Park Hardware seeks new owners

by Warren Hanson

It shouldn't come as such a surprise. Park Hardware has gone through changes before. It moved up the street to its present location in 1940, and had a new owner in 1960 and again in 1962. The last time it changed hands was in 1971.

And now owners Stewart and Kathy McGinn think it's time for a change again. After 19 years, Stewart and Kathy are selling Park Hardware. "Why? "It's just time," answers Stewart, and Kathy agrees.

The couple met at the University of Minnesota, where Stewart was studying anthropology after his return from Vietnam, and Kathy was learning to be a science teacher. But an anthropology degree usually leads to a teaching job, and they weren't comfortable having two teachers in the family.

Stewart remembered his grandfather's dream of owning a hardware store. In 1971 he took the Yellow Pages and started looking for a hardware job. Along the way he heard that Dick Meyers, who owned a store on Como Avenue, had lost a manager. It was 1972 when Stewart first walked into

Patriotic fever

Bandstand is sparkling for July 4th

A freshly painted bandstand in Langford Park—complete with a new roof—is set to be ready for St. Anthony Park's 49th annual July 4th celebration, featuring a parade, patriotic events and music by Igor Rakzanov's Band and the Adam Granger Band.

Festivities begin at 8:30 a.m. with a pancake breakfast, followed by Langford Park distance races. The Grand Parade assemblies at 11 a.m. at Park Service, proceeding from Luther Place and along Como Avenue to Langford Park.

Afternoon activities encompass horseback and volleyball tournaments as well as children's races. Of course, hot dogs, pop and ice cream are available throughout the day.

Neighborhood musical talent is spotlighted. Concluding the Fourth events the Adam Granger Band; featuring Adam Granger of "Prairie Home Companion," takes center stage at the bandshell beginning at 7 p.m. Earlier in the day, Igor Rakzanov's Band as well as Three Men and Banjo, Synergy, and Michael Keyes and Nick Jordan perform at the Langford Park bandstand from 1:30 to 6:30 p.m.

The aging bandstand desperately needed attention, and the St. Anthony Park Association, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary, rescued the community treasure. Jim Larson of Larson Decorating volunteered his painting services, while Tim Catfield of Home Tailors put on a new roof. St. Anthony Park resident Joan Dow Styan made a generous contribution to the bandstand's renovation.

John Kersey is leading the fight against cancer

by Judy Woodward

Dr. John A. Kersey is a man who knows and respects his enemy.

The director of the University of Minnesota Cancer Center said that researchers are "still in our infancy in really understanding the extraordinarily complex body processes that make up the many diseases that we call cancer..

Still, the longtime St. Anthony Park resident hopes that the center he helped will see significant gains against the disease that by the year 2000 will be the leading cause of death in the U.S.

"If we could make progress in understanding why breast cancer develops," he remarked, "or if we could develop an educational program which would definitely reduce smoking among young people, that would be my vision for accomplishment."

Kersey's work is expanding to include the oversight of the Cancer Center's new 78,000-square-foot research center, which is opening next month. The research facility is only part of the Cancer Center, which Kersey likens to a "concept more than a building. " The Cancer Center, which opened five years ago, is an umbrella organization for University-based cancer research, patient care and education.

Kersey enjoys the multifaceted nature of the work at the Cancer Center. Besides administrative duties, he does lab research as well

Como Park redesign prompts controversy

by Barbara Clark

The St. Paul Park and Recreation Commission tabled a decision about the Como Park Master Plan on June 12 after hearing a dissenting neighborhood-based report.

The opposing groups squared off at the meeting over two key elements. The majority Como Park Master Plan Implementation Ad Hoc Committee is concerned about the closing of Midway Parkway and constructing an underground parking ramp, while the minority group shuns these measures.

After listening to both presentations, however, the Parks and Recreation Commission concluded that it needed more time to study the issues. Future action on the master plan may occur next month.

The Como Park Master Plan Implementation Ad Hoc Committee was formed in 1995 to discuss and develop issues related to the west end of the park. The committee, led by two parks commission co-chairs, included representatives from area businesses, the neighborhood, Como Zoo, Como Conservatory and community councils.

The ad hoc committee concluded its work on May 16. Its report highlights many modifications and some additions to the original master plan. But at least one third of the group withheld support of the final recommendations.

This group harbors such strong opposition to the ad hoc committee's positions that members issued a minority report by way of an alternative master plan.

Steve Aubude and Paige DeLong joined Thora Cartridge and Sally Works in issuing the dissenting opinion.

"Como Park is a regional park with a difference," said Cartridge. Como Park to 6

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Center piece: 25 years of books at Micawber's
Southeast industrial development plan distributed for review

by Jillian Myrom

A 20-year development plan for the Southeast Industrial/Bridal Veil area is in draft form and was distributed for comment last month throughout the affected neighborhoods. The Southeast Economic Development Committee (SEED) has hammered out the 98-page document since mid-1995, when BWRO architects were retained to put draft drawings and text to match the committee's vision for the area.

