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John Marty runs for governor

State Senator hopes to upset DFL's favorite sons

by David Anger

ven though John Marty bombed at the ballot box against Arne Carlson in 1994, the State Senator from Roseville — who led the cry against a taxpayer-financed Twins stadium — is waging an uphill battle to win the DFL gubernatorial nomination.

Marty, who also represents Falcon Heights and Lauderdale, is a self-described underdog and joins a crowded DFL race dominated by the children of famous men, namely Mark Dayton, Hubert Humphrey III, Mike Freeman, and Ted Mondale.

Still, Marty said, "I have been pleased with the positive response we have received. We have opened an office, we're hiring staff, and we've received encouragement, dedicated volunteers, and many contributions."

Marty believes that his reform-oriented politics will resonate with voters, especially since his name recognition is much higher than it was four years ago. In addition, Marty said that 1994 was a Republican landslide in which Minnesotans, typically more progressive voters than the rest of the union, elected the conservative Rod Gram over liberal Ann Wynia to represent

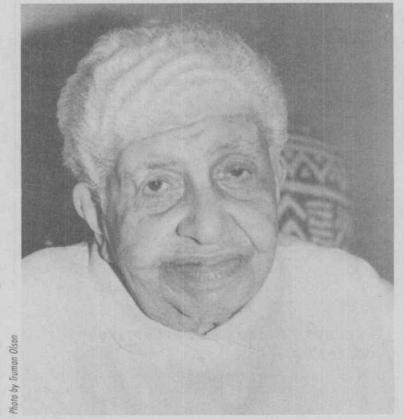


them in the U.S. Senate.

The State Senator said that he learned from the 1994 debacle, adding that he has developed an election-winning strategy.

Marty's political career began in 1986, when he was elected to the State Senate at the age of 29. Six years later, he won the DFL gubernatorial nod over Hennepin County Attorney Mike Freeman. While Marty barely won 35 percent of the vote (the worst in DFL history), he won reelection to the State Senate two years later with 62 percent of the vote.

Once again, Marty is running on a good government platform. As an advocate of campaign finance reform, he is rejecting large contributions from individuals as well as donations from special interest groups. His other concerns include antismoking legislation, medical insurance reform, environmental protection, and education funding.



Laura Jeffrey: An American pioneer in the Park

by Judy Woodward

knew I was African-American, but I never thought I'd be part of history," says 82-year-old Laura Jeffrey. It's safe to say that Black History Month wasn't high in Jeffrey's mind forty years ago when she became the first African-American at the St. Paul Public Library to earn a master's degree in librarianship. A year later, in 1959, she became the first — and so far only — black person to head the St. Anthony Park Branch Library.

There are unsubstantiated reports of an earlier black employee at the St. Anthony Park Branch, and Jeffrey herself mentioned that a woman named Frances Hughes was probably the first black person to work for the library system. But, as far as anyone knows, Jeffrey was making history when she was put in charge of the St. Anthony Park Library.

Jeffrey grew up in St. Paul and graduated from Macalester College in 1935. She became a librarian partly because she was rebuffed, on account of her race, in her first choice of profession. "They wouldn't hire me to teach in the St. Paul Public Schools. A little later they were going to hire a black teacher — just one."

Jeffrey didn't get that job, so she started working for the downtown branch of the St. Paul Library in 1951, instead. She never considered getting a professional library degree until she became acting head of the Arlington Branch in the mid-fifties.

"I never thought of myself as a pioneer. I was there at the St. Anthony Park Library to be the best kind of librarian I could be."

"I decided that if I was doing the job, I might as well get the degree and have the title," she recalls. Over the next three years, she attended library science classes at the University of Minnesota while working full-time at the library.

A matter-of-fact woman who never married, Jeffrey is not given to easy rhetorical flourishes. Like

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Communities challenge billboard blight

by Jane McClure

hen the Cromwell
Bar was torn down
last year and
replaced with a
large two-sided billboard, property
owner Joe Commers thought he
was doing the neighborhood a
favor. Now, many neighbors and
the St. Anthony Park Community
Council disagree, saying the large
billboards on the site are more of a
blight than the old brick building
ever was.

What happened at University
Avenue and Highway 280
reflects a trend that has affected
St. Anthony Park and other
neighborhoods near freeways.
Billboard companies, using a city
code-designated system of sign
credits, take down smaller signs in
neighborhoods and put up larger
new signs in higher-traffic
locations. That trend raises red
flags in neighborhoods where
residents and business owners
now find themselves looking at
larger signs.

It also is a concern for former Ward 4 Council Member Bobbi Megard and her successor, Jay Benanav. Benanav is taking on Megard's plan to enact a moratorium on new billboards and a St. Paul Planning Commission study of the city's current billboard regulations.

Although most City Council members favor a study of the billboard ordinance, feelings are mixed about a moratorium. The moratorium would ban any new billboards until the study is completed. On a 7-0 vote, the City

Council passed ordinances calling for the study and moratorium last November. Mayor Norm Coleman vetoed the two measures in late December. But with four new City Council members now in place, it is unclear whether there is enough support to override the veto by early February.

"It's very frustrating and disappointing," said Megard after the December 30 meeting, her last on the City Council. "I can't understand why there would be such a problem with studying this and enacting a moratorium. The ordinance we have obviously isn't working."

