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Controversial pool hall business stalled

Licensing loopholes give neighbors an inventive edge in blocking the business indefinitely

requests include

lighting and

by Jennifer Thorson

ovember 15 has come and gone, and the controversial new billiard hall,

slated to move into 2418-2424 University at the corner of University and Raymond, still isn't open.

In September of 1996, prospective owner Binh Nguyen applied for a license to operate a billiard hall

serving light foods. His license has yet to be approved by the City of St. Paul.

Although the St. Anthony
Park Community Council has no
official role in granting or denying
a license application for the
billiard hall, the process may be
held up by consideration of a few
special conditions requested by
the council upon recommendation
from community members,
business owners, and Ellen
Watters, former executive director
of the St. Anthony Park Business
Association.

The special requests include provisions for sufficient parking during all hours of the day and the addition of lighting and security cameras in the parking lot behind the building, as well as a stipulation in the license that prohibits the display of gang colors on or outside the premises.

The council submitted the

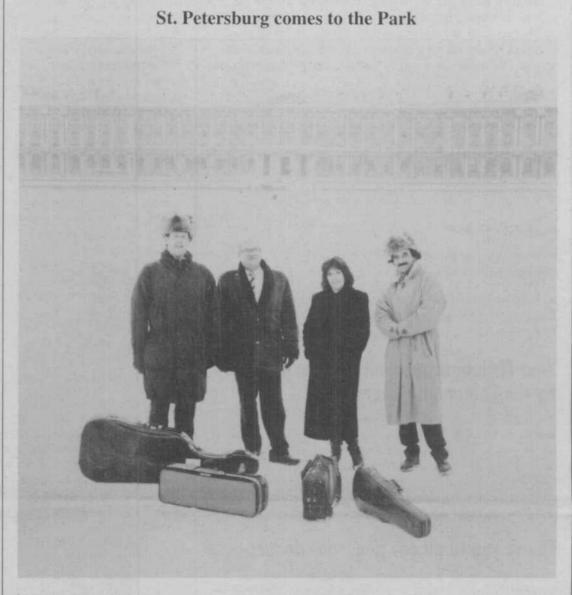
requests by letter to the city's Licensing, Inspections and Environmental Protection Department.

The request for provisions was part of the council's response to community and business

concerns raised at an October 3 meeting of the community council's physical planning committee.

The committee, along with Nguyen and building owner Tom Leonard, responded to questions and concerns from over a dozen residents and business owners about parking, safety, appearance, clientele, hours of operation and the prospect of a later application for a liquor license.

According to Watters the council "asked for the conditions in the hope that we could protect neighboring businesses from some of the possible impacts of the pool hall" moving into the neighborhood.



The St. Petersburg String Quartet makes its Minnesota debut here in St. Anthony Park on Sunday, January 12. Ensemble members include Alla Aranovskaya, violin; Ilya Teplyakov, violin; Konstantin Kats, viola; and Leonid Shukaev, cello. This Music in the Park Series concert is held at St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ.

John Teisberg's vintage fire truck zooms youngsters through the parks

by Laura Pritchett

here's a good chance you've seen John Teisberg and his old fire truck. If he's not sounding the deep, old siren in the annual St. Anthony Park parade on the Fourth of July, he's taking the neighborhood kids out for ice cream. And when it's not being used, pedestrians often stop to admire the dark red truck parked in front of Teisberg's house on Simpson Street in northwest Como Park. The truck, with its

1950s design and gold leaf decor, inspires nostalgia and excitement in young and old alike.

Children especially love the old truck, and, literally, the truck is for one such child. Teisberg bought the truck for his son, Johnny, when he was born, and so both the boy and the truck have been in the family for three and a half years. The gold medallions were aptly repainted to read "Johnny's Engine Company, Truck No. I." At a recent "fire muster," an

event where old fire trucks and their admirers gather, Johnny asked another small boy, "Where's your fire truck?" In

"Where's your fire truck?" In his world, it's standard procedure that every child have a real fire truck — and those toy versions just don't count.

Teisberg said that his truck is the "best dumb investment I've ever made. I just get so much pleasure out of it." And with it, he brings pleasure to others. He's used the truck to

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It's official — Megard is running for Mayor

by David Anger

fter months of speculation, St. Paul City Council member Bobbi Megard made her candidacy for mayor official.

This move heightens her rivalry with Mayor Norm Coleman — who recently became an official Republican and may be running for governor.

Megard believes that Coleman doesn't balance the needs of St. Paul's neighborhoods with his firecracking desire to recharge the downtown core through building several civic champions.

"I am running for mayor because St. Paul needs a leader who will focus on the whole city," said Megard.

"We need a mayor who moves beyond boosterism and builds consensus," Megard continued. "We need a mayor who knows that neighborhoods are the foundation of a city, that the creative mix of housing, retail and jobs makes a city strong. We need a mayor who understands that education and strong schools are the key to the future."

On the city council, Megard fights hard for housing and neighborhoods as well as fiscal restraint, small business growth and property tax reform. She initiated a performance audit

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St. Anthony Park Community Council

NEWS

Council actions at a glance

At its December 11th Meeting the Council:

- Voted to recommend approval of the following regarding the latest site plans on the St. Anthony Park Branch Library: the location of the addition, the general location of the proposed entries, the scale and massing of the addition, the preliminary materials selections, the preliminary exterior detailing concept and the size and arrangement of functions and building elements.
- Voted to go on record as requesting strict enforcement of the tag and tow ordinances during all snow emergencies in the 1996-1997 winter season. This message is to be sent to Stacy Becker, the head of Public Works, to Council Member Bobbi Megard, Police Commander Mike Smith, and the head of Parking Enforcement Mark Jesson.
- Voted to accept the Goals and Objectives for 1997.
- Voted to accept the proposed budget for 1997.
- Voted to accept the amended new Personnel Policies/Employee Handbook.
- There was also good discussion of organizational issues including the Strategic Plan, the Hospitality initiative, and the Community Council election process.

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Ellen Anderson proposes far-reaching gun control legislation to tackle violence

by John Marino

4-year-old girl can get shot, it's a horrifying thing," said State

Senator Ellen Anderson, who recalled the July 20, 1996, shooting death of Davisha Brantley-Gillum in St. Paul.

Brantley-Gillum's killers are still at large, but her death is known to be the result of getting caught in the crossfire between rival gangs. It occurred at the corner of University Avenue and Hamline Avenue, in the heart of Senate District 66.

During the upcoming legislative session that begins this month, Anderson - who sits on the crime committee is introducing legislation designed to get handguns out of the hands of juveniles, specifically those who engage in gangster violence.

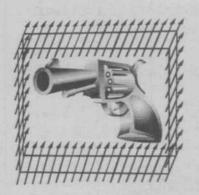
In Minnesota, people must be age 18 to legally buy a handgun from a gun shop and they must acquire a permit through the local police department. But there is no law requiring any further paperwork for selling guns. So, criminals can buy guns on the street without any record of the sale.

Anderson wants to change that, and she has proof that a change for the better can be accomplished.

"They [didn't have] a juvenile gun homicide in Boston in 1996, which is astonishing,"

she said, adding that St. Paul has endured two. "People scoff at me when I tell them that because they just can't believe it's that simple.'

What's so simple? Anderson points to what is now called the Boston Model in law enforcement circles. The Boston Police Department joined with Harvard University and created a gun tracking program.



"They found that juveniles, under 21, had a certain type of preference of guns," she said. "They tended to be newer, just like the latest sneakers, what they called 'right out of the box,' without a criminal history.'

They also found that the guns were originally obtained legally, which, Anderson said, blows a hole in the anti-gun control theory that most criminals use illegally obtained weapons.

"So it was easy to trace it back because every gun begins with a legal sale," she said. "They're doing a number of things in Boston, but this was so effective that they were able to

trace most of the guns to one dealer who was buying a carload of guns in Mississippi, where there were relaxed gun laws.