The 300-acre industrial area is part of the Bridal Veil Worship, named for Bridal Veil Creek, which once flowed across the land that lies north of Fourth Street S.E., south of Elm Street S.E., east of Oak Street S.E. and west of Highway 280. The railroad yards, grain elevators and industrial use of the land forced the creek underground, where it now travels by pipe to the Mississippi funnelling out over Bridal Veil Falls.

Over the course of the industrial area's development, no coherent planning document has existed to guide development or even define building standards. In an effort to reclaim what natural resources do remain on the highly contaminat-

ded site and to clean the brownfields and make them available for new development, the SEED committee crafted a document that sets guidelines for developers and suggests a road infrastructure to support future businesses.

Shaping future development

The primary purpose of the master plan is to establish a process for working with future developers. Because much of the territory is taken up by abandoned industries and dormant grain elevators, development of smaller parcels is almost impossible. Without exception, land parcels within the Southeast Industrial/Bridal Veil area will have to be developed simultaneously. If the master plan does not detail the contaminants present on each area of land and how a more in-depth review will be conducted later, such as an Alternative Urban Area-wide Review. By having all new developers work concurrently with the Mississippi County Community Development Agency (MCDAC), then SEED in a number of proposed projects, the SEED committee can grasp the larger picture: how groundwater runoff will be treated across the whole area, how tax-increment financing earned from the devel-

oping industries can provide the roads needed to get workers to their jobs. Without the environment can be treated respectfully.

Environmental care for the land

Several environmentalists participated in and contributed significantly to the discussions of groundwater runoff, stormwater detention ponds, bioremediation and the variety of wildlife that lives in the Southeast Industrial/Bridal Veil area.

Peggy Sand, a Minneapolis Como neighborhood representative on the SEED committee, brings a wealth of background in environmental issues. Judith Lake joined the committee in February, hired by Carver County's Better Environment. Lake often urges the group to keep the idea of the area as a waterfront at the forefront of the planning process.

Karyn Eckman of the University of Minnesota initiated some studies of the area that demonstrate what species are in the area, find out how populous they are and gauge the impact of future development will be on their habitats.

Traffic concerns

One of the concerns, from an environmental and a neighborhood perspective, is the increased traffic that will need to circulate through the Southeast Industrial/Bridal Veil Area as new industry emerges. To address traffic issues, the plan calls for the construction of an east-west roadway flowing from Energy Park Drive to Kasota Avenue.

The purpose of the east-west roadway, the most aggressive new road planned for the area, is to allow access for trucks and employees directly into the Southeast Industrial/Bridal Veil area, rather than having access for both the thousands of predicted vehicles onto neighborhood streets.

Traffic coming from St. Paul on Energy Park Drive off of Highway 280 can access the east-west roadway, enter the industrial area.

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Council actions at a glance

At its July 12 meeting, the Council:

- Voted to recommend a variance on the request on the height limit of a billboard on Gilbert, near 1149 and Cleveland, because of the particular situation and without prejudice to our general overall objection to billboard locations in places visually affecting city residents.
- Voted to recommend approval for a variance of front yard setback requirements.
- Voted to hold a special meeting on the Southeast Industrial Area/Bridal Veil master Plan on Wednesday, June 26, from 6:30 until 8 p.m. at the South St. Anthony Recreation Center. The Board has important, long-range traffic and environmental implications for our neighborhood.
- Voted to send a letter to elected officials regarding the value of maintaining the restrictions on motorized vehicle use in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area.
- Voted to accept additional funds for crime prevention efforts.

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The Community council is selling embroidered T-shirts and long-sleeve loose-knit pullover shirts for $30 and $25 (slightly more for XL size). We will have a limited supply on hand, so we urge you to be early at the SAPCC table at Langford Park on the 4th of July. Shirts are also available at the Council office. Call 292-7844 for information.

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Lauderdale rejects noise wall proposal for Hwy. 280

by David Anger

Given the beauty of Lauderdale's scenery and the sweeping views of downtown Minneapolis' constellation of modern skyscrapers, the city council in May 28 unanimously opposed building a noise wall along Highway 280. In addition to rejecting the wall, the council also opposed closing off the city streets of Walnut, Rosedawn and Sumner that provide access to the highway.

The proposal, which exceeded $1 million, was developed by the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) and was a direct outgrowth of the noise wall that now envelopes much of the western edge of St. Anthony Park from the thoroughfare.

Lauderdale's city council began considering these issues in April, when representatives from MnDOT presented the state's plans to over 50 interested people at a public hearing.

Even though the state was keen on building the noise wall, the ultimate decision rested with the city council. To survey public opinion, the council held a public hearing about the noise wall before voting on both the noise wall and closing access to the city streets.

Over 45 people attended the noise-wall hearing. The vast majority opposed the construction project, largely because it would have sealed off the residents' view of Minneapolis.

During the meeting 15 people spoke against the wall, while three favored the idea.

Identical to the noise wall in St. Anthony Park, the barrier would have been 20 feet tall, running northward and uninterrupted from Larpenteur Avenue to just beyond Walnut and Ryan.

Residents, however, were more ambivalent about closing off access to Highway 280. Some argued for keeping just one exit open, but MnDOT cited safety concerns that would not only consider closing all exits. Even though the council opposed the state's plan, MnDOT can override this decision regarding Highway 280 access.

