 292-7884).

One new idea we heard was to form a volunteer escort group to accompany residents of St. Hi-Rise or other seniors through the neighborhood (in dark, or see other community for more information). Several residents already expressed interest in having a community get-together in the spring. By working together we may be able to see the direct results such as putting a stop to graffiti in the community. We are working with the new City Council to get better lighting in certain areas.

With regard to your involvement on the state level, one of the issues in which I will be directly involved is legislative changes relating to firearms. Many of you expressed your interest in supporting the drive for better gun control laws. It will be a tough fight and we need your help.

I recently met with several St. Paul and Minneapolis legislators to start planning our strategy for the 1994 session. We have come up with a list of political legislative changes, some statewide, and some metro-wide. Both the Senate and House Majority (DFL) Caucuses will be holding retreats in the next couple of weeks, and we plan to bring the plan up for discussion to get an idea of where the rest of the state's legislators stand on the issue— and try to convince them to support us.

From a citizens' viewpoint, the most effective form of lobbying is contact by a legislator's own constituents. Most Twin Cities legislators are very supportive of tougher gun control laws. In order to influence legislators from greater Minnesota, we need to have our constituents, or supportive people across the state. If you have friends or relatives from outside Minnesota, or know other legislators, please start contacts. I can also encourage them to write, call, or meet with their representatives in the Legislature.

Locally, continuing to circulate a petition is a good idea—the more names the merrier. If you would like help getting signatures for this petition, contact my office. After the House and Senate meeting, I would suggest setting up a meeting with the local organization lobbying for gun control—Citizens for a Safe Minnesota—and any of you who want to help, to plan a strategy to make the best use of your lobbying abilities. I would be happy to meet with them and discuss our efforts.

Finally, I welcome any other ideas you might have. Please feel free to contact me (or my aides, Elise or Allison) by telephone at 296-5537 or by mail at 247 ST. Catherine St., St. Paul, MN 55105.

Thank you again for taking the time to participate and for speaking out. We need active and concerned citizens to keep our city safe and vital.

Elles R. Anderson
State Senator

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St. Anthony Park residents look at ways to deal with problems stemming from local bar

By Kristin Cooper

At Gatsby's in F. Scott Fitzgerald's novel, young people got together to drink, dance and be carefree. At Gatsby's in St. Anthony Park, young people go together to drink, dance and then step outside to "shoot guns in the air and fight with each other," according to St. Paul Police Commander Mike Smith.

Gatsby's, a nightclub and bar at 2554 Como Avenue by Highway 280, was the source of 110 police calls in the past year. While some of these calls were for people locked out of their cars or for minor traffic violations, 67 of the calls were for offenses like aggravated assault, other assaults, weapons violations, auto theft and fights. These offenses only represented 1% of the calls to the Gatsby's address. Not included were calls like the one early October 23, when a 25-year-old Minneapolis man allegedly fired shots at an off-duty police officer at the corner of Como Avenue and 33rd Avenue S.E. The officer, who was directing traffic after the bar's closing, had identified himself and drawn his weapon, but the man still fired three shots at him.

City Council Member Paula Maccabee said this sort of behavior demonstrates "a real lawlessness." Most of the incidents take place outside the bar, which has a capacity of about 700, in the parking lots surrounding the establishment. The bar is required by a restriction on its liquor license to have security personnel on duty at all times. However, in a letter to the St. Anthony Park Community Council dated October 27, 1993, Gatsby's owner Renee Montpetit stated that St. Paul Police Chief Bill Finney informed her she could no longer hire police to patrol the parking lots "because of the liability involved."

Montpetit's letter came in response to a letter from the Community Council's Housing Committee expressing concern about the number and violent nature of the incidents at the bar. She responded to the three months of police calls detailed with the letter on a case-by-case basis.

She explained that some of the incidents occurred outside of Gatsby's normal business hours, beginning at 11 a.m. In fact, 17 of the 67 more violent police calls in the past year took place in the late morning or early afternoon, a time when the bar is not busy.

The amount of criminal activity may not be a reflection on her business, according to Montpetit. She stated that ten other businesses are located at the same address and cited the other incidents of violent crime taking place around the Twin Cities, including the attempted robbery at Hampden Park Furniture.

Montpetit also said that most of the trouble takes place on

Thursday's and Saturdays. Thursday night is KMOJ night, brought in conjunction with a local radio station which plays urban music for a mostly younger audience. The special night was canceled last year after a violent incident, but Montpetit stated in her letter that trying to change a clientele caused her to nearly go out of business and forced her to file for bankruptcy.

Commander Smith said some of the clientele involved with the bar are gang members. Several sources suggested the bar might be considered a meeting place for either gang members to hang out or talk. Because this "hanging out" and talking also takes place outside the bar in the parking lots, it sometimes involves people who have been banned by the bar for trouble inside. Once outside, the incidents may fall into several different jurisdictions: St. Paul, Minneapolis, Ramsey County, Lauderdale, Falcon Heights or the University of Minnesota. The overlapping responsibilities make it hard to judge the true impact on the community.

"The jurisdictions don't talk to each other," City Council Member-Elect Robbi Megard said. She emphasized that the incidents do impact the surrounding community, citing past community council meetings where residents had voiced concerns.

Commander Smith, however, said that Gatsby's patrons "get out on 280 and head back to Minnesota." Montpetit echoed that statement, writing, "I know for a fact that some of my patrons have gone into your neighborhood and robbed [sic], raped, killed, or burglarized any of you."

The Community Council is sorting out the impact on the community by examining the number of police calls and what restrictions may be possible when the bar's liquor license comes up for renewal in May of next year. Meanwhile, Chief Finney and representatives from the St. Paul Licensing Department have sat down with Montpetit to try to work out solutions to the problems at the establishment.

Chief Finney also met with Licensing, the City Attorney and Council Members to discuss options. Maccabee could not comment on specific actions to be taken or partici
tate in adverse action against the establishment; if such action were initiated, she could have to judge the merit of the action as a member of the city council.

A property's liquor license could be revoked if the establishment is documented to be a nuisance property. The charge might come from neighbors, the community council or police officers, according to Chris Van-Horne of the St. Paul Licensing Department.

She said licensing restrictions on an establishment could include early closures, forbidding certain types of entertainment or regulating the forms of management, among other things.