"Sure, some of them are stolen," Anderson admitted, but added, "it's like drug dealing. If you can find the kingpin, then you can make the difference."

Making a difference in the Legislature, where gun control is always an emotional topic, might be another story. The probability of passage is uncertain.

"I'm frankly astonished by the inability of most legislators to even consider a range of options on these issues, who are thoughtful on most other issues," Anderson said and cited State Senator Bob Lessard (DFL-International Falls) as one possible opponent to gun control

Lessard did not return the Bugle's phone call.

Yet, perhaps Anderson and other gun control proponents could find some encouragement in a 1994 poll in which 60 percent of the National Rifle Association's 3.3 million members favored some sort of restriction on guns.

"I talked to a lot of people about gun issues door-to-door," Anderson said, "and virtually every single person I talked to said we could do more things to keep the handguns out of the hands of young people."

Illustration by Warren Hanson



During the past 19 years these people have been **Park Hardware:**

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We both say, thank you, New and Kathy

Dave Kerr realizes dream of owning Park Hardware

by Judy Woodward

ave Kerr and his dad had a plan. When his father, Norman Kerr, retired from his job as a professor at the University of Minnesota, the two were going to buy a business together. A hardware business. Maybe even the neighborhood hardware store, Park Hardware. The only problem with the scheme was that, so far as either man knew, Park Hardware, longtime fixture of the Como Avenue shopping district of St. Anthony Park, was not for sale.

The story has a bittersweet ending. Norman Kerr died in March. Nine months later, his son is set to become Park Hardware's new owner.

"My dad died just two months before Stew [McIntosh] put the store up for sale," said Kerr in a recent interview. "When that happened, I knew [my purchase of Park Hardware] was meant to be."

Kerr, age 29, has worked in hardware stores since his graduation from Hamline University in 1991. Until recently, he was the manager of the Hamline Hardware store. For the last few weeks, he's worked as manager of Park Hardware while waiting for the sale to close.

While crediting previous owner McIntosh for being a



Stew McIntosh is selling Park Hardware to Dave Kerr, who hopes to develop the depth of the store by adding materials for large repair jobs. Photo by Trumon Olson

"square shooter" who has "served the community well," Kerr nevertheless is bringing new ideas to the hardware store.

"I want to develop the depth of the store, " explained Kerr. "Right now, people stop for odds and-ends, but don't use it as the sole source of materials for a large project. If you wanted to replumb your whole house this weekend, we could help you. But there's not enough pipe in the store to serve more than one customer that way. I want to change that."

Kerr also plans to add a small-engine repair service to the business. He hopes to reopen the basement as a sales area and convert the back of the store into a repair shop.

The self-described entrepreneurial "odd duck" in a family of professors and teachers, Kerr grew up in University Grove. His parents were both professors of microbiology, but young Dave showed an early flair for small business. "When I was 13 or 14, I had a snow blowing business with another kid. We'd check out which houses in the Grove contracted with [a commercial snow removal service] instead of shoveling their own sidewalks. Then we'd go around to those people and offer to do the same thing for less."

Kerr says he "kinda fell into" the hardware business. "I stopped by a hardware store in Roseville one June day because I was fixing my mother-in-law's lawn

mower." When told that there was a six-toeight-week wait for repairs, Kerr protested to the manager that the summer would be over before the lawn mower was fixed. "I can't find any good help," was the manager's response. Kerr, who knew a thing or two about engines, offered his services. The next morning, Kerr showed up at the store at 8 a.m. By the time the manager came in a couple of hours later, "I'd fixed eight lawn mowers." And he'd found himself a career.

Along the way, Kerr has picked up some strong views on the role of business in the

community. "I didn't like my exposure to big corporate America. I picked a small business where you can be your own boss. I don't measure success by money, more by the community. If a community does well, then the business in that community will do well. In this neighborhood, people would rather support the local stores if we carry the merchandise they need. I think you need to spend your money where you make your money."

Kerr has already begun the process of transforming himself into a friendly neighborhood shopkeeper. "I like it that every day is different at the store. We have different customers with different problems." Remarking

that outgoing owner "Stew knows everybody's name who comes in the store," Kerr added, "I have to work on that."

Then he chuckled as he described an encounter with a neighborhood boy who came in for emergency advice on how to patch a mysterious hole in the family room wall—before his mother got home. The boy's explanation of how the hole came into being was as spotty as his knowledge of wallboard repair techniques.

"Oh, we gave him a hard time," laughed Kerr. "We told him, 'Sure, we know how the hole got there. You threw your brother through the wall, right?""

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The boy never did admit what had happened, but he left with the right materials and detailed instructions for restoring the wall. And Dave Kerr had probably found himself a loyal new customer.

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Surviving January: 15 ways to outsmart Minnesota's cruelest month

o this is January, chilling cold and drastically dark. The average temperature clings around eleven above. Daylight, although often blazing bright, is brief. Call it the January funk, when people sleep and eat more and exercise less.

Worse still, experts believe that eight percent of Minnesotans suffer from Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD), which demands professional counseling. Others, who just find themselves out of sorts, can use some simple steps to outsmart the season. Here's a list of plain-speaking advice -

1) Seek light . . . Chase the sunlight during lunch. If possible, exercise during the day. Open the blinds. Let the electricity bill soar - keep the lamps on.

2) Savor scents . . . With most natural scents made dormant by layers of rock-solid snow, the fragrant smells of nature are missing. Burn candles during the day and night. Wear perfume. Buy fresh flowers.

3) Experience color . . . Seek visually stimulating outings. Visit the museums. Display bright pictures at work and home. Wear rose-colored glasses.

4) Find exercise . . . The cold and ice make exercise difficult, but not impossible. Join the gym. Stretch at home. Walk around College Park. Discover new passions, such as ice skating, martial arts and dancing. How about snowboarding? Buy a (used) piece of home exercise equipment.

5) Enjoy friends . . . In the aftermath of the champagne-popping holidays, many find the thought of plopping in front of the TV ideal. Yet, it's detrimental as well as dreary and dull. Invite friends over for Sunday night supper. Meet Mom for coffee. Cook chicken soup for the neighbors.

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6) Love music . . . Attend the Music in the Park concert. Turn on the radio. Rediscover old Beatles albums, perhaps a piece of Mahler? Play the piano. Hum aloud.

7) Wear warm clothing . . . Give your old long johns to the Goodwill. Remember cotton kills in the winter. Wear polypropylene socks and long underwear. Pull out wool sweaters and socks. Become a L.L. Bean supermodel.

8) Stay moist . . . Humidify the house. Use moisturizer. Take fewer showers and baths. Avoid piping hot water and harsh soaps. Take a steam bath.

9) Open the windows . . . Sounds odd, but open the windows - just for a moment - and let the brisk air flow inside. By doing this, germs are wiped away and invigorating fresh air enters.

10) Travel . . . Escape — anywhere. Getaways may be as farflung as Africa or as close by as Minneapolis. The important thing is to anticipate something.

11) Prepare the car . . . Don't get caught unprepared in the cold. Check the tires and battery. Get an oil change. Buy plenty of windshield wash. For emergency measure, pack a sleeping bag, blanket and candles in the car.

12) Read . . . Check out the library or bookstore. Better yet, begin tackling those books that are sitting patiently by the nightstand. Having a reading project makes even the most inclement weather sing.

13) Meditate . . . Set aside time for meditation or prayer. Consider beginning or ending the day in silence. Peace and quiet changes lives.

14) Volunteer . . . Always wanted to lend a hand at the Como Conservatory or Humane Society? The New Year is the perfect time to build new relationships. Longtime volunteers report that giving is the best vehicle for receiving joy in their own lives.

15) Love your family . . . Take the day off with your spouse. Read stories to the kids. Pluck some of these ideas for fun or do nothing at all.