These issues may emerge later, when reconstruction of Highway 280 begins in 10 years.
Hats off

How did that gray paint work out? asks Stewart McIntosh. "Not so great," responds the customer, wearing a paint-splattered denim shirt and khaki shorts. "I was looking for more of a blue-gray than a black-gray." Then, without a care in the world, Stewart patiently guides the aspiring Michelangelo through his catalog of interior paint options. This is, of course, the kind of service that people have come to expect at Park Hardware under the ownership of Stewart and Kathy McIntosh.

Park Hardware is a place where customers can photocopy their tax returns for 3 cents a page and buy a turley pen for the Thanksgiving bird. It even stocks old washboards. But as Warren Beatty might say in a future movie article, the McIntoches are moving on. The hardware store is up for sale. The St. Anthony Park couple is looking for new challenges. Perhaps they just need a deserved vacation, so it's time to say "Hats off" to Stewart and Kathy, not just for selling the nuts and bolts of living, but also for being such stellar public citizens through hiring teenagers, participating in virtually every community festival and supporting other neighborhood-based businesses, including the Bugle.

Firewalls are never easy, especially in this neighborhood where many hope that time will stand still. But, alas, it never does. Mega stores are moving closer, making the small retailer's job even more difficult. But those giant Home Depots lack that certain allure that has kept Park Hardware afloat during this magnificent 20th century. As people leave Park Hardware many catch a good-bye glimpse of a framed New Yorker magazine cover from 1984. It depicts a quiet villagescape that bears a remarkable resemblance to Como Avenue during the winter. All that is missing from this ideal scene are the McIntoches.

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LETTERS

Packard is UCC's second female pastor

Rev. Packard is not the first female pastor of St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, as your headline and third paragraph so emphatically state. The Rev. Kathryn Nelson was called as associate pastor of that congregation in September 1998 (officially installed in April 1999) and served until she was called to Peace UCC in Duluth in July 1991 as its first female pastor. Rev. Nelson served St. Anthony Park faithfully and well, and to slige her ministry in this way is an affront not only to her but to the congregation.

Rev. Glan H. Harrington-Hall The United Church of Christ in New Brighton

Editor's clarification: The Rev. Dane Packard is the first woman to serve as the congregation's senior minister.

"Prairie Reader" available

Thank you for devoting the center piece section of the June issue to urban prairie gardening. Lee Ann Owens did a marvelous job of conveying the intricacies of prairie gardening and the reasons behind our community's growing interest in it, while grounding this "gardening trend" in its historical and ecological contexts.

Thank you, as well, for mentioning "The Prairie Reader." The inaugural issue of "The Prairie Reader" is now available, and it includes articles about increasing appreciation for our grassland heritage, the turf wars in Minneapolis parks, the proposed Northern Tallgrass Prairie Heritage Preservation Area in Minnesota and Iowa, a suburban prairie garden, and the medicinal properties of lobelia. The issue also includes original drawings, a calendar of events and book reviews.

Anyone wishing to subscribe to "The Prairie Reader" for one year (four issues) can do so by sending a check for $18 to "The Prairie Reader," P.O. Box 8277, St. Paul, MN 55108.

Camille LeFevre Publisher and Editor "The Prairie Reader"

Nielsen leaves Murray

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I have been very fortunate to have been a part of this community. I will always value what a welcoming, safe, caring community you provide for everyone. I wish you the best and know you will welcome the new principal, Tom Olfin, and continue your support of Murray and the students.

Nancy Nielsen
Principal

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Enjoy the Fourth!
It's a driver's world

by Dave Healy

I work at the University of Minnesota, where despite shrinking legislative support and annual dismantling, the construction of new parking lots and ramps continues unabated.

I live in St. Anthony Park, where sidewalks are still used, but when I venture out to the suburbs I enter a world where it's generally assumed that pedestrians don't exist. If you build it, they will come—provided you build a road to drive there on.

I also live in Minnesota, where "transportation funding" is interpreted to mean "automobile funding" and where water cooler discussions of these days is as likely to focus on speed limits as on the weather, new stadiums or who killed whom.

It's a driver's world. I suppose I've always known that, but recent events have dramatized the truth in new and troubling ways.

Several weeks ago I was on my way to work, which in winter months means catching a bus. I was crossing the street at a controlled intersection—Raymond Avenue and Energy Park Drive. The light was green; I was in the crosswalk. At 8 am it was light out. The pavement was dry.

Halfway across the street, I was struck by a car making a left turn. The vehicle came from behind me and to my right. I never saw it. I was knocked to the pavement and suffered bruises to my arms, legs and back.

The driver of the bus I was trying to catch saw the accident and called 911. An ambulance arrived shortly, followed by a police officer. After giving my description of the accident, I was hauled off to the hospital, where x-rays proved negative and I was released.

One might say I was lucky—if it makes any sense to describe someone who got hit by a car as lucky. I emerged with no broken bones and no permanent injuries. I was quite sore for a couple of weeks, but I only had to miss two days of work, and now I'm fully recovered. It could have been worse.