Maccabee said she would like to hear neighborhood reaction. "My question is, 'Where is the community on this?';" she said, adding that some community members have felt that since the bar is on the far west end of Como Avenue, they may not be as concerned.

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School News
Falcon Heights Elementary
We had Student Council elections in October. All of the candidates were qualified but there could only be one secretary, one vice-president and two presidents.

A recent event here at Falcon Heights was a Book Fair. It was held during the Open House. Students could buy books, posters, calendars and much more.

Included in our "Fitziments Of Our Imagination" program was "Fitzment Frolics." Expert square dancers came to show us how to square dance. It was fun and everyone enjoyed it, even the teachers.

Another event for the Fitzments program was our first Fitzment Feast. Almost all of the Fitzment families enjoyed dinner together. Included in the evening was live entertainment. The menu was a great beef stew, French bread and fresh fruit and great bars for dessert.

Earlier that week we had our annual Halloween party. We put on our costumes in the afternoon and had a parade so we could share our costumes with each other. After the parade students could go through the Spook House. It was a fun time! Everyone had a scare.

Erica Champer
St. Anthony Park Elementary
We had School Spirit Day on Nov. 18 for American Education Week. Students wrote and delivered letters to teachers they have had in past years, thanking them for their year together.

The kindergarten and first grade classes are getting ready for Thanksgiving. The kindergarten and first grade class will learn about the Pilgrims by making dioramas.

The kindergarten will be having a story hour at St. Anthony Park Library. The first graders are writing to pen pals in Los Angeles. The fifth grade has just finished a large Native American project and has taken its annual field trip to Como Planetarium.

The school store is now open for business. It is stocked and run by fifth and sixth grade students. Help from Mrs. Poillet (fifth grade teacher) and Mr. Beck (sixth grade teacher). We sell school supplies such as pencils, pens and notebooks as well as some fun items.

The fifth and sixth grade math classes have our two Elder Mentors, Mr. Merle Harris and Mr. Richard McHugh, back again this year. They take small groups of students and work intensively with them.

Kirsten Griffin
Como Park High School
Congrats to Heather Hayes and Keng Thao who were sponsored by the Rotary Club of St. Paul. These two seniors spent a weekend at Camp Courage learning about our free enterprise economy.

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Seniors

By Sheri Booms

Up until a few years ago, Annette Oppegaard's claim to fame was being the grandmoth-
er of former figure skater Peter Oppegaard, who, with his part-
er Jill Watson, won a bronze medal in the 1988 Winter Olympics. That was also the year Annette heard about the COMPAS Literary Post, a crea-
tive writing mail correspon-
dence program for older Min-
nesotans. Each participant was paired with an editor, an estab-
lished writer who gave assign-
m ents, critiqued the work and offered encouragement. Writing had always come fairly easily for Annette, so she decided to give the program a try. At age 79, Annette Oppegaard launched her writing career.

"I've probably written about 20 stories so far. And I write poetry in between the stories. A lot of what I write is about mem-
ories that I have. My first story was about the time I came down with polio at the age of 16," Annette remembers.

The story, "Out of the Depths" told of her long battle with the terrifying disease. "When I had polio, I didn't think I'd live to have children. Now I have 17 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren with two more on the way."

Still, Annette has struggled with the debilitating effects of polio her entire adult life. The inner strength and determina-
tion she developed to compens-
ate for her physical weakness-
es have carried over to all aspects of her life. Besides writ-
ing, Annette finds time to do "fancysweat," such as crochet-
 ing, sewing and other crafts. A resident at Lynchstrom Care Center, she is currently presi-
dent of its resident council and is a member of Helping Hands, Lynchstrom's resident com-
munity service organization.

"It's so important for seniors to stay active. Why sit and veget-
tate? We need to make our days as productive as possible," Annette emphasized.

In her cozy room, filled with many craft projects—hair bows and barrettes for sale, Christmas ornaments covered with fine crochet, handmade Christmas gifts for each grand-
child and several great-grandchildren—and memorabilia such as photos of her grandson Peter from the 1988 Olympics, Annette can often be found sit-
ting in her favorite chair with her lap desk, spinning her tales and recording her memories in longhand.

To date, Annette has had sev-
eral of her works published, including short stories in two anthologies compiled by the Lit-
erary Post project. Most recently, the magazines Good Old Days and Reminisci both accepted stories for publication in 1994. This year, she also received an honorable mention in a poetry contest held by the League of Minnesota Poets, placing eighth out of 1,000 entries.

"My kids call me a literary Grande Momes," she said with a chuckle.

Annette has graciously allowed the Bugle to print her latest poem. It's one from the heart.

Murray Junior High

Every year Murray Junior High sends 79 students to Wolf Ridge and it's a different this year, Wolf Ridge is an environmental learning center located just north of Finland, Minn. This year the group from Murray will be going from Nov. 30–Dec. 3. Four teachers will be going on this journey up north.

There will be a geography bee Dec. 13–17. The student who wins the bee will go to the regional geography bee. A geo-

graphy bee is kind of like a spelling bee but the questions are on geography.

Our band and orchestra will have a great concert on Dec. 16 at 7 p.m. The orchestra got new instruments this year. There are also two new teachers in the music department. Vicci Streich is the new band and chorus teacher and John Middleton is the new strings and orchestra teacher.

The Murray School Associ-
ation will have a meeting on Mon., Dec. 6 to plan for Choice Night. Choice Night is the night when representatives from dif-
f erent high schools come and give a presentation on their high school so that the students and parents at Murray will be able to make a better choice.

The boys' soccer team is the city champ! They were unde-
feated and only had two goals scored on them the whole sea-
son. Girls' basketball has started along with boys' wrestling.

The last day of school before winter vacation is Dec. 17.

Charlie Bishop

Retrospect
by Annette Oppegaard

Weep not for the romance you once spurned.
Yearn not for adventure left undared.
Sigh not for friends who have turned away.
Long not for the words you left unsaid.

Laugh with the joys you still can share.
Exult in the days yet uncharted.
Anticipate the help your hands still hold.
Before twilight days have parted.

Dream of new adventures!
Hope for fulfillment!
Dare to make them happen!