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LETTERS

Traffic safety at Langford Park

In 1976 my 10-year-old son and I were playing baseball with relatives at a family gathering in a park similar to Langford Park. As most people know the streets in the Twin Cities are very narrow and much worse with cars parked on both sides.

My son ran from the park to the house to use the rest room. He ran between two cars and was struck by a hit and run driver that left him mangled with a broken leg and several scrapes and bruises, but alive, thank God. Later that evening the person was caught and let go because he was an underage person sneaking a drive in grandpa's car while grandpa napped.

My son probably would have seen the oncoming car or the driver might have seen my son if

the row of cars were not parked next to park property, similar to the Langford no parking plan.

I am troubled by the disregard for the no parking signs at Langford Park. The parents and other interested people park "illegally." They create the same dangerous situation that existed when my son was run down.

The situation is even worse in the winter hockey season. The streets are narrower because of snow, and roadway slipperiness inhibits stopping on time.

My experience has made me cautious as I drive around the park. I hope nobody ever gets hurt at the park, but the conditions exist where it is highly probable.

George Gallagher

1 YEAR AGO . . . St. Anthony Park resident Anna



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OMMENTARY

"Then the truth hits

me like a train: It's

a trick! New Year's

calculated holiday,

designed to get us to

clean up our act."



Brand new year, same old guy

by Warren Hanson

wake up early. Bright-eyed. Excited. It's January One, the very first day of a brand new year. I had been careful the night before, careful not to do anything that dulled my senses in the morning.

I stay in bed for an extra minute, prolonging the delicious suspense. My eyes are wide, and they

dart from side to side, on full alert. My ears are fine tuned. My nerve endings are keen, at full attention, and ready to detect anything out of the ordinary. For today, I expect everything to be out of the ordinary.

Fifty-seven. Fifty-eight. Fifty-nine. Sixty! I explode from beneath the covers, wrap my robe around my jammies, don my slippers on the run, and dash across the hallway to the bathroom. The switch on the wall sends the morning darkness scurrying, and the electric lights fill the room with

radiance, ready to reveal . . . what? I close my eyes, hold my breath, make a

quarter turn, and pop my twitching eyes open to see what surprise awaits me in the bathroom mirror.

But . . . what the . . . ? Why, it's just me! The same old me! The face looking back at me from the mirror is the same ordinary, imperfect face that I saw there yesterday, and the day before, and the day before that.

Puzzled, I turn around and step onto the bathroom scale. The spinning dial is a blur until a number finally lines up under the red line. It is a very familiar number. The same number as yesterday, and a pound higher than the day before. I just don't understand.

I stumble to the kitchen in a quizzical daze. I make coffee and notice my cup, unwashed, right where I left it yesterday. Yesterday? But . . . yesterday was . . . was THEN. Today is supposed to be different. Isn't it?

I open the front door and pick the newspaper out of the snow that still cakes my front steps. I check the front page. Yes, there it is. Printed right at the top of page one: "January 1." It's in the

newspaper. It must be true!

My old bones creak as I settle into my favorite chair with my coffee, my newspaper and my nagging curiosity. It's New Year's Day. It's supposed to be a whole new beginning. But, so far, nothing seems new. What's the deal? Then the truth hits me like a train:

IT'S A TRICK! My newspaper falls into my lap, my jaw drops and my eyes go wide. It's all a trick! New Year's Day is a cleverly calculated holiday, designed to get us to clean up our act. To start anew. On New Year's Day, the air is supposed to be filled with the sound of millions of new leaves being turned over. That number on the bathroom

scale? It's not going to change all by itself, just because it's a new year. No, if that number is going to go down, they expect me to make it happen MYSELF!

But who are THEY? Hmmm . . . who is behind this diabolical ruse? It can't be the government. It's way bigger than that. And besides, it's too well organized. No, this has "corporate" written all over it. The people behind this have got to be those Total Quality Management people, the ones who talk to their kids at the breakfast

table about "paradigms." They probably got the idea out of some Tom Peters book. We will each probably be given a coffee mug with the cheery message, "Happy New Year! It's a brand new day for service quality!"

Coffee mugs? We don't need no stinkin' coffee mugs. We don't need some man behind the curtain tricking us into believing that January One is something special. Why it's not special at all. Heck no! It's a regular old day with a fancy new label. And I'm the same old guy that I was yesterday and the day before and last year. You can't fool me!

Still . . . I guess it isn't such a bad idea to try to clean up my act a little. I guess I could stand to lose a pound or two. And I could get a little more exercise. And I could call my mom a little more often. It just bugs me that New Year's Day is being foisted upon us as the one day of the year when we are to straighten out our lives. I can correct the errors of my ways any old day I choose. And I think I'll choose . . . NEXT January One!

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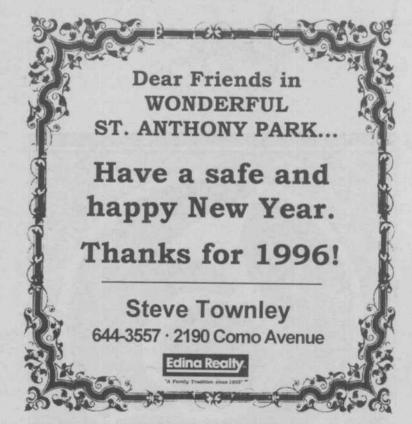
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Comstock becomes new block nurse

by Michelle Christianson

hen Becky Comstock graduated from nursing school last August, she didn't have to look very far for a job. She had been working as a home health aide in the block nurse program, and the transition from aide to nurse was seamless; she was familiar with the program, the clients and the staff.

Comstock's responsibilities as a block nurse are many and varied. She manages 25 clients and each one is unique. She sets up their medication schedules, does wound and foot care as well as assessments and followup care, gives shots, oversees each client's safety and stability, supervises home health aides, socializes with home-bound clients, and makes referrals for physical and occupational therapy.

As a child in El Paso, Texas, Comstock never envisioned becoming a nurse. She was squeamish about blood and needles and planned a career in ministry. After graduating from high school, she attended Life Bible College in Los Angeles, where she met her husband-to-be, David "Manny" Comstock. They were associate pastors for three years in Durango, Colorado, and for seven years in Dallas, but when Manny's mother died they came back to the family home in

with the block nurse program."

St. Anthony Park (right across from Langford Park). Manny began full-time work with Federal Express, for whom he had worked part-time in Dallas.

Becky was content to stay at home with their three children, Sunny (now 15), Katie (13) and David (9), but after her daughter was hospitalized for an extended period she had new respect for and an interest in nursing. She began studying to become an RN at Lakewood Community College in 1993, and when she saw an ad in Speedy Market for home health aide trainees in 1995, she decided to respond.

"I just fell in love with this program. I have always had a heart for older folks and working with Linda (Morlock) is great. She's a wealth of knowledge and gave me lots of opportunities to learn on the job."

Becky says that the best part of the job is the staff-and the clients-and the autonomy-and the relationship with the doctors. In other words she likes her job. "I go to work with a smile on my face every day."

Comstock basically sets her own schedule, working about

20-25 hours each week. This way she can spend time with her children as well as with her clients. She sees the jobs of mother and nurse as not so different.

"Each position involves nurturing and requires flexibility. Things can change so fast that you have to be ready for anything!"

Comstock is appreciative of the support that the Block Nurse Program receives from the community and is well aware of the respected reputation that the program has in the area.

The Comstock's are very active in their church, Faith Chapel in White Bear Lake. The church, which they helped to found, now has 75 members and because there are so many young families, Becky Comstock is the oldest mother in the congregation, a fact that delights her.

Comstock intends to continue with her schooling and get her public health certificate. She would like to get some clinical experience in a hospital or nursing home. But for now she is content to be the new nurse on the block.