Still, I did incur some medical expenses: ambulance, emergency room, x-rays. I assumed these expenses would be covered by my medical insurance and was told to get a copy of the accident report.

An accident report, I discovered, is coded with numbers, letters, symbols. With the report itself comes a key that explains the code. I studied both documents carefully but was unable to determine what kind of citation had been issued to the driver. Confused, I called the traffic and accident division.

"It would be in that box in the lower right corner," I was told. "What does it say there?"

What appeared in the box was the officer's diagram of the accident along with a short narrative, which I read to the person on the phone: "Pedestrian states he was walking eastbound attempting to cross Raymond Avenue and was trying to catch a bus. Driver states he was northbound on Raymond after making a left turn off Energy Park Drive, going approximately 25 mph. Driver states pedestrian walked fast into left side of his vehicle."

I paused, waiting for the sympathetic chuckle indicating that my auditor recognized the ludicrousness of this description. No chuckle was forthcoming.

"There's no indication here that the driver was ticketed," I said.

"Well, that's where a citation would be listed if there were one."

"Wait a minute. I was struck by a car in broad daylight while in the crosswalk with a green light, and you're telling me the driver didn't get a ticket? What's your health insurance company going to think of that?"

"Oh, you don't want to submit this to your health insurance. They'll just kick it back."

"Not if it's obvious that the driver was at fault."

"No, no, Mr. Healy. You're wrong on two counts. First, medical expenses fall under Minnesota's no-fault insurance law. It doesn't matter whose fault the accident was; your insurance company is liable for your medical expenses. Second, this doesn't go to your health insurance; it goes to your auto insurance."

"But I wasn't driving. I was on foot."

"Yes, I know, but as long as you have auto insurance, that's who pays."

"But what if I didn't have auto insurance?"

"Well, most people do."

"But the driver still should have been given a ticket."

"As I already explained, it doesn't matter whether he was ticketed or not."

A couple of weeks after this incident my teenage son was driving home from school when someone pulled out in front of him. He couldn't stop, and a collision ensued. No one was hurt, but both vehicles were damaged. Our van sustained a dent to the bumper and right front fender as well as a broken turn signal.

Witnesses confirmed Ben's account of the accident. The other driver, who had stopped for a red light, pulled into the intersection while the light was still red. Ben had a green light.

The other driver got two tickets—one for the moving violation and one for not having insurance information in his car.

When I called to report the accident to our auto insurance company, I asked if it was subject to no-fault laws.

"No. There were no injuries, and no-fault applies only to medical expenses."

I asked if this insurance claim would have any effect on our next premium.

"It shouldn't. As long as the other driver was ticketed and witnesses confirm that it was his fault, we should be able to recover costs from his insurance company and your rates won't be affected."

What did I learn from these two events? I learned that if someone damages your car, it matters whose fault it was, but if someone damages you, it doesn't.

I learned that when you're crossing a street, for all practical purposes you're a driver even if you're on foot.

I learned that if you hit another vehicle, you can get a ticket for not carrying insurance information, but you can run a pedestrian over in a crosswalk in broad daylight and walk away with nothing on your record. You don't even have to report the accident to your insurance company.

I learned that it's a driver's world.
Southeast Minneapolis SEED report ... from 2

continue to the west and hook up with I-35, bypassing the already snarled streets of Dinkytown allowing any remaining traffic to link up with Second Street S.E. in Mercer-Holmes, where traffic can then access downtown Minneapolis.

Ellen Watters, executive director of the St. Anthony Park Business Association, serves as a St. Antho-
y Park representative on the SEEDS committee. She said that while much of the plan makes sense, she and Bob Amsdorfer, another St. Anthony Park representa-
tive, remain concerned about traffic projections for the east-west parkway. Approximately 5,500 cars use the Kaatio/280 interchange daily; with projected development in the industrial area, 15,000 cars would use the interchange daily.

The aesthetics of the road, addi-
tional noise, and pollution from the traffic are primary concerns for St. Anthony Park Watters who represents Como Community Council District 10. "A holistic plan that understands and reflects the history, character and cultural significance of the park is needed."

Darrick Markel of the University of Minnesota's Design Center agrees with Carriage. "Applying regional models of development to Como Park would detract from some of the special charac-
teristics of the park."

The park was designed in the late 1880s by Horace Cleveland, whose vision differed vastly from modern park construction, con-
tinued Markel. For instance, he said that current models funnel traffic to large areas thus promoting higher speeds on the arterials. Markel's observations about traffic route to the heart of the debate. The majority plan calls for closing Midway Parkway between the Conservatory to Horton, while the minority group opposes this move. The dissenting report says that closing Midway Parkway will prompt vehicle congestion and create additional safety concerns for park users.

"Closing Midway Parkway elimi-
nates a nice parkway experience for motorists," said Carriage. The 400-car underground park-
ing deck is another major differ-
ence between the two proposals. The majority proposes a parking deck at the Zoo and Conserva-
tory entrance. Yet, the minority opinion contends that the park-
 ing structure is unsafe for people and automobiles.