Holy Childhood

On Nov. 4, Holy Childhood girls' volleyball team started the playoffs. We played two games against St. Peter and Nativity and won both of them. On Nov. 7 we played our final game at St. Agnes High School gym against the girls from Vailant. The girls from Holy Childhood showed great teamwork and came out winners. We especially would like to thank our coach, Jeanne Kranz, for all her hard work and dedication.

Steve Budas from Young Audien-
ces entertained the students against Holy Childhood on Nov. 15. He used a variety of different masks while performing enter-
taining skills. Mr. Budas also explained that masks can teach us about a culture's social val-
ues and needs like the people in Balli and Sri Lanka.

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A free-admission Holiday Celebration will run Dec. 29-30 and 26-30 from 6-8:30 p.m. Many trees decorated by local groups will be on display. Community groups will sing carols, while visitors wanting hot cider or a snack will find that available too.

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Bazaar & open house

An Old Country Christmas Bazaar and community open house will be held at the Linnau Home, 2540 Como Ave., on Sat., Dec. 5, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Featuring handmade holiday crafts, an auxiliary-sponsored bake sale and a white elephant sale. Tours of the newly-decorated areas will be hosted. Refreshments and harp music will be provided. For more information call Mary Lou or Paula at 646-2544.

Holiday program for women

Women of St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church invite women of the area to a holiday program on Dec. 7 at 1 p.m. Carol Erzbahl of the Red Balloon Bookstore will be the speaker. The church is located at 2523 Como Ave.

South St. Anthony Rec Center

Congratulations are in order for the South St. Anthony Boosters Club! The Club received a fourth quarter Youth Programs Fund Grant enabling them to set up an equipment and purchase items for a teen room at the recreation center. Although the grant reflects ideas from staff and booster members, Audrey Duren was responsible for submitting an accurate and timely grant which includes a foosball table, air hockey, table games, scoreboard, TV and VCR. The teen room should be in operation near the end of January.

Teens in grades 7-10 are needed to participate in the Merrimac St. Anthony Junior Royalty Program. Applications, available at the center, must be submitted by Dec. 13. All candidates will be interviewed by a panel of judges on Tues., Dec. 21, at 5:30 p.m., at St. Anthony Church. Those chosen will compete on a citywide level to reign during the Winter Carnival.

A field trip to the Minnesota Timberwolves vs. Houston Rockets basketball game is scheduled for Thurs., Dec. 30, at 7 p.m. game time. The $8 fee includes transportation and a game ticket. Registrations for this trip must be made prior to Dec. 21.

South St. Anthony will have a general skating rink this year. We will begin flooding as soon as the weather permits. The rink will be open on Sunday afternoons, 1-5 p.m., once there is skatetable ice.

For further information on any of the items listed, call South St. Anthony, Monday through Thursday, 4-8 p.m. at 284-5700.

Fisher Nut plant to close

Procter and Gamble, parent company of Fisher Nut, has announced that it will close the Fisher Nut plant in South St. Anthony Park. The plant, which produces roasted nuts and sunflower seeds, will shut down by June as part of large cutbacks being made by Procter and Gamble, which will eventually include 30 plant closings and the elimination of 13,000 jobs.

Two hundred eighty-eight full-time workers, some of whom had been with Fisher for over 20 years, will lose their jobs when the plant at 2327 Wycliff closes. That plant is one of the original Fisher nut plants, opened by the Fisher family in the late 1960s. The work previously done at the plant will now be contracted out to other companies.

Langford Park Rec Center

Late registration for Langford Park youth basketball and hockey will be accepted in age divisions that are not filled. Call about possible openings.

Langford Park is looking for paid instructors for beginning figure skating and chess. For information about these positions, please call Langford Park.

Boys and girls in grades 8-11 are invited to participate in the Winter Carnival Junior Royalty Program. Interviews and other activities will be held on Tues., Dec. 21, starting at 5:30 p.m. Participants must register at Langford Park by Dec. 16. For more information, call Langford Park.

Langford Park's annual holiday program will be held on Thurs., Dec. 23, at 6:30 p.m., at Langford Park Recreation Center. Activities will include supper and visits with Santa and more. The cost is $2 for children and $3 for adults. Please register in advance by calling Langford Park at 294-5705.

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Arts Calendar

Literature
The St. Anthony Park Writers' Workshop will meet on Tues., Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m., at 2267 Carter Ave. Call 645-1135 for more information.

It is possible that women have been quietly incompetent for one hundred years just to gain success on their own terms? On Fri., Dec. 10, from noon-1:30 p.m., the Center for Arts Criticism invites the public to explore that question and others in a brown-bag luncheon discussion with Minneapolis freelance writer Jack Elhai.

Elhai's topic is "The Cherry Sisters' vaudeville act, which reached the 19th century's equivalent of superstar status. His talk is entitled "Artists or Incompetents? The Enigma of Iowa's Cherry Sisters, Vaudeville's Worst Act."

The Center for Arts Criticism is located at 2402 University Ave., on the second floor of the Nelson's Office Supply building. The event is free; however, call 644-5501 ahead to make a reservation.

Elhai received support from the Center for Arts Criticism's Critics' Travel Grant Program to conduct his research into the Cherry Sisters' enigma. He is a contributing editor of MPLS/St. Paul Magazine and Archetypal Minnesota, winner of a Loft-McKnight Award in prose writing and the Loft's Creative Nonfiction and Mentor Series competitions. Elhai has also published articles and arts criticism in American Heritage, Dramatists Guild Quarterly, Minnesota Monthly, the Pioneer Press and the Star Tribune. Elhai's book, Minnesota Collects, was published by the Minnesotan Historical Society Press in 1992.

Music
December 1 has been designated World AIDS Day by the World Health Organization. One of ten "AIDS over AIDS" programs to be presented in the Twin Cities includes "The Challenge of Mortality: The Promises of Innovator," on Fri., Dec. 3, at 7:30 p.m., at St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 2129 Commonwealth Ave. This is a concert recital by mezzo-soprano Glenda Mau rie in response to the loss of her friends, featuring songs by contemporary American and British composers, literary selections from American and British writers and words and music written by those with HIV/AIDS. Maurice will be accompanied on piano by Ruth Palmer. Admission is $7 and all proceeds will be donated to the artist over AIDS Artist Assistance Fund.