Lauderdale's property taxes decline slightly

By Pete Keith

he City of Lauderdale's budget was recently approved, showing some interesting numbers and trends for the future of this small city.

The city's budget for the general fund (used to pay for city services) is increasing by 9.6 percent over 1996. Most of the revenues to cover the operation of city services come from property taxes paid by the city's property owners.

To fund this increase, the 1997 net levy (the actual dollars that will be collected from property owners) will increase 15.4 percent to approximately \$332,000.

According to City Administrator Tim Cruikshank, "Most of those additional dollars being collected and budgeted will be reserved for future infrastructure improvements."

Despite the increases in the budget and levy, the property tax rate, which determines the city's revenue from property taxes, is actually decreasing by one percent.

The primary reason that the rate is lower for 1997 is twofold. First is an increase in "fiscal disparities" to Lauderdale. These are dollars that flow from cities with high tax leases due to numerous commercial and industrial properties (which pay higher property taxes than residential properties) to cities like Lauderdale, with lower tax bases.

But more importantly, the tax capacity (a reflection of the total assessed property values) for Lauderdale has increased significantly, by 16.6 percent over 1996. Because of this capacity increase, the tax rate (the percentage of the tax capacity actually levied and collected) can actually be somewhat lower, while still generating the higher revenue desired for future infrastructure improvements.

Why has the tax capacity increased so much? There are two reasons. First, assessed

property values have increased. For example, the median single family household value increased from \$71,400 to \$73,300, reported Shelly Eldridge of the Ramsey County Tax Accounting Office.

But more significantly, the tax capacity calculations have thresholds, above which the capacity rates increase. So as property values increase, their capacity rates increase disproportionately. A home valued at \$100,000 has twice the tax capacity as a home of \$63,000, and therefore higher taxes, because of a threshold at \$72,000.

Current efforts by Lauderdale could allow tax rates to be further reduced in the future. To do this, the city must increase its commercial and industrial component of tax bases as these types of properties are taxed at a substantially higher rate than a homesteaded property.

Cruikshank said the city is working cooperatively with the University of Minnesota to develop the university's property west of Highway 280 into commercial and industrial property, thus generating tax revenue. And recent cleanup

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efforts at the property now occupied by Bolger Publications will allow the company to expand its operations, adding to the tax capacity.

These efforts will allow Lauderdale to fund future needs, while minimizing the tax burden on homeowners.

Crime concerns at University and Raymond

by Jennifer Thorson

he retail and commercial corner of University and Raymond has seen it's share of problems. Tenants and building owners are concerned about the possible arrival of a billiard hall, fire halting business at the neighborhood coffee shop, and the closing of Mill City Cafe. All these things considered, consumer traffic is slower.

Then last year the area experienced a slight upturn in crime. But now tenants and business owners are taking a proactive approach to tackling crime.

After an October burglary at the Minnesota Women's Press bookstore at 771 Raymond Avenue, employees began thinking about how to better protect themselves and the facility.

First, one employee visited each of their neighbors on Raymond and heard reports of similar crimes: there were two break-ins at the Security Building, a purse snatching at an office in the Baker Building, and burglaries at Succotash and Herbst.

They also reported the incidents to the police and the St. Anthony Park Community Council. The police of red to provide some crime prevention

training through a program called FORCE, which stands for Focusing Our Resources on Community Empowerment.

Kathy Magnuson, general manager of the Minnesota Women's Press, established a meeting with St. Paul Police Crime Prevention Officer Dan Cermack. Next, a flier was distributed, inviting the corner's businesses to the December 3 meeting.

Although only six people attended the meeting — which addressed issues such as detecting shoplifters and bad checks, what to do during a burglary and how businesses can work together to prevent crime — people viewed the meeting as helpful.

"We had a good discussion among the people present," said one area employee, "and we came up with the idea of a telephone network, so we can alert one another about suspicious things."

The telephone network is simply a listing of business owners' (or other contact person) names and their phone numbers, but it is an important tool in building community. One worker said they now know many of their neighbors names.

The group also considered establishing a neighborhood

watch, similar to those in residential neighborhoods. Well publicized, the watch would "make a discouraging environment," continued the employee, "and lets the criminals know we aren't naive."

Establishing a neighborhood watch would require more meetings and networking, they said, but maintained that businesses getting to know each other is key to crime prevention.

"Mainly, it's just being connected in the neighborhood," they explained, "Now, there's a network that has happened because people have done something together, and there could be even more of us."

Since the meeting there haven't been any more incidents in the Minnesota Women's Press bookstore, a fact that is attributed either to criminals simply "moving on," or that "we're a little smarter, and much more alert" about making the store inhospitable to criminals.

Still, crime prevention is a "community effort," stressed the concerned employee. The Raymond and University corner is a "nice, diverse area," they said, "and a lot of people have a stake" in making it safe.

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Como High's fast-talking debate team

by David Anger

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Park High School
enthusiastically
report that their
extracurricular activity of choice
is one of the fastest, brainiest,
quickest and wackiest sports.

Besides being tons of eggheadish fun, debate also cultivates life-enhancing tools, from researching to analytical skills and from strategic planning to public speaking savvy.

Still, debate isn't easy.
The time commitment is hefty.
Tournaments span over two
days, including Saturdays.
Many competitions are out-oftown, requiring overnight stays.

Before the tournaments, the prep time is lengthy. Debaters log major hours researching their cases as well as their opponents'.

Instead of hanging out at the mall, find these smart young adults at the Hill Reference or Wilson libraries. Then, on top of the research time come practice rounds, which are especially vital for young teams.

The rarified world of debate is a distinct subculture, possessing its own language. Words and phrases such as prima facie, inherency and solvency rule. Acronyms are big. Dress is important too—jackets and ties for the boys, skirts and blouses for the girls.

Debate rounds involve four players and a judge. Teams must be prepared to play either affirmative or negative. The affirmative team presents the case, while the negative team attacks the plan.

Time matters. Judges carry timers, like coaches at track and field meets. Each debater is given an eight-minute speech. These presentations are followed by three-minute, Perry Masonstyle cross examinations. At the end, debaters offer five-minute rebuttals. Prep time between each speech spans a precious



Como High School is the only city school in a suburban-dominated extracurricular activity. This year's topic considers ways to reduce juvenile. Here, Assistant Coach Christopher Teske (far left, rear) and Coach Jim Casey (far right, front) join debaters for a photo op. Photo by Iruman Olson

three minutes.

This year rounds begin with the proclamation: "Be it resolved that the federal government establish a plan to substantially reduce juvenile crime." Next year's topic is made public by late spring.

On the debate circuit Como Park is neither stealing the show nor bombing. Their case advocating the legalization of pot — lost steam in November. About that plan, debater Dennis Brannon sighed, "There's lots of evidence against it."

Even so, Coach Jim Casey, a 17-year-veteran, puts a positive spin on their record: "We have about a 50 percent or better success rate, which is respectable for a young team."

Most of Como's
participants are either freshmen
or sophomores, competing on
the novice and junior varsity
level. Being accomplished
students, these debaters also

excel at other pursuits. For instance, most of the team appeared in the school's hit production of *Guys and Dolls*.

Now, Casey concedes,
"We're kind of rusty." Still, the
team isn't slacking off. They're
working up a new case for the
regional tournament, which they
hope guides them to state.

But winning doesn't motivate every debater. "One of the most fun things is shattering people's assumption about city schools," said Dan Plagens. "The suburban kids think that Como is a ghetto, and then we get up and tear their cases apart."

Not everyone is all ra-ra about debate. As one of the two young women on the team, Juanita Lewis often finds herself out of the loop. She stays in the game because she hopes to study law, many attorneys are former debaters

True enough, debaters

advance to great things in life. Alumni of the sport find work as TV reporters, physicians, carpenters, architects, advertising czars, President and even community newspaper editors.