These distinct voices reflect two approaches to changing Como Park—capital intensive and restorative. The capital intensive approach favored by the majority focuses on addressing contempo-
 rary needs to the park, while the restorative approach promoted by the minority emphasizes renovat-
ing and enhancing the park with-
in the original framework of the park's historic design.

Jane McChew also contributed to this story.

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Myrna Brinkmeier, surrounded by a group of youngsters, is leaving the day-care field after 14 years.

Myrna Brinkmeier retiring from child care

by Barbara Clausen

Myrna Brinkmeier summed up her 14 years as a day-care provider in St. Anthony Park with, "It was fun. I enjoyed it." A profusion of toys and stuffed animals still line her living room a few days after she waved goodbye to the last child.

"This was their home for the time they were here," Brinkmeier said, stating a philosophy that was a hit with many parents.

Brinkmeier created a home situation for over 70 children from newborn to school age in her 14-year career.

Brinkmeier was described as "wonderful" and "an incredible woman" by satisfied parents. Pat Froelen was thrilled with the personal attention her children received there:

"We have birthday crowns and snapping hoops taken around cakes at her kitchen table that chronicle our kids' growth," said Froelen. "Merry weeks we heard of a party to celebrate someone's special day at Myrna's."

Art, cooking and craft projects were frequent fare at Brinkmeier's day care as well. "She was always doing something different," reported Froelen.

Dedicated, professional and flexible were adjectives that Froelen used in describing Brinkmeier.

Linda Bausley echoed Froelen's positive comments. She was delighted with the individual care, the respect, and the support Brinkmeier gave each child.

Brinkmeier began her career when her youngest children, twins Arlan and Laura, were 4 years old. Her eldest daughter, Gail, was 9. "We needed some extra money and I wanted to stay home," she explained. "Fourteen years ago there weren't a lot of day-care providers around."

She took a series of classes to become licensed and has taken 12 hours of classes annually for recertification. As a member of the Wilder food program she has taken a required nutrition class once a year.

Brinkmeier created a secure and interesting environment for her charges that included trips to the park, wading pools in the summer and sledding in the winter.

She cared for a great group of kids. "The kids always had lots of enthusiasm," she said. "They were basically happy most of the time."

Mischievous behavior and disagreements showed they were "ordinary kids."

Sometimes day-care kids stayed overnight when their parents were away or, in one case, when a mother went to the hospital to have a baby.

Her advice to anyone considering going into the field is to look in your home before you begin.

"The amount of space that you have is important. Your whole house gets taken over by day-care things. I don't have the kind of storage space to put all the toys away each weekend."

Brinkmeier also emphasized, "Your family has to be willing to live along with it." She admitted that blending her own family with her work was at times challenging. "It didn't mean that because I was home supper would be ready when they got home. They would have to wait or help cook."

Her 18-year-old twins graduated from high school this spring. Brinkmeier's career change may involve working with children, but she is open to new adventures.

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Micawber's is independent
capitalized. In time, Nell Stil-
man lost interest in the bookstore
and Norton became the sole
owner.
Stilman chose the location
when he was driving through
St. Anthony Park one day. "It's a
homey area," he said. "You can
look out the window and see
tings going by."
Stilman keeps the small-town
aura of the store by showcasing
plants and flowers in front of
the store and by working
every Christmas Eve.
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ago that
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izes in
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The press
enables him to be part of
the process of creating a book,
which he enjoys. Stilman, an avid
environmentalist, has published
a number of books on Minnesota's
natural beauty. He has also pub-
lished literary works, such as "25
Minnesota Writers" and "25
Minnesota Poets."
With his involvement in almost
all aspects of the book business,
from publishing to wholesale
to retail, Stilman possesses a front-
line view of the evolution of the
book industry. The 25th an-
iversary of Micawber's gives him
an opportunity to survey some of
these changes, although he said it's
difficult to him to believe it's
really that long.

Mach has changed in a quarter
century and Stilman has made
sure that Micawber's stayed ahead
of the changes. About five years
ago he expanded the store, enlarg-
ing the children's section to fill an
entire room. Children's books are
a large and increasing market, he
said, which he sees as a hopeful
comen for the future.

After the expansion, he started
the popular series of
"Granny Sunshine" children's events,
which usually draw 20 to
25 kids and their parents. Stil-
man likes to see the parents
enjoying books together with
their kids. "I think it brings them
together."

Unfortunately, however, these are
not the best of times for small
independent bookstores. In fact,
they are not the best of times for
books. Much has been written
lately about the future of the
book in the face of modern tech-
ology. The "Hungry Mind Book
Review" devoted an entire issue to
the subject. Some technology
enthusiasts suggest that the book
will be eclipsed by CD-ROMs and
virtual reality.

Stilman, however, is optimistic.
"I don't think the book is going to
disappear," he said. He declared
that when television and all the
tpeople thought it would replace
books and it has not—in fact,
shows like "Seasame Street" teach
kids to read and promote reading,
and authors plug their latest works on day-time talk shows.

In addition, Stillman believes that books have an intimacy that technology lacks. Even though people find making the time to read difficult, there's something comforting about the same time, their massive buying power enables them to have larger stores and stock more titles than independent bookstores. Some have installed coffee bars and many sell music and videos.