Participating and co-sponsor organizations for this concert are the Sigma Alpha Iota Minnesota/St. Paul alumnae chapter, Music in the Park Series and St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ.

To receive an event calendar, call 646-5407 or AIDS Events Line at 646-5407.

The Lyric Concert, a Twin Cities-based period-instrument orchestra, presents Holiday Horizons on Sat., Dec. 4, at 8 p.m., at Lutheran Northwestern Campus Center, Mendon Ave., at Fullam St. It will be a broad array of music from early 17th-century settings by composers Hieronymus and Michael Praetorius to works by father and son Alessandro and Domenico Scarlatti, a sinfonia and cantata, respectively. The orchestra will perform additional music by Schütz, Telemann and Torelli. Soloists include soprano Maria Jette, tenor Dale Kruse and two instrumentalists: Dick Heusold, recorder and Sharon Jacobson, trumpet. Tickets at $14 ($12 for seniors, students and Minnesota Public Radio members) are available at the door. For telephone orders or further information, call 936-7555.

The choir of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church will present its fourth annual Christmas Concert on Fri., Dec. 10 at 8 p.m. Choralmaster Michael Compton will lead the choir, guest soloists and orchestra in a per-

María Jette will be a guest soprano on The Lyric Concert on Dec. 4.

Theormance of Bach's Magnificat (with Christmas interpolations). Also on the program are carols by Joubert, Praetorius and Willan. The finale for the evening will be a medley of traditional carols with audience participation. Tickets will be available at the church door for $10 (senior and student tickets are $5). The church is located at 2129 Carter Ave. For details call 645-3058.

The Twin Cities Jazz Society (TCJS) presents The University of Minnesota Faculty Jazz Ensemble in "A Tribute to Duke," on Sat., Dec. 11, at 7:30 p.m., at the University of Minnesota St. Paul Campus Student Center Theater, 207 Buford Ave. Dr. Ron McCurdy and all-star faculty group in a celebration of Duke Ellington's musical legacy.

Tickets are $5 for members, students and seniors; and $8 for non-members. For further information and ticket reservations, call Carol Simpson, 922-5487.

For Christmas Midnight Mass, the Schola Cantorum of the Church of the Holy Childhood, accompanied by orchestra, will sing "Pastoral Mass" by Antonio Diabelli and other choral and orchestral works, including "Stille Nacht" with chorister descant, sung in candlelight during the blessing of the crib. Stephen Schiffall of Falcon Heights will conduct, with Robert Vickery at the organ.

On Sun., Dec. 26, at 10:30 a.m., Mass, Vickery will conduct instruments and voices in "Masa of Mexican Themes," which he composed.

On New Year's Day at the noon Mass, the Schola Cantorum, accompanied by orchestra, will sing Samuel Rousseau's "Pastoral Mass," with Vickery conducting.

Night" and other works from composers around the world to reflect the meaning of Epiphany, the coming of the Savior to all nations.

Soliosts for the Christmas-sea-
son music are mezzo-soprano
Joan Lindusky, tenor Stephen
Schmann, baritone John Jagoe
and cantor Lee Green.

Visual Art

An exhibition of calligraphy by Judy Dodds entitled, "Songs of the Pen," will be on display in the Campus Center at Luther Northwestern Theological Seminar, Hendon at Fullham, through Dec. 16.

The 100th Goldenstein Gallery exhibit, "Art and Local's," will be on display in the center at Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary, Hendon at Fullham, through Dec. 16.

The Raymond Avenue Gallery exhibit, Wisconsin Pots by Wayne Braum and Mark Phae-


Zenon dance director is local resident

Sam Costa is Zenon Dance Company and School's acting artistic director for 1993-94. The 11-year-old resident of South St. Anthony Park is a 30-year-old resident of the city. The company is based in Portland, Maine. In 1985, last year he worked with Zenon as outreach coordinator and guest choreographer.

The Aesthetics gallery of art and craft will be open until Christmas in Milton Square. Compo at Carter Avenue. Works by local artists are for sale, including Richard Ahnet, potter; Denise De Larzas, puppet maker and weaver; Donna Getsinger, porcelain sculptor; Ron Goertz, graphic artist; Norine Halvorsen, papermaker; Marilyn Krogh, jeweler; Tressa Sualz, basket-

The premiere of Costa's "Still Moving" was performed in November. It is a group work drawn from Costa's associations with dance and sports. Set to a tape collage of various jazz musicians, this dance examines the bond that connects appar-

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Dec. 24, 4 pm Christmas Eve Service
Dec. 25, 6 am Julittos Service
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Worship 10 am. Sunday Dec. 25, 10 am worship only

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Sunday, Dec. 5, 4 pm Vespers Service
Sunday, Dec. 12, 4 pm Parishioner Reconciliation Service
Friday, Dec. 24, 5 and 11 Christmas Masses
Saturday, Dec. 25, 9:30 am Mass
Sunday, Dec. 26, usual mass schedule: 8:30 and 10:30 am

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Dec. 24, Christmas Eve, 7 pm Candlelight Service
Dec. 25, Christmas Day, 9 am Christmas Day Service
Dec. 31, New Year's Eve Experience 7 pm

PEACE LUTHERAN I LAUDERDALE
Walnut Lane. 645-5440
Sunday Worship: 10:30 am. Eucharist 1st and 3rd Sundays
Sunday School and Bible Classes 9:15 am
Dec. 19, 10:30 am Children's Service
Dec. 24, 5 pm Christmas Eve Community Candlelight Service
Dec. 25, 10:30 am Lessons and Carols
Dec. 26, 10:30 am Christmas Communion
Dec. 31, 7 pm New Year's Eve Celebration

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Wednesday 6:45 pm conversational English class
Wednesday Jr. Hi Group & Awana 6:45 pm (Sept. - May)
Thursday night University Graduate Student Lunch and Bible Study
Christmas Eve Service 5 pm