But is debate cool? "No," said Lewis flatly. "Other kids think that nerds do it," explained Mike LaPlante, while Brannon offers a different view, "More people respect us than we think."

Still, debaters flourish without the benefit of band-playing pep rallies and ga-ga fans. It can be lonely. Plagens concluded, "Some people 'dis' on any sort of intellectual experience."

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KID-BITS

Murray Junior High police liaison now working part-time

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The St. Anthony Business Association objects to the move and has written letters to the school, school board, Police Chief Finney, Mayor Coleman and the city council.

"The officer has been a real presence," said Lisa Griffin, president of the parent organization. "He really knows how to deal with students appropriately and has a heart of gold. He goes to Speedy Market after school, he shows up at soccer games and he makes himself available in a variety of situations."

"It makes sense to me that the secondary schools in St. Paul should be a priority. So many kids are at loose ends, are 'gang wannabees' and benefit from the interaction. The kids who aren't prone to get into trouble benefit from a sense of safety as well. That kind of contact doesn't happen when the officers are out in their cars."

Neighborhood businesses are also upset with the cut-back. Tim Faacks, co-owner of Tim and Tom's Speedy Market, said they have benefited from the officer's presence in the area.

The funding for the fulltime post was reduced and redirected toward the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program.

Como Zoo and Conservatory host youth and family classes

Discover the wonder of the world's rain forests at the eighth annual Como Rain Forest Program, hosted by the Como Park Conservatory and Como Zoo.

The first round of classes begins on Saturday, January 18 and is also available on Sunday, January 19 as well as Saturday, January 25 and Sunday, January 26. The class is also offered during February and March.

Visitors to the zoo and conservatory during the rain forest program learn first-hand about the ecosystem's plants, animals and people through a series of interpretative scenes. Additional exhibits include tropical birds, fruit bats and other zoo animals native to the rain forest. Children's face painting featuring traditional designs - will involve visitors in discussions about indigenous

rain forest

people.

Available classes include "Rain forest musical instruments" (k-8), "We be slimin" (k-8), "Whose bravin' the cold at Como Zoo" (k-3) and "Origami" (family).

To register call Diane Berchem at 487-8272.

Sports registrations

* Registration for Langford Park-South St. Anthony instructional volleyball — boys and girls, ages 11 to 14 — runs from January 27 to February 7 at Langford Park.

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Hockey and basketball tournaments

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The annual event features a 11U hockey tournament plus girls' 12U and 10U basketball tournaments. Concessions benefit youth athletics at Langford Park and South St. Anthony rec centers.

Winter sports days

Langford Park's annual Winter Sports Day takes place on Saturday, January 18 and Sunday, January 19. Besides hosting skating races, hockey and basketball, the event features the crowning of Prince Anthony and Princess Antonia.



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way that only a dog's can.



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Despite my protestations that I have an article to write, he is undaunted. He wants to go for a walk.

I found Marlow last winter at the Humane Society of Ramsey County, located on the southern edge of Como Park at 1115 Beulah Lane. The shelter exists to promote respect for animal life, and eliminate animal

homelessness and abuse. It protects both domestic and wild animals through education and the care and sheltering of animals. Aside from the typical population of dogs and cats, the shelter occasionally houses rabbits, birds gerbils, and

guinea pigs. The Humane Society of Ramsey County is the oldest animal protection agency in the area. It was founded in 1878 as the St. Paul Society for the Prevention of Cruelty (to both children and animals). The organization began sheltering animals at its own facility in the mid-1920s. In 1955, it changed its name to the St. Paul Humane Society and again in 1978 to the Humane Society of Ramsey County.

Karen Weber holds two beautiful kittens who are hoping for loving homes.

But the name can be deceiving. Karen Weber, communications and development associate, said that the name implies government funding and affiliation, which is not the case. Each shelter is self-supporting and does not rely on a national organization for oversight or funding. It is a

these sites, and her dog loves all the provide a semblance of normal life hospital or shelter, and the dogs are and never discriminate," Kelner sai Beyond providing shelter for a Humane Society of Ramsey County Department. Last year, nearly 1,000

prosecuted by the city attorney. Perhaps what the shelter is best

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Humane Society of Ramsey County provides a special home for animals

by Laura Pritchett

donor-supported, private, nonprofit organization. Fifty-five percent of the shelter's income comes from fundraising, 40 percent from adoption fees and merchandise sales, and 5 percent from other sources.

Since donations are they key to survival, the organization sponsors several events to meet its needs. One is the annual "Black Tie and Tails" benefit auction in March at Bandana Square. The

in for Animals" at Como Park. 000 participants (including the nelter. Associated with this is hich a roaming trophy goes to Another special fundraising in White Bear Lake that takes irect-mail, phone-a-thons, and ast holiday season, the society ser, the first joint fundraising he six metro humane societies. n relies heavily on volunteers. ers, but is always looking for aking the dogs on a walk at least tivity is the fostering of r cats, young litters, injured, temporary basis to provide care

shelter is "Companion Animal on pet or a shelter animal to ng list is long — children's and shelter, homes for the elderly or for a pet to visit. In fact, Jan noted that when she takes her nity, many residents are waiting see individuals had pets in the red. Kelner said that she hears st popular program at many of on too. "These visits can particularly to the children in a fect visitor—for they are patient

and outreach programs, the arries a Cruelty Investigations ame in from concerned citizens ct. Three of these cases were

for, however, is a place where

animals can be adopted. This is further publicized through the WCCO-TV "Adopt a Pet" segment and a program on the St. Paul Neighborhood Network Channel. When potential pet companions arrive at the shelter, they are made aware of the huge responsibility that comes with adopting a pet. Weber said that it is essential that potential pet owners understand that receiving a pet is a life-time commitment. Finding a good match is also important. For instance, a couple who is never home ought to reconsider adopting a puppy who has never been left alone.

If Emerson's statement "Happy is the house that shelters a friend" is true, the Humane Society of Ramsey County is one happy place.

As a companion of one of their dogs, I know how that joy has been transferred to my own home. And now that Marlow is chasing his tail, I know that he will not be put off any longer. It's time to take that walk.

Photographs by Andrea Rugg



Humane Society volunteer Brian Haarstick walks Cocoa.

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Council approves library general design

by Jennifer Thorson

he Physical Planning
Committee of the
St. Anthony Park
Community Council
heard a presentation from library
renovation architect Phillip
Broussard of Architron at their
December 5 meeting.

Although the committee, and hence the full community council, was unable to make a recommendation on the proposed expansion because the site plan submitted to the City of St. Paul has not yet been returned, committee chair Bob Arndorfer said they had a "good discussion" about the library.

Still, a number of issues remain unresolved. Regardless of some unfinished details, he made a motion that the committee bring a recommendation to the full council that they approve the "general plan . . . to keep the process moving."

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The community council approved the "general plan" on December 11, which includes the location of the addition, the position of entryways and the scale of the addition.

Of the issues under consideration are parking and the

bookdrop location.

Arlene West, chair of the library renovation design team, explained that the St. Anthony Park Library Association carries a "responsibility to the neighborhood not to add to the congestion on the street," and therefore proposed two parking spaces on the Carter Avenue alley.

This plan, however, has been opposed by neighbors on the block, citing safety hazards. West said the association is trying to "ease that opposition" and is looking into other option, such as sharing the Children's Home Society lot.

"We're trying to find a balance for the business area and the community," she said. "We are hoping we can find off-street spots for the staff, but it's still a question."

West also reported that no changes will be made to the exterior of the existing building, which is on the national historic register and cannot, by law, be altered without consent from various agencies.

Plans for an elevator and an entrance off the Carter alley, added for compliance with federal law requiring accessibility, have received "preliminary approval" from the Minnesota Historical Society

Some decisions about the exterior of the building have been made and cost estimates are in the works, West said, "and as we get more specific, the estimate become more concrete."