In this time-crunch era, convenience often wins out over loyalty to the local bookseller. With the recent closing of the popular Odegaard's bookstore on Grand Avenue, booksellers are concerned.

While Stillman is conscious of the problem, he keeps a sense of perspective about it. The threats from the large chains, he said, affect "not just our industry but every industry," pointing to the closings of many Mom & Pop grocery and drug stores unable to compete with the giants.

Stillman believes that while he noticed a big impact on sales when the Rosedale Barnes & Noble opened, he didn't notice much of a change when the HU Mar store opened. In addition, he said that since the closing of Odegaard's, he hasn't drawn some of that store's former clients, who prefer shopping at an independent bookstore.

"I think you have to be aware of competition," Stillman added, listing some of the measures he's taken to keep Mciawer's competitive discounts on books, newsletters, special ordering, and, on Sundays, free coffee and pastries.

Twenty-five years later, Stillman still loves the book business because "it's always exciting." As The Bookmen business is getting larger, he finds it satisfying Mciawer's smallness—the antique tables he picked up at various sales, the warm bookstore-friendly atmosphere, the individual attention to customers.

Not surprisingly, these are some of the same reasons why people keep returning to Mciawer's for book-buying pleasure.

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For those who are uneasy about St. Anthony Park's proximity to toxic waste sites and other environmental hazards, Kersey offers words of comfort. "Of course, any potential environmental hazard should be studied for its risk, but I don't feel our area is at all compromised or unsafe."

Kersey and his wife, Ann, thought the Park healthy enough environment to raise three children here, including a daughter, Meg, who is currently following in her father's footsteps as a first-year medical student at the U.

Except for college back East at Dartmouth and a stint in the Army after he studied medicine at the U, Kersey is a lifelong Minnesotan. He grew up in Minneapolis and has spent his 27-year academic career at the University of Minnesota.

Asked to sum up his life, Kersey surmised, "I'd like to be known as someone who enjoyed his family and his work, and as one who made some small contribution."

His voice gathers force as he describes the sense of satisfaction that has not dimmed. "I really enjoy the lab research. Research is an adventure," Kersey concluded. "There's so much that's unknown. I'd like to have more time to do it."

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Bathtubs Steeped in History

While it has been discovered that inhabitants of Pakistan's Indus Valley enjoyed hot water baths as early as 3000 BC, Europeans and Americans did not make bathing a regular part of their lives until the 19th century. The notion of disinfected bathtubs did not evolve until the Victorian Era. At the time that Queen Victoria ascended the throne in 1837, Buckingham Palace had no bathrooms. The Queen bathed in a portable tub that was set in front of the fireplace in her bedroom. In time, the advanced technology of practical plumbing systems overcame the Victorian era of separate bathrooms as being vulgar. Duly enough, the present-day view of the bath as a haven of relaxation has prompted the comeback of the Victorian stand-alone tub.

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Day in the Park on July 28
Lauderdale’s annual Day in the Park attracts only citizens, politicians and lots of kids.
This year’s event is set for Sunday, July 28, from 2:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Community Park on the corner of Roselawn Avenue and Fulham Street.
For the fourth consecutive year, Day in the Park is featuring Twin Picks, a bluegrass band comprised of Nancy Read Hendricks and Lon Hendricks, a Lauderdale couple, and Gene Walton, a Minneapolis musician.
The group is performing from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Other activities include the ever-popular kiddie parade at 2:30 p.m., followed by games, including a water slide. Hot dogs, brisket, baked beans and chips will be sold beginning at 4:30 p.m.

ST. ANTHONY PARK

Business Association receives $20,000 grant
A new business will soon be sprucing up their facades thanks to a $20,000 grant recently awarded to the St. Anthony Park Business Association (SAPBA).
The Business Association’s grant was one of 13 awarded through the city’s St. Paul’s Neighborhood STAR (half-cent sales tax) program. It is the first and largest STAR grant awarded to an organization in St. Anthony Park.
The grant for the Business Association’s Facade Improvement Program will be allocated in July after proposals from individual businesses have been evaluated. Each business is eligible to receive up to $2,000, which must be matched on a one-to-one basis.

Hunt retirees from bank board
John Hunt ended his long and illustrious career at St. Anthony Park Bank this spring. His career began in September of 1927, when the 17-year-old Hunt applied for the job of messenger at the bank on Como Avenue. It ended in May, nearly 70 years later, when he retired from the board of directors of the bank after having risen through the ranks from messenger to executive vice president.
Among the memorable events in Hunt’s career was a robbery in 1931. A man walked up to his teller window, produced an automatic pistol and ordered Hunt to “stick ’em up.” No one was harmed in the robbery, but he recalled that it was an adrenaline-inducing event.
The 86-year-old banker retired from his daily responsibilities at ParkBank in 1975 and became vice chairman of the board. He and his wife, Frances, moved to St. Anthony Park in 1941 and raised their five children here.
Hunt was instrumental in establishing the St. Anthony Park Association in 1947 and this newspaper in 1973.