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(except Dec. 26 and Jan. 2)
9:05 Christmas Eve Education (except Dec. 26 and Jan 2)
Dec. 4, 10-Pre-Holiday Fest. White elephants, books, baked goods, greens, lunch and desert served
Dec. 12, 3:30 Sunday School Christmas Program
Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Worship and 4 pm
Dec. 25 Christmas Day Worship 10 am
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Dec. 5, 9:30 am Dr. Green preaching on "A Faithful Waiting"
Advent Worship and Alternative Christmas Display after worship
Dec. 12, 9:30 am Senior Choir Christmas Concert
Rev. Kennedy preaching
Dec. 19, 9:30 am Christmas Sunday Service
Dr. Green preaching on "Christmas Turned Around" Senior and Junior Choirs
11 pm Traditional Candlelight and Carol Service "Green's here Christmas Has to be sung"
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10:15 am Choir
10:45 am Worship
10:45 pm Bible Study (except Dec. 26)
Dec. 5, Hanging of the Greens
4 pm Activities, 5:15 Potluck, 6:15 Program
Dec. 12 Chancel Choir Christmas program during worship
Dec. 24, 5 pm Christmas Eve Service

ST. CECILIA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Cromwell and Bayless Place. 644-4502
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Sunday Mass: 10 a.m. at church (nursery provided) and
8:30 am at Seal Hi-Rise, 825 Seal St. (handicapped accessibility)
Daily Mass: 7 am at the Parish Church
Lucy Days Mass 7 am. 12:05 pm, 5:30 pm at the Hi Rise
Dec. 14 Advent Penance Service
5:30 pm at the Hi-Rise, 7 pm at church
Dec. 24, 5 pm Christmas Eve Mass at church
Dec. 25, Christmas Day Mass 8:30 am at the Hi-Rise, 10:30 am church
Dec. 31, 5 pm New Year's Eve Mass at church
Jan. 1 no mass
Jan. 2 usual Sunday schedule of masses: 8:30 am at the Hi-Rise, 10 am at church

ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
2136 Carter at Chelesford. 645-3058
Sunday School: 5 pm
Sunday Sun morning Holy Eucharist Rite I
10:15 am Holy Eucharist Rite II
Nursery and child care at both services
Activities during the sermon at second service
9:15 am Education Hour for All Ages
Dec. 10, 8 pm Christmas Concert performance of Bach's Magnificat and traditional carols
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Dec. 24, 4 pm Christmas Eve Family Eucharist
10 pm Festival Christmas Carol Service in the chapel

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Sunday Church School: 9 a.m
Dr. Robert Bailey, Minister

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"It's still just a piece of paper," says Allevia. "If I want to come over and beat the pulp out of you, a piece of paper isn't going to stop me."

Because victims of domestic violence can be in greater danger if they stay home, the Family Violence Network offers to transport female victims of abuse to an unmarked battered women's shelter where they can stay for up to three months. During that time the center works to get the women emotionally and financially stable and help them get out of the abuse situation permanently.

But getting the women out of the situation permanently can be a problem, says Jan Peterson, of the Family Violence Network. Many women are too afraid and too ashamed to admit that they are in an abusive situation. Deputy Allevia says he's seen victims return to an abusive environment because the victim and abuser have children together or the victim just feels there is no other choice.

"No woman ever deserves to be hit," says Peterson. She encourages anyone who feels threatened or in danger to contact the center or the police. While increasing community awareness and prevention of domestic abuse is important, anyone in an abusive situation needs to know that immediate and long-term help is just a phone call away, says Peterson.

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Local election review

Gehrz and Hustad win in Falcon Heights

By Amy Swisher

Incumbent Sue Gehrz and newcomer John Hustad emerged as winners of two open Falcon Heights city council seats on Nov. 2. Gehrz and Hustad beat challengers Allan Weinand and Ted Johnson for the positions.

Gehrz will be starting her second term on the city council, while this is Hustad’s first experience in an elected office.

“I’ve always been one of those people who’s much better to win than to lose,” said Hustad, adding that he’s glad pre-election campaign stumpimg is over.

City council terms last for four years and the two seats Gehrz and Hustad vied for don’t start until January. For Gehrz, it means business as usual while Hustad says he still has loose ends to take care of.

She says he plans to fulfill his remaining duties as a member of the city’s solid waste commission while making good on campaign promises. Hustad is working on using one of Falcon Heights’ recreational facilities as an outdoor playground for young children, something he said he’d do during the campaign. He also says he plans to talk with Mayor Tom Baldwin and outgoing city council member Paul Clernia about their experiences with the council.

Gehrz on the other hand is looking back on four years of experience on the council and looking forward to four more.

Gehrz garnered the most votes in both precincts. One of the major issues she’s been facing is the council next year is the study of police services. The council plans to conduct. Gehrz says she also wants to continue to look at ways the city can expand the scope of how parks and recreational facilities can serve the public.

Only 29 percent of registered voters participated in this round of elections. But according to City Clerk Shirley Chenoweth these numbers don’t accurately reflect the voting population of the Falcon Heights community. She says the percentage of registered voters would have been much higher had the figures excluded registered students around the University of Minnesota’s St. Paul campus. Students don’t feel like permanent members of the community because they’re here for a relatively short time, says Chenoweth. They tend to vote only in national elections and stay away from smaller community-wide elections.

Write-in campaigns staged in Lauderdale

By Holly Nelson

It probably doesn’t surprise most Lauderdale residents that each of the candidates who ran unopposed in their election for mayor and two council seats were declared the winners when the polls closed on November 2. However, incumbents, Mayor Jeffrey Dains and Council Member Steven Froehlich, along with Council Member-Elect Gene Ohman weren’t the only vote getters.

Megard defeats Gilliland;
Dawkins wins St. Anthony Park;
Coleyman takes Como Park

By Winton Pitoff

If St. Anthony Park voters had their way, Andy Dawkins would have defeated Norm Coleman in the mayor and two council election and would be measuring the mayor’s office for drapes right now. Dawkins received 1,055 votes in St. Anthony Park’s three precincts, while Coleman took only 812. Twelve more creative residents wrote in other names on their ballots. In contrast, every precinct in the Como neighborhood which the Bugle covers supported Coleman, with a total count of 1,352 to 966.

St. Anthony Park resident Roberto “Bobbi” Megard defeated Jim Gilliland in the race for the Fourth Ward seat on the St. Paul City Council, capturing four of five Bugle area precincts. Precinct 5 was the only St. Anthony Park polling place registered more votes for Gilliland. Fifth Ward City Council Member Janice Reittman was unopposed in her bid to retain her post, though 42 votes in the Bugle area went in opposition votes against her. That wasn’t enough to unseat Reittman, though, who won with 96.5% of the vote.