"At our last meeting," she continued, "we came up with cost under budget. I'm confident that we're going to have very nice building within the budget."

Some community member's fears may also be laid to rest; Arndorfer and West reported that the addition will have a tile roof and it will have brick that matches the original library as closely as possible.

Over the next month, West said, the association will continue to fine tune the design and return to the physical planning committee on January 9.

Upon committee and full council approval, Broussard will seek bids from contractors.

West tentatively places a construction start date in the spring. "The process is going along very well," West said, "... it is a challenging location and building to make an addition to."

City studying Midway Parkway plan

by Jane McClure

fter years of work by community members, the Midway Parkway/West Como small area plan is at City Hall.

The plan centers on an area bounded by the north city limits — Hamline, Como and Snelling avenues. The Como Community Council recommended approval of the plan in November.

When the plan is eventually adopted by the St. Paul City Council, it will join several other neighborhoods' small area plans. Then, the plans become part of the city's overall land use and comprehensive plans.

The main goal for the Midway Parkway/West Como small area plan is to conserve and strengthen the neighborhood, enhancing its stability, property values, tax base and attractiveness.

The neighborhood possesses two large icons, Como Park to the east and the Minnesota State Fairgrounds to the west. While those entities can be a great benefit, traffic and parking can create a lot of pressure for residents.

The plan outlines several strategies that will be used to reach the goal:

 Conserve and improve neighborhood housing;

• Improve relationships between institutional uses, immediate residential neighbors and the community;

• Improve public open space, including updating and incorporating parts of the Midway Parkway Redevelopment Plan as part of the small area plan. The plan for the parkway itself was adopted in 1989;

 Work with city agencies, Metropolitan Council Transit
 Operations and others to provide appropriate infrastructure and full accessibility for area residents, employees and visitors with minimum adverse impact on the neighborhood.

 Revitalize commercial property on the Como Avenue commercial strip, emphasizing a neighborhood business orientation.

•Revitalize the industrial property to the south and west with compatible new development. The plan outlines how each of the goals can be reached and which community groups and city agencies will be involved in helping achieve the goal.

The process began in June of 1992. At the time, the neighborhood was wrestling with a number of issues, including institutional expansion, traffic pressures from the Minnesota State Fair and Como Park users, the decline of the business district and the need for better recreation facilities.

The St. Paul Planning
Commission first considered the
proposal at a public hearing last
month.

Megard runs for mayor . . . from page 1

program to measure the quality and cost of using business plans to revitalize housing development in the city.

A 30-year resident of St. Paul, Megard is serving her second term on the city council, representing St. Anthony Park as well as parts of Merriam Park and Como Park.

Besides her council
position, Megard sits on the
boards of the League of
Minnesota Cities, the Children's
Initiative and the Minneapolis/
St. Paul Family Housing Fund.

Before her 1993 election, Megard served as community organizer for the St. Anthony Park Community Council and as executive director of the St. Paul League of Women Voters.

Along with State Senator

Sandy Pappas and City Council President Dave Thune, Megard is seeking DFL endorsement. Unlike these candidates — who run virtually unopposed for their respective seats — Megard has successfully turned back serious political challenges. Last year, she won reelection with more than 58 percent of the vote.

The Megard Volunteer
Committee is being co-chaired
by Lois Quam and Neil Thao.
Wanda Lorentzen is treasurer.

ARTS EVENTS

EXHIBITS

Raymond Avenue Gallery is featuring an exhibition of recent work by Tim Crane, "Vases . . . and then some." The artist studied under Warren MacKenzie at the University of Minnesota and displays his works at the both the Raymond Avenue Gallery and the Warren MacKenzie Gallery, among others. This exhibit continues through the month. The gallery is located at 761 Raymond Avenue. For information call 644-9200.

CLASSES

Como Park Conservatory is offering several art classes this winter, including beginning drawing, pastel drawing, watercolors, and photographing flowers. Classes begin in mid-January. Fees range from \$20 to \$85. For information call 487-8274 or 487-8272.

MUSIC

Music in the Park Series is presenting the Minnesota debut of the internationally acclaimed St. Petersburg String Quartet on Sunday, January 12 at 4 p.m., at St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ. Direct from the heart of Russia, the much renowned quartet celebrates its tenth anniversary with a U.S. tour that has produced standingroom only houses, rave reviews and standing ovations. This is the St. Petersburg Quartet's only Twin Cities' appearance.

The ensembles' upcoming performance surveys three eras of Russian music, beginning with the Quartet No. 1 (1992) by 21-year-old St. Petersburg composer and virtuoso pianist Natalya Medvedovskaya. Besides presenting this 1992 work, the quartet will also perform Shostakovich Quartet No. 3, Op. 73, in F Major and the dramatic Tchaikovsky Quartet No. 2, Op. 22, in F Major.

Since forming the quartet in 1985, the ensemble has won several prizes, including the Special Prize for Best Performance at the First International Shostakovich Competition for String Quartets in 1987. They also garnered the Silver Medal and Special Prize at the 1989 Tokyo International Competition of Chamber Ensembles and the 1991 Grand Prize at the International



Music in the Park Series presents the Minnesota debut of the St. Petersburg String Quartet on Sunday, January 12 at 4 p.m. Photo by Vodim Jegorovsky

Competition for Chamber Ensembles.

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Noted pianist and Luther Seminary alumnus Charles "Jake" Dyrhaug is presenting a benefit concert entitled "An Evening of Piano Music and Songs about Lutherans" on Monday, January 27, 7 p.m., at Luther Seminary's chapel. The evening includes classical piano music plus ragtime and novelty songs.

Dyrhaug, a 1993 Luther Seminary graduate, is pastor of Grace Lutheran Church in Brandon, Minnesota. He most recently performed for the National Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Conference in Colorado.

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Music Under Glass returns to the Como Conservatory on Thursday, January 16, when Mary Lou and David Peterman take center stage in the sunken garden at noon. Set among the pink Azaleas and Cyclamen, the vocal and keyboard duo will perform modern classical and new age selections. People are encouraged to bring a bag lunch to enjoy during the concert. Lunches can also be ordered through the Como Lakeside Pavilion at 488-4920. Tickets are complimentary thanks to a generous grant by the Merrill Corporation. For information call 487-8200.

St. Anthony Park resident Georgette Lobbe-Pfannkuch narrates the Lyra Concert's performance on Saturday, February 1, 8 p.m., at Luther Seminary's chapel. Frederick Holmgren and Robert Rieder present trumpet solos. The ensemble features the music of Couperin, Fux and Vivaldi. Tickets cost \$15 and \$13 (seniors and MPR members). This presentation is repeated the next day at the Wayzata Community Church at 3 p.m. For information call 404-9632.

TALKS

Artist Kinji Akagawa talks about "My Personal Inquiry into Public and Studio Art" on Thursday, January 23, 7 to 8:30 p.m., at the Como Park Conservatory. Other speakers include John Caddy and Joe Paddock discussing "The Poetry of Deep Connections" on Thursday, January 16 and Vera Wong considers "With Open Eyes: Drawing Life from Nature" on Thursday, January 30. Lectures cost \$10. For information call 487-8272.

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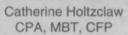
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Como Conservatory needs volunteers

Como Park Conservatory is searching for volunteers to staff several important programs.

- Connecting the Earth through the Arts: Thursday evening from January 16 to February 6, 6 to 9 p.m. Duties involve setting up chairs, greeting the public and putting chairs and benches away.
- Daytime Music Under Glass and Evenings Under Glass: Thursday afternoon from January 16 to February 20 or every Thursday evening from February 13 to March 20. Responsibilities include setting up box lunches, greeting visitors and setting up chairs.
- Rain Forest Awareness: Saturday and Sunday between January 18 and February 12. Duties encompass greeting visitors and staffing portable exhibits.

To volunteer call Karyn Thompson at 487-8247.