Linnea Home ice-cream social
The community is invited to enjoy the Twin City Linnea Home Auxiliary Ice-Cream Fundraiser on Sunday, July 21, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., at 2040 Como Avenue. The event also includes a bake sale and a white elephant sale. Admission for adults is $1.50; children 75 cents.
Call 646-2544.

COMO PARK

AARP meeting
The Midway-Highland chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons is set to meet on Thursday, July 18, at 1 p.m., at Lyngblomsten Senior Center located at 1299 Pascal Street.
La Leche League meeting
“The Art of Breastfeeding and Avoiding Difficulties” is the topic of the next monthly meeting of the Como-Midway La Leche League. Mothers-to-be, mothers, babies and toddlers are invited to attend the meeting on Tuesday, July 9, at 7 p.m. For information, including location, call Jeanne at 644-4030 or Fay at 489-6356.
**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

### 28 FRIDAY
- Bookmobile at Seal Hi-Rise, 825 Seal St., 11 a.m. - noon.

### 9 TUESDAY
- La Leche League meeting, 7 p.m. Call Jeanne, 644-0302, or Fay, 489-6356, for location.
- Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 7:30 p.m.

### 10 WEDNESDAY
- Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 9 a.m - 1 p.m.
- Bookmobile at Hamline & Hoyt, 12:30-5:30 p.m.
- St. Anthony Park Community Council Physical Planning Committee, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell Ave., 6-7 p.m.
- St. Anthony Park Community Council, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, 7-9 p.m.
- Falcon Heights City Council, City Hall, 7 p.m.

### 12 FRIDAY
- Bookmobile at Seal Hi-Rise, 825 Seal St., 11 a.m. - noon.

### 16 TUESDAY
- District 10 Como Community Council. Call 644-3889 for location.

### 17 WEDNESDAY
- Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 9 a.m - 1 p.m.

### 18 THURSDAY
- AARP, Midway-Highland Chapter, Lyngmoor Senior Center, 1298 Pascal St., 1 p.m.

### 19 FRIDAY
- Falcon Heights/Lauderdale recycling day.
- St. Anthony Park Block Nuage Program board of directors, St. Anthony Park Library, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

### 21 SUNDAY
- Linnea Home Ice-Cream Social, 2040 Como Ave., 2:30-4:30 p.m.

### 22 MONDAY
- Como Park recycling day.
- Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 9 a.m - 1 p.m.
- Bookmobile at Hamline & Hoyt, 12:30-5:30 p.m.

### 23 TUESDAY
- Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 7:30 p.m.

### 24 WEDNESDAY
- Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 9 a.m - 1 p.m. Book discussion.
- Bookmobile at Hamline & Hoyt, 12:30-5:30 p.m.

### 25 THURSDAY
- Falcon Heights Ice Cream Social, Community Park, Cleveland at Roselawn, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

### 26 FRIDAY
- Bookmobile at Seal Hi-Rise, 825 Seal St., 11 a.m. - noon.

### 27 SATURDAY
- FairSHARE distribution and registrations for August at Holy Childhood Church, 1435 Midway Pkwy., 9:30-11 a.m. Call 644-7495; or St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 2323 Como Ave., 8:30-10:30 a.m. Call 644-8833.

### 28 SUNDAY
- Lauderdale Day in the Park, Community Park, Roselawn at Fulham, 2:30-6:30 p.m.

### 31 WEDNESDAY
- Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 9 a.m - 1 p.m.

*Items for the August Community Calendar must be received by 5 p.m. by the Park office by 5 p.m., Monday, July 15.*

Youngsters as well as stroller sport patriotic costume at St. Anthony Park’s Fourth of July celebration. Enjoy this year’s parade, followed by day-long events at Lauderdale Park. The Adam Granger Band begins playing at 7 p.m.

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George Anderson
George R. Anderson, age 89, died on May 31. He was a resident of The Heritage at Lyngbytowne Care Center. Anderson retired from Brown and Biglow in 1970. He was a member of Como Park Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his wife, Ann, of St. Paul; son, Thomas of Golden Valley; five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Lester Ahart
Lester L. Ahart, a former resident of St. Anthony Park, died on May 25. He was 93 and had lived on Valentine and Eustis. Recently, he made Southeast Minneapolis his home.

Ahart is survived by his wife, Linnie; daughters, Delores Herbert and Joyann Tenney; sons, Monte and Jack; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Emily Ferguson
Emily K. Kniftafer Ferguson, age 99, died on June 4. She had lived at Lyngbytowne Care Center and was a member of St. Luke's Catholic Church.

Ferguson was preceded in death by her husband, James, and son, Richard. Survivors include sons, James, Robert, and William:

Emily Greenlee
Beverly A. Thompson Greenlee, age 67, died on June 7. She grew up in South St. Anthony Park on Pearl Street and had lived recently in Burnsville.

A 1946 graduate of Murray High School, Thompson married Robert Greenlee, another St. Anthony Park resident and Murray graduate. She worked as a bank teller and a homemaker. She was a member of Como Park Lutheran Church.

Greenlee is survived by her husband, Robert; children, Lorrie Oswald, Sandy Kramer, Scott Greenlee and Robin McNally; six grandchildren; and brother, Gerald Thompson.