Bugle area residents were largely supportive of St. Paul School Board Candidates Becky Montgomery, Marc Mandorschek and Mary Phillips, the three candidates who won the election overall.

Bugle area voters also supported the Charter Amendment concerning publication of city council actions. The amendment passed city-wide.

43% of the 9,960 registered voters in the Bugle’s area turned out to vote on November 4, mirroring the city’s turnout of 43%.

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Kids have somewhere to go on Friday nights

By Michelle Christianson

Although the St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church has just 250 members, over 800 people pass through its doors each week. The programs housed in the building include the Block Nurse Program, the Leisure Center, the Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts, a nursery school, the Community Chorus, a bridge club and one of its most popular programs, the Friday youth activity night.

Youth activity night began three years ago as a "fun, safe, unstructured night" for the young people of the congregation. In that first year, 1990, there were about 15 to 20 young people on any given Friday night. The next year the program averaged 20 to 30 a night, the next about 40, and this year approximately 50 young people attend the youth activity night. Some weeks the number even climbs to the 70s.

The students are mostly in grades seven through ten with some senior high students attending. They come from many St. Paul public schools as well as from Roseville and several private schools.

Although there are no planned activities, the church owns a ping pong table, a pool table, an air hockey table, a large screen TV with a VCR and lots of comfortable furniture. There is a large room where the youth may play with Nerf balls, and art materials are available. All of this notwithstanding, the most popular activity seems to be simple conversation. "This is a non-threatening place for boys and girls to meet and talk with one another," says Kathy Burell who works with her husband, Ed, and another church member, Doug Weiss, organized the group.

There have been no serious problems with behavior. The five chaperones who are there each Friday night are in strategic places to help the young people treat each other and the property with respect. At the beginning of the year each person attending the activity night signs a covenant that outlines the rules and this lets him or her know what is expected.

Burell would like someday to have a paid person in charge of activities who might be able to program some special events.

On the other hand, "it's the very fact that it's unstructured that draws so many kids," she said she would like to see more adults involved and especially those from other neighborhood churches.

The members of the congregation are very pleased that so many youth choose to make the church their home on Friday nights. Their pastor, Greg Bernstrom, has made it his goal to make the church the focus of the community. At least for young people on Fridays this goal has been fulfilled.

If you would like to help out on Friday nights, call the church at 646-4859.

New math at Chelsea Heights

By Lee Ann Owens

Math adds up in a new way for some Chelsea Heights Elementary students. The school has implemented two new math programs: Mortensen Math and Hands-On-Equations.

Mortensen Math, a program featuring physical, pictorial, oral, written and even some musical methods to teach math concepts, is being taught to 55 first graders.

"The teachers find it to be real interesting because it's new and the kids like it too," said Chelsea Heights Principal Chuck Wolmering.

Mortensen Math was devised to teach children math in the same way they learn their native language through being exposed to everything at the same time. According to Mortensen Math program designers, "Children can learn the 'language of math' by being exposed to all of math from the very beginning— including algebra, equations and geometry."

"It still teaches the same basic math concepts. One and one is still two," Wolmering said.

Bob Hazen comes to Chelsea Heights four times a week to teach the program to half of the school's first graders. Participating students were tested before the program started. They will be tested again after the program is complete to measure how effectively math skills were learned.

Part of Mortensen Math's funding was provided by a California donor, and additional grants help make up the difference.

Another new math approach, Hands-On-Equations Learning Systems (HOELS), started because a parent was interested in developing an accelerated math program at Chelsea Heights. HOELS teaches methods designed to promote early math success using algebraic line equations. Student interest is enhanced by solving algebraic equations in a game-like manner.

Carol Forrest, gifted and talented coordinator in the Central School District, which has been trained with HOELS and has taught the program successfully to other students, Forrest was hired as math consultant for the program through continuing education, Wolmering said.

HOELS has 16 sixth grade students enrolled. The sessions take place on Tuesdays after school hours for a total of 10 sessions.

A $600 Youth Development Grant from the St. Paul Schools Community Education Department and another $600 collected from a fund raiser featuring Sen. Paul Wellstone helped start the new program. Tom Snel, a Chelsea Heights parent, headed the fund raising activities.

Located at Hamline and Hoyt Avenues, Chelsea Heights Elementary has a total of 662 students.
Community Calendar

NOVEMBER
25 Thurs.

28 Sun.

29 Mon.
AA. St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 8 p.m. Call 647-5446 or 770-0246. Every Mon.

30 Tues.
Toastmasters, Hewlett Packard, 2052 W. Larpenteur, 7:30 a.m. Call Don Ardnt, 641-6525. Every Tues. Tot time, Langford Rec. Center, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Every Tues. Family gym night, South St. Anthony Rec. Center. 800 Cromwell, 6:30-8 p.m. Every Tues.

DECEMBER
1 Wed.
Leisure Center. St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 10 a.m. Being a favorite Christmas ornament or decoration. Parent-child play group, So. St. Anthony Recreation Center, 800 Cromwell, 10 a.m.-noon. Every Wed. Call 646-6886. Bookmobile at Hamline & Hoyt, 12:30-5:30 p.m.

Midway Mid-day Toastmasters, Minnesota Diversified Industries, 670 Pelham Blvd., noon-1 p.m. Also Wed., Dec. 15. Vietnam Veterans of America, St. Paul Chapter 320, HHH Job Corps Auditorium, Arlington & Snelling, 7:30 p.m.

2 Thurs.
Toastmasters, St. Paul Campus North Central Forestry Experimental Station, 11:30 a.m. Call Mary Barwise, 642-1254. Every Thurs.
St. Anthony Park Community Council, 830 Cromwell, 7 p.m.

3 Fri.
Falcon Heights/Lauderdale recycling day. Bookmobile at Seal Hi-Rise, 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Scandinavian Cookie and Craft Fair. Lyngbylonset Care Center Chapel, 1415 Almond Ave., 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Youth Activity Night. St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 2200 Hillside, 7-11 p.m. For grades 6-12. Every Fri.

4 Sat.
League of Women Voters of Roseville, Maplewood and Falcon Heights VIP coffee. Roseville Activity Center, 2800 Arona St., 9:30 a.m.-noon.