Winter landscaping and gardening classes

Como Park Conservatory is offering three landscaping classes this winter: Designing a Butterfly Garden, Basics in Landscape Design and Energy Conscious Landscaping. These classes begin on Tuesday, January 14 and run through Saturday, February 1. Plants and gardening classes are also available, including Seed Collecting, Drying and Pressing Flowers, Raised-Bed Gardening and Container Gardening. To register call 487-8272.

FALCON HEIGHTS

Citizenship application workshop

"One-stop shopping" workshops for people applying for U.S. citizenship is set for Thursday, January 16, 6:30 p.m., at the International Institute of Minnesota. Eligible applicants can get help with their forms, get photographs and fingerprints, meet immigration officials and submit their applications. Reservations can be made by calling 647-0191.

LAUDERDALE

Let it snow — parking restrictions

City Hall staffers remind residents to be aware of winter parking restrictions. Remember: after a two-inch snow fall no parking is allowed north of Larpenteur Avenue for 48 hours or until plowed. Parking is available in the City Park's parking lot until the streets have been plowed.

Snow Commotion on February 8

Staking, sliding, medallion searches and hay rides top the list on winter-friendly activities at the annual Snow Commotion Day on Saturday, February 8 from 2 to 5 p.m. The fun takes place in the park at Roselawn and Fulham. Snacks and hot drinks will be served inside the warming house.

Town meeting on February 4

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, February 4 at 7:30 p.m., when city officials host the second town meeting about the Capital Improvement Plan. At this meeting, a draft of the plan — including costs of the proposed projects and funding sources — will be presented.

ST. ANTHONY PARK

Clay Center's moving day is set for May

After six years in St. Anthony Park at University and Raymond avenues, the Northern Clay Center is moving across the Mississippi River to Minneapolis this May.

The center's new home will be in the Seward neighborhood. Its new facility is a former

Searching for a new look? Andy Warhol wore one, so did Mozart. Debbie's Custom Hair in Milton Square creates fabulous wigs. Photo by Truman Olson







Nancy Roth recently opened a top-notch second-hand furnishings shop in Falcon Heights, next door to Blomberg Pharmacy. Beyond carrying lots of tables and sofas, Roth's store brims with smaller finds. Photo by Trumon Olson

manufacturing building at 2424 East Franklin Avenue, which it is purchasing with the Seward Neighborhood Group. The two non-profit groups expect to spend almost \$1 million renovating the 20,000-square-foot building into offices and meeting rooms plus classrooms, artist studios, ceramic kilns, exhibition gallery and a gift shop.

"We deeply regret having to leave our present site, but we needed to reduce our operating costs and increase our space," said Emily Galusha, the Clay Center's executive director.

The center rents its current space at 2375 University Avenue. Its lease expires in May and efforts to purchase the building were unsuccessful.

Luther's mid-winter convocation

Set your calendars for January 8 through 10, when six of Luther Seminary's astute faculty lead the school's 59th annual Mid-Winter Convocation.

Academics James Burtness, Paul Sponheim, Mary Knutsen, Gerhard Forde, Lee Snook and Pat Keifert address the theme of "What are we up to? Systemic Theologians at work."

Luther Seminary President David Tiede speaks about "Repentance and Faith for the Journey" in a Bible study on Thursday, January 9.

Registration is encouraged. The cost of registration on or before December 16 is \$50, while at the door registration costs \$65. Tickets to the

January 9 banquet are \$12.50. For registration information call 641-3451.

Luther's lay classes

The history of Scandinavian Lutheranism, the New Testament and new perspective about God and Jesus Christ are three courses offered through Luther Seminary's Lay School of Theology. Classes meet on five Mondays from 7 to 9 p.m. in Northwestern Hall at the corner of Hendon and Fulham streets. Registration is \$40 per course. For information call 641-3517.

Improved recycling schedule

Beginning January 8, St. Anthony Park will benefit from an improved recycling schedule featuring pickup every other Wednesday. For more information call 644-7678 or the community council at 292-7884.

UCC's rededication service

St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ's rededication service is set for Sunday, January 5.

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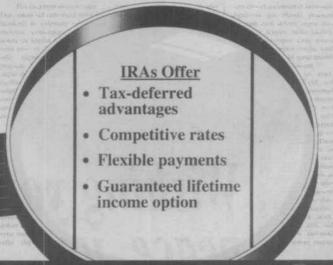
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take kids to their first day at school and has driven a bride and groom to their honeymoon suite. During the summer, he often takes the local kids to Dairy Queen. On his return during one of these outings, he was surprised to find two more children than he started out with. The children, apparently, had climbed in the truck with the rest of the youngsters, leaving their bewildered uncle back at the ice cream shop.

Teisberg's truck was built in 1950 and first used by the city of Mahtomedi. It then served several local fire departments before ending up in Duluth, which is where Teisberg found it. Because the truck only has 13,000 miles, it still contains all the original parts, including the engine, tires, and water hoses. There's a 500 gallon water tank in the back, which is fully operational. Teisberg has

"The truck is the hest dumb investment I've ever made. I get so much pleasure out of it."

- John Teisberg

purchased a few small items for the truck — nozzles, extra hose, and helmets — but everything else remains the same as it was 47 years ago.

The truck is a unique shade of red, a result of the preference



John Teisberg went all out for his son's birthday — the Como Park resident bought a vintage fire truck. "It's just a real sweet thing to look at," he says.

of the original painter. Instead of the usual bright cherry red color, this truck is slightly darker. The red paint, and the gold leaf decorating the truck, are also original.

The International Harvester body houses a six cylinder, 89 horse power, Blue Diamond engine. The design of fire trucks has changed dramatically since this one was built, Teisberg said. Firefighters used to cling to the rear of the truck as it dashed to the scene of a fire. Unfortunately, sometimes men and equipment fell off, and recent designs are box-shaped and are meant to enclose and protect the firefighters and apparatus.

Like many vehicles built back then, this truck has a double clutch, and so driving isn't easy. In fact, when the truck was being used in Mahtomedi, one volunteer driver couldn't figure out how to shift the gears. To get to a fire, the man had to make a 20 mile run in second gear, and, needless to say, the house was done burning by the time he arrived.

But the truck also had its successful rescues, and was in use for nearly 40 years. It was taken out of service about five years ago, when it entered into a new stage of its history. Now it's a regular in several area parades. Teisberg also takes his truck to various "fire musters," where up to 100 trucks—many antique—convene. One such gathering takes place in Burnsville every autumn. Teisberg is also a member of the Fire Museum in Minneapolis.

"It reminds me of the trucks I used to play with as a kid," Teisberg commented, while gazing out the window at the truck parked in its winter resting spot behind his house. "It's just a real sweet thing to look at."



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR



26 THURSDAY

■ Boxing Day

29 SUNDAY

■ Teen Night, South St. Anthony Park Rec. Center, 7-10 p.m.

31 TUESDAY

New Year's Eve

WEDNESDAY

■ New Year's Day

2 THURSDAY

Parent-child play group, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell Avenue, 10 a.m.-noon. Every Thursday.

3 FRIDAY

- Falcon Heights recycling day
- Youth Activity Night grades 7 to 12 - St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 7-11 p.m. Every Friday.

4 SATURDAY

■ Teen night, Langford Park, 7 to 10 p.m.

5 SUNDAY

Rededication service of St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 2129 Commonwealth Avenue, 10 a.m. worship; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12:20 p.m. rededication.

6 MONDAY

- School starts again
- Boys Scouts, St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 7 p.m. Call 644-4175. Every Monday.
- AA, St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 8 p.m. Call 647-9446 or 770-2646. Every Monday.
- Teen Night, Langford Park Rec Center, 7-10 p.m.

7 TUESDAY

■ Toastmasters, Hewlett Packard, 2025 W. Larpenteur, 7:30 a.m. Call 649-4265. Every Tuesday.