Hans Miller
Hans Miller, age 92, died on May 22 at Lyngbytowne Care Center. A native of Denmark, he worked for Northwest Airlines and was a longtime member of St. Paul's United Church of Christ, the Masons and Order of the Eastern Star. He was also a talented artist.

Preceded in death by his wife, Bernice, and sister, Helga, Miller is survived by his wife, Teressa; son, Harry; five grandchildren; five stepchildren; 23 step-grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Kenneth Parizek
Kenneth A. Parizek died on June 1 at the age of 57. He lived in Como Park for many years.

Parizek was a 40-year employee of Montgomery Ward and a member of Holy Childhood Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Connie; children, Steven, Kimberly, Jonathan, Suzanne Bresette, Dale and Pedger; grandchildren; Ashley, Amber, and Nathaniel; parents, Clarence and Lucille Parizek; and brothers, Clarence Jr., Frank and John.

Helen Taylor
Helen R. Taylor, a resident of Falcon Heights on Holton Avenue, died on June 1. She was 80 years old and a member of Falcon Heights United Church of Christ.

Taylor was preceded in death by her husband of 55 years, George. She is survived by daughters, Barbara Taylor and Susan Taylor-Campebell; five grandchildren; and sister, Gladys Olmian.

Compiled by Ann Budgell
KID-BITS

Summer algebra institute
Como park residents Bob and Sarah Hazer are offering "The Summer Algebra Institute for Kids Grade 1-4." The half-day program introduces early elementary students to math. For information call 645-2706.

Library summer reading program
The summer reading program called the "Colorful World of Library Kids" continues at the St. Anthony Park Library, 2245 Como Avenue. Performances at the library include:

- Professor Simon Sterling, magician: Friday, July 5, at 9 a.m.
- Sean Brown, storyteller: Thursday, July 18, at 2 p.m.
- Wendy Baldering, songs and stories: Thursday, July 25, at 2:30 p.m. and Friday, July 26, at 10:30 a.m.

SAP Elementary students produce newspaper
The students at St. Anthony Park Elementary School produced a newspaper called the "Mooosepa-
per." The eight-page effort begins a story about the peace march
around Langford Park, while other examine report cards, the school calendar and the running clubs.

Superintendent Rita LaDoux, contributors included Lily Bevis, Joey Christopherson, Carla Geiger, Anthony Hutchinson, Mai Khang, Roddy Lagoness, Jessica Pechkin, Clarissa Schwarz, Tichiou Tho and Amy Xiong. Kali Wolfgram designed the paper.

Park registrations
- Registrations for Langford Park: South St. Anthony soccer runs from July 15 to Aug. 2 at Lang-
ford Park. Boys and girls, ages 5 to 14, are invited to participate.
- Rec center outings: Langford Park and South St. Anthony rec centers are visiting
the wave pool at Bunker Hills on July 12, followed by a July 16 trip to church and ladders park at Hyland Lake Park Reserve and a July 26 adventure to the Wild Mountain water slides. For information call 298-5765.

Grunny Sunshine
Grunny Sunshine is peeping by Mizuoch's on July 20, from 11 a.m. to noon, to talk about "Down on MacDonald's Farm." Mizuoch's is located at 2238 Carter Avenue.

St. Anthony Park student wins Goiher Scholarship
Daniel Chang of St. Anthony Park received a 1996 Daniel Goiher Career in Health Care Scholarship. He is a student at Central High School.

State Fair vocal contest
Young people, ages 12 to 13, are invited to compete at the Crossroads Chapel State Fair vocal contest. Tryouts are held on July 27 and 31 at Grace Church, Roseville. Call Cell at 645-3544 for information.

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- Wednesday Schedule
- 6:45 pm Bible Study at Key's/Lexington
- 6:30 pm Worship with communion (Nursery Available)
- Friday Schedule
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2129 Commonwealth at Chelmsford. 646-7173
Sunday Worship: 9:00 am through Labor Day Weekend
Nursery care provided.
July 15-17, Summer Bible Camp
Rev. Dave Packard, Pastor

-ST. A.P. UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
THE CHURCH WHERE EVERYONE IS ALWAYS WELCOME
Como and Hibbard. 644-4699
Sunday Schedule
Worship 9:30 am
Fellowship 10:30
Wednesday 9 am - 1 pm. Leisure Center with noon lunch

-ST. CECILIA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
Cromwell and Bayles Place. 644-4592
Saturday Mass 5 pm
Sunday Mass 10 am at church (nursery provided) and 8:30 am at St. Hi-Rise, 825 Sel St. (handicapped accessibility)
Daily Mass 7 am at the Parish Center
Holy Days Mass 7 am, 12:05 noon, 5:30 pm at the Hi-Rise

-ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
2156 Carter at Chelmsford. 645-3058
Sunday Schedule:
8 am Holy Eucharist Rite I
9:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II (June 2 only 10:15 am)
Nursery and child care at both services
The Rev. Grant Abbott, Rector
The Rev. Lynn Lawyer, Deacon

-WARRENDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1040 Como Ave. at Oxford. 489-6045
Sunday Worship 10:15 am (nursery provided)
Sunday Church School: 9 am
Dr. Robert Bailey, Minister