5 Sun.
Old Country Christmas Bazaar & Open House, Twin City Lutheran Home, 2040 Como Ave., 2:30-4:30 p.m.

6 Mon.
Park Press Inc., board of directors, ParkBank, 7-7:55 a.m.

7 Tues.
Lauderdale Friends & Neighbors, Lauderdale City Hall, 1-4 p.m.
Holiday program for women. St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 2253 Como Ave., 7 p.m. Carol Erdahl of Red Balloon Bookstore speaking. St. Anthony Park Association Board, Langford Park, 7 p.m.

8 Wed.
St. Anthony Park recycling day. Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 10 a.m. Christmas carols: Beth Lindsey and Mary Meyer. Falcon Heights City Council, City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 7 p.m.
St. Anthony Park Community Council, So. St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, 7 p.m.

13 Mon.
Como Park recycling day. Falconeers Senior Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 1-3:30 p.m. Call 648-3361 or 644-0055.

14 Tues.
St. Anthony Park Association. St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 2129 Commonwealth Ave.; dinner, 6:30 p.m. Program: St. Anthony Park Community Chorus Christmas Concert. Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 1811 Walnut, 7:30 p.m.

15 Wed.
Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 10 a.m. Birthday. Bookmobile at Hamline & Hoyt, 12:30-5:30 p.m.
Block Nurse Program. Inc. Board of directors, Park Bank, 2255 Como, 4-6 p.m. Call 338-7774.
St. Anthony Park Community Council Housing Committee. So. St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, 5 p.m.
Langford Booster Club, Langford Park, 7:30 p.m.

17 Fri.
Falcon Heights/Lauderdale recycling day.

22 Wed.
St. Anthony Park recycling day. Falcon Heights City Council, City Hall, 7 p.m.

27 Mon.
Como Park recycling day.

28 Tues.
St. Anthony Park Holiday Party for grades 6 and younger, Langford Recreation Center. 6:30 p.m.

29 Fri.
Holiday vacation begins. Roseville Public Schools. Classes resume Mon., Jan. 3.

27 Mon.
Como Park recycling day.

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Obituaries

Willard Bollenbach

Willard M. Bollenbach, a former resident of St. Anthony Park, died on Nov. 13, 1993. He had lived for many years on Champlain St. before moving to North Oaks. 

Preceded in death by his wife Alice, he is survived by his son Willard M. Bollenbach, Jr. of Aljic, Mexico, and his daughter Lesley Carnes of North Oaks; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a sister, Margaret Roman of Clermont, Florida.

William Bunting

William Bunting, a lifetime area resident, died at age 65 on Nov. 1, 1993. He grew up in St. Anthony Park, then moved to Lauderdale, where he lived in recent years.

Bunting attended Gutterson Grade School and Murray Junior-Senior High. He was a member of North Cono Presbyterian Church. 

Preceded in death by his first wife, Theresa; parents William and Matilda Bunting, brother Norman, and sister Dorothy, he is survived by his wife, Gloria Jean, daughters Cathy Lattin and Christen Richardson; sons Charles Bunting and Paul Bunting; brother Jack Bunting; sisters Evelyn Ernst, Beverly Chase, Phyllis Penning and Betty Bentley; grandchildren Jason and Sarah Richardson.

Dorothy Elliott

Dorothy H. Elliott died on Oct. 25, 1993, at the age of 90. She was a resident in recent years of Lynmouthmenon Center.

George Ellis

George F. Ellis, a longtime resident of Lauderdale, died at age 86 on Nov. 6, 1993. He was a member of Corpus Christi Church and had served as custodian at Corpus Christi School when it first opened in 1959.

Ellis is survived by his wife Eillian; his son James Ellis; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a brother Robert Ellis; and two sisters, Ruth Johnson and Grace Johnson.

Willis Gortner

Willis A. Gortner, a nutritional scientist and amateur archaeologist, died of cancer on Sept. 10, 1993, in Stanford, California, at age 89. He had grown up in St. Anthony Park.

Gortner received his B.A. in 1954 from the University of Minnesota.

In 1947 he was among scientists selected by the Navy for the scientific resurvey of the Bikini Atoll atomic bomb site. In 1948 he became head of the chemistry department of the Pineapple Research Institute in Honolulu, Hawai'i. In 1964 he became director of the Human Nutrition Research Division of the Agricultural Research Service in Beltsville, Maryland.

He held several patents, including one that delayed the ripening of pineapple so that fresh fruit could be shipped from Hawaii to the mainlands.

Survivors include his wife Susan of Portola Valley, Calif.; a daughter Catherine Willis of San Carlos; parents Frederick of Los Angeles and David of Seat- tle; sisters Alice Johnson of St. Paul and Eloa Page of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; and seven

Myrtle Hanson

Myrtle E. Hanson died at age 84 on Oct. 27, 1993. She had lived in recent years at Lynmouthmenon Care Center.

Hanson was a member of St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church.

Preceded in death by her husband, the Reverend Omer C. Hanson, she is survived by her daughters Joanne Negstad and Mary Trodhall; her son, Mark Hanson; her grandchildren; Luis and Lars Hegstad, Tonia Nathan and Kari Trodhall, Aaron, Alyssa, Rachel, Ezra, Isaac and Eliza- beth Hanson; and a sister Elisabeth Wurtz.

Ida Jensen

Ida A. Jensen, age 95, died on Oct. 27, 1993. She was a resident of the Como Park area and had lived recently at Lynmouthmenon Care Center.

Jensen was a member of Como Park Lutheran Church.

Survivors include her daughter Mabel Cook of Roseville and Karen Agrell of Seattle; her son James W. Jensen of Sequim, Washington, and Henry W. Jensen, Jr. of Plymouth; 13 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Alice Fredrickson and Hannah Moho- son.

Paul Martin

Paul J. Martin died on Nov. 3, 1993. He was 78. Martin was a former custodian at St. Anthony Park Methodist church for 17 years.

He is survived by his wife Mary; daughters Mary Ann Philp and Karin Avery; sons Bobby Martin, Paul Martin and Mark Martin; 11 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Eva Mogren

Eva M. Mogren, a former long- time resident of St. Anthony Park on Powers Ave., died on Nov. 9, 1993. She was 93 years old.