WEDNESDAY

- St. Anthony Park recycling day
- Luther Seminary's mid-winter convocation begins
- Leisure Center, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Every Wednesday.
- Falcon Heights City Council, City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 7 p.m.

9 THURSDAY

■ Physical Planning Committee, St. Anthony Park Community Council, 890 Cromwell, 7 p.m.

11 SATURDAY

■ Teen night, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 7 to 10 p.m.

13 MONDAY

- Como Park recycling day
- Park Press, Inc. Park Bugle board meeting, ParkBank,
- Falconeers Senior Club, Falcon Heights City, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 1-3:30 p.m.

14 TUESDAY

- Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street, 7:30 p.m.
- St. Anthony Park Association, St. Anthony United Methodist Church, dinner at 6:30 p.m.

15 WEDNESDAY

- Langford Booster Club, Langford Park Rec Center, 7:30 p.m.
- Full council, St. Anthony Park Community Council, 890 Cromwell, 7 p.m.

17 FRIDAY

■ Falcon Heights and Lauderdale recycling day

18 SATURDAY

- Lauderdale "500" Club, City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street, 1 p.m.
- Teen night, Langford Park, 7 to 10 p.m.

19 SUNDAY

■ Falcon Heights recycling day

20 MONDAY

■ Martin Luther King Day

registration at Holy Childhood Catholic Church, 1435 Midway Pkwy., 9:30-11 a.m. Call 644-7495; or St. Anthony Park

■ FareSHARE distribution and

Lutheran Church, 2323 Como

Avenue., 8:30-10:30 a.m. Call

645-0371. Lauderdale "500" Club,

1891 Walnut Street, 1 p.m.

■ Teen Night, Langford Park Rec Center, 7-10 p.m.

21 TUESDAY

■ District 10 Como Community Council, 7 p.m., call 644-3889 for



22 WEDNESDAY

- Como Park and St. Anthony Park recycling day
- Housing and human services committee, St. Anthony Park Community Council, 890 Cromwell, 5:30 p.m.
- Environment committee, St. Anthony Park Community Council, 890 Cromwell, 7 p.m.

25 SATURDAY

■ Teen Night, South St. Anthony Park Rec Center, 7-10 p.m.

27 MONDAY

■ Como Park recycling day

■ Falconeers Senior Club, Falcon Heights City, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 1-3:30 p.m.

- "An evening of Piano Music and Songs about Lutherans" with Charles "Jake" Dyrhaug, Luther Seminary's chapel, Hendon at Fulham streets, 7 p.m.
- St. Anthony Park Block Nurse Program, Board of Directors, St. Anthony Park Library, 7:30 p.m

28 TUESDAY

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

29 WEDNESDAY

■ Falcon Heights City Council, City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur,

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Lorraine Anderson

Lorraine O. Anderson died on November 18. She was 76 years old.

Anderson was a resident of Como Park and a member of Como Park Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her husband, Edward; sons, Tom, Bob, and Jim; 13 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; brother, Robert Olson; and sister, Audrey Smothers.

Leonora Collatz

Leonora J. A. Collatz, age 81, died on December 4. She was a former resident of St. Anthony Park, who lived for many years on Larpenteur Avenue in Falcon Heights. In recent months, she was a resident of Presbyterian Homes of Arden Hills.

Born in Duluth, Collatz graduated from the University of Minnesota and Catholic University in Washington, D.C., with degrees in nursing. She spent 25 years with the Minnesota Board of Nursing.

After retiring, Collatz worked with 4-H and was an active volunteer. She hauled many loads of donated foods from her church to the local food shelves. She was a charter member of Corpus Christi Catholic Church.

She is survived by cousins, nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews.

Vernon Hokanson

Vernon K. Hokanson, longtime St. Anthony Park resident, died on December 7. He was 83 years of age.

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

Survivors include his wife, Elaine; daughters, Mary Wedin of Connecticut, Karla Hokanson of St. Paul, Cynthia Durham of California, and Pam Brooks of St. Paul; grandchildren, Ben, Andrew, Caitlin Brooks, and Maddy Durham; and many sisters, brothers, nieces, and nephews.

Edith Krantz

Edith L. Koeneke Krantz died suddenly on November 28. She was 64.

Krantz grew up in
St. Anthony Park on
Commonwealth Avenue and was
a graduate of Murray High
School in the class of 1949. After
graduating from the University of
Minnesota with a degree in
elementary education and a
master's in media science, she
worked as a media specialist in
Golden Valley and New Hope.

Since 1975 she spent her summers operating the family resort, Koeneke Shoredge, in Lutsen on the North Shore. She served as a board member for the Metropolitan Boys' Choir for several years and was a member of Brunswick United Methodist Church in Crystal.

Preceded in death by her parents, Herbert and Elmira

Koeneke, and granddaughter, Sara Bergly, she is survived by son Mark of Salt Lake City; daughter, Karen Bergly of New Hope; grandsons, Matthew and Jonathan Bergly of New Hope; former husband, Joris Krantz of Minneapolis; and two brothers, Karl Koeneke of Mundelein, Illinois, and Frantz Koeneke of Denver, Colorado.

Mabel Larsen

Mabel B. Larsen, age 86, died on November 12. She was a resident of Lyngblomsten Care Center.

Larsen was preceded in death by her husband, Earl. Survivors include sister, Helen Winges; and several cousins.

Gertrude Sorteberg

Gertrude I. Sorteberg, resident of Lauderdale for 60 years, died on November 29. She was 88 years old.

Sorteberg lived on Walnut Street for many years, then in recent times moved to Fulham. She was a charter member of Corpus Christi Catholic Church.

Preceded in death by her husband, Jacob, she is survived by sons, Robert of Roseville, Edward of Mounds View, and John of Eagan; daughter, Marleen Zechmeister of Brooklyn Park; 18 grandchildren; 27 greatgrandchildren; brother, Vincent Laqua of Minneapolis; and two sisters, Betty Bauch of St. Paul and Isabel Topness of Arlington, Virginia.

Compiled by Ann Bulger

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With the contributions from those listed below, our fund drive has collected \$8,200.

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PEOPLE



Ed Kohler — 1992 Minnesota State High School cross country ski champion — is captain of the University of Wisconsin at Green Bay ski team. In 1995, he went to Spain as a member of the U.S. team competing in the World University Games. Kohler is the son of Ed Kohler, a Como Park resident and realtor.

Elizabeth Rushenberg is a member of the Chi Kappa Epsilon Honor Society of Civil Engineering at the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana. The 1993 graduate of Como High School frequently tops the dean's list. She is set to graduate this spring. Her parents are Cheryl and David Rushenberg of Como Park.

Eric Bergerud, a 1966 graduate of Murray High School and son of Earl and June Bergerud of St. Anthony Park, recently published Touched with Fire: The Land War in the South Pacific (Viking). The book documents the lives of regular infantrymen who struggled to contain the Japanese advance. For this effort, he is the recipient of the 1996 General Wallace M. Greene, Jr., Award from the Marine Corps Historical Foundation. Bergerud is a professor of military and American history at Lincoln University in San Francisco. He is the author of two highly regarded books on the Vietnam War - Red Thunder, Tropic Lightning and The Dynamics of Defeat. He lives in Albany, California.







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Monday Schedule

7 pm Old Testament 301 (Nursery available)

Wednesday Schedule

6:45 am Bible Study at Key's/Lexington 9:30 am Beginning Adult Handbells 10:30 am Old Testament 301

5:15 pm MEAL for everyone (Adults \$3, kids 15 years and under \$2, not to exceed \$10 per family)

6 pm Choir School, Joyful Ringers 7 pm Life With God (Adult Ed), Confirmation, CPL Choir 7:30 pm "MIDWEEK" (High School Youth) 8:30 pm Compline

Friday Schedule

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