Mogren had been a charter member of Corpus Christi Catholic Church. She had lived Park. There she belonged to the Roseville Seniors Club, the 55 Club of Lake Street and St. Rose of Lima Church.

Preceded in death by her husband Edward, a son Donald, a daughter Eleanor Winchester, and a grandson James Golf, she is survived by a daughter Shirley Golf of Gem Lake; nine grand- children; 18 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and a sister Lamenelle Allie of St. Paul.

Teona Nelson

Teona I. Nelson, age 86, died on Oct. 24, 1993. She was a member of St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church.

Miss Nelson is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Glenn Richards

Glenn Richards, an area resident for many years, died on Nov. 7, 1993, at 84 years of age. He had lived on Simpson Ave. in St. Anthony Park, then later in St. Anthony Park for 22 years.

Richards was a professor emeritus in entomology, biophysics and zoology at the University of Minnesota. He was world-renowned for his work on insect cuticle.

He is survived by his wife Patricia of St. Anthony Park, a science teacher at Como Park High School; and a son, Stephen Richards of Texas.

Hanna Vaagenes

Hanna Vaagenes died at the age of 100 on Nov. 8, 1993. She had lived recently at Lynmouthmenon Care Center.

Vaagenes served as a Lutheran missionary in Madagascar for 37 years, along with her husband, the Rev. Morris Vaagenes.

Preceded in death by her husband, she is survived by two sons, the Rev. Morris Vaagenes, Jr. of Shoreview and the Rev. Larry Vaagenes of Brookville; nine grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Lillian Wagener

Lillian B. Wagener, a former longtime resident of Como Park, died on Nov. 12, 1993. She had recently lived at Iris Park Commons and was a member of Como Park Lutheran Church.

Preceded in death by her husband Henry Wagener, she is survived by a son Terry Wagener of Shoreview and a daughter Lynn Zwieri of Arden Hills; grand- children Todd Wagener, Paul Wagener, Wendy Ness, Wade Zwieri, Betsy Congall, Steve Zwieri; seven great-grandchildren; and many other relatives.

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Reel men watch movies

By Michelle Christianson

What do you do if you're a guy who just doesn't like to do "guy things"? What do you do if you're not into bowling, hunting, fishing or golf? Several St. Anthony Park men, looking for answers to these questions, formed a film discussion group. Warren Hansen, Jud Reaney, Mark Throthveit and Bob Beck along with former resident Rich Zapfli and Minneapolis resident Tom Ormerson are now members of the group that began in 1984.

The original members (including Bill Lorimer, who has since moved away) felt a need to get out with other men in a non-work setting. Some of them had wives in a book discussion group, which served as the model for the film group.

Each member takes his turn hosting the group and choosing the film for the month. Because they are a group of diverse thinkers, there has been a wide variety of films chosen. Sometimes they become intrigued with a particular director so they watch many of the films that director has done. (Werner Herzog was one such director.) Other times they watch different versions of the same film, as in the 1988 and 1993 versions of The Furnishing. The only rule is that the choice is a secret. (There used to be a rule that the host must watch the film before showing it, but that was discontinued because it spoiled the spontaneity of discussion for the host.)

"One of the best benefits of being in this group is that I see films that I wouldn't otherwise see," says Hansen. Many of the films are not mainstream, blockbuster films but more art or foreign films. They will not watch films that have been dubbed, preferring those with subtitles.

The discussions focus on the art of the filmmaker—camera angles, lighting, music. They don't dwell on plot or character development, but look for what the film means. They will often compare one film with another. Sometimes the host does research on the film and hands out copies of reviews, which they may also discuss.

The two requirements to be in the group are that one must have a VCR and good beer. Sometimes the refreshments offered by the host follow the theme of the movie, but this is not a hard and fast requirement.

Although they are friends, the purpose of the group is not to build relationships (they were adamant about this point) but to discuss movies. On the other hand, "How many men's groups stay together this long?" asks Reaney. The interchange between the men is warm and friendly, and they say they are anxious to continue the group.

Speaking Briefly

St. Paul property tax meeting

The St. Paul City Council is holding neighborhood meetings on the mayor's proposed 1994 budget. Property taxes will be discussed at the meeting on Tues., Dec. 14, at 6 p.m., at Central High School, 275 N. Leamington Parkway. Representatives will be present from all three jurisdictions—city, county and school district.

St. Anthony Park Community Council

Foodshelf contributions doubled

The food pickup with recycling on November 10 contributed 1,146 pounds of food for the Merriam Park Foodshelf. This more than doubled the contributions from last year's collection, which was held in August. Cash contributions came to $235. Thanks to Mark Hansen, the scouts and church volunteers for distributing fliers. Thanks also to Supercycle. They collected the food along with the recyclables. Most of all, thanks to the residents of St. Anthony Park who contributed food and funds. The Human Services committee is looking into repeating the collection spring and fall next year.

Reminder: If you are in need of foodshelf assistance please call Roberta Roberts at 645-0340. Eligibility is determined on a case-by-case basis and is completely confidential.

Christmas tree collection

The 1994 tree collection will be held on January 15. Plan to have your tree on your front curb by 7 a.m. and remember that all ornaments and tinsel must be removed. Wreaths and flocked trees cannot be accepted. Trees will be chipped for mulch—ornaments and metal cannot be chipped. If you would like to volunteer to help with this effort call the Community Council at 292-7884. (It's good to exercise off some of those extra holiday pounds.)

Early Childhood Family Education

Early Childhood Family Education (ECFE), a program of St. Paul public schools, would like to invite you and your preschooler (birth through age five) to join them for Parent and Child Together Classes offered at 631 N. Albert St. (Wilson School Building, home of Expo Middle School). Classes meet once a week for two hours and are available every morning Monday-Friday, Wednesday at noon and Thursday evening at 6:15 p.m. On Thursday evening, school-aged children may also attend and participate in gym activities offered by St. Paul Community Education.

The fee for a 15-week semester is $60, but no one is turned away because of inability to pay. Parents can register for classes at any time during the school year, and fees are adjusted to reflect the number of sessions remaining in a semester. If you would like to visit the facilities and talk to the staff, please visit during the free drop-in hours from 1-3 p.m. on Mondays. For further information call Ann at 293-3342.

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