Megard's intent was to allow no new billboards after January 1, until the city sign ordinance could be studied. St. Paul has about 1,200 billboards. Since 1988, 39 signs have been removed. A total of 18 new signs have been erected in that same ten-year period for a net loss of 21 signs, said St. Paul Licensing Director Robert Kessler.

Contending that the moratorium and billboard study are anti-business, Coleman vetoed the two ordinances. Deputy Mayor Tim Marx said the mayor would also veto the ordinance finalizing the moratorium. The administration would be willing to work on a study of the existing sign ordinance and look at possible changes, he said.

Coleman said the city already has a "very strict ordinance" regulating billboards. "The City Council's decision to enact a significant restraint on business activity is not justified," Coleman stated in his letter announcing the veto.

The sign ordinance was last

updated in 1988. New rooftop signs were banned. Regulations were also set limiting sign size and the space between signs. Signs that did not comply with the code were grandfathered in. The 1988 changes allow sign companies to remove signs and accumulate sign credits, which allow them to put up new signs in other places. Signs can be put up without sign credits if locations meet distance, height and setback requirements.

Coleman does concede that the sign credit policy is confusing, adding it has not prevented the overall effectiveness of the sign ordinance from limiting the location and number of new signs which have been erected. He said that fewer than eight billboards have been erected in the last four years.

Megard disagreed, stating the Billboards to page 7



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St. Anthony Park Community Council

NEWS

Happy New Year from the St. Anthony Park Community Council!



The Community Council welcomes neighbors to its February 11 meeting at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Community Room at the South St. Anthony Park Recreation Center.

Need help?

Call us at 292-7884. We can provide you with information and usually find an answer to your question. The Community Council is ready to assist you. We help many residents with issues from parking to zoning and planning issues. We also get involved in environmental causes, housing issues, and crime prevention. If you are a senior citizen and need help in your home or yard, call us for information on the Senior Chore Service. We are here to make St. Anthony Park a safer, more involved community.

Expanded Home and Garden Show set for April 4th

The appearance of the Greater Midway Home and Garden Show is a sure sign that winter can't last forever! Set for Saturday, April 4, the show will feature home improvement vendors and how-to workshops from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mark your calendars!

Recycling Bins

Do you need an extra recycling bin? Bins can be picked up at the Council offices, 890 Cromwell Avenue, in the South St. Anthony Park Rec Center between 8:30 and 4:30 daily. Please call ahead to make sure we have an adequate supply. Our phone number is 292-7884.

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Laura Jeffrey . . . from page 1

many native Minnesotans, she'll never be accused of selfdramatization or being overly fond of the sound of her own voice. Tersely, she explains, "I never thought of myself as a pioneer. I was there at the St. Anthony Park Library to be the best kind of librarian I could be, so I didn't worry about being the first or last."

Then, as now, the Park was a highly educated community with a sprinkling of black families. Jeffrey remembers few problems in the nine years she ran the library. "The people who worked for me were very supportive, and I had support from the community."

Then, after a pause, she recalls a person who didn't - or rather, wouldn't - work for her. "One woman applied for a job and then wouldn't take it when she found out she'd be working

Not that Jeffrey ever forgot her heritage. "I always knew I was black," she remarks wryly, "because there was always

Jeffrey retired from the library in the late 1970s and still lives in St. Paul. Although slowed by physical ailments, she remains a strong supporter of libraries and a voracious reader. Lately, black authors from Walter Mosley to Toni Cade Bambara have been her

"Okay. My message is that everyone should do the best they can with what they've got, and then get on with the job."

someone to remind me. A lot of do-gooders some of them. Some whites just about bent over backwards to appear unprejudiced. There was a kind of condescension about them."

Stoically, Jeffrey reports that she "just kind of ignored" incidents based on whites' imperfect understanding of her race, while she carried on with her job. "You did the best job you could, although you knew being black, you had to work harder.'

top choices. "I also liked that woman who wrote Waiting to Exhale," she reports.

Asked if she has a message for the younger generation, her response is characteristically tart, "That kind of thing has always left me a little cold. I've never been into leaving messages."

Then she relents. "Okay. My message is that everybody should do the best they can with what they've got, and then get on with the job."

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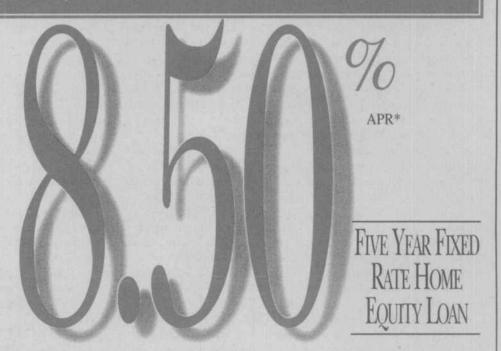
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Neighbor serves on Caldecott committee

St. Anthony Park's Alice Neve will help select best literature for kids

t. Anthony Park resident Alice Neve, youth service coordinator for the St. Paul Public Library, will soon begin serving a one-year term as a member of the Caldecott Award Selection Committee. The Caldecott is a coveted award of distinction which has a history dating back to 1937. The 15-member committee selects the most distinguished American picture book for children from books published during the preceding calendar year.

Each year the Caldecott and Newbery Medals are awarded by the American Library Association. Both medals were created, said Frederic C. Melcher, "to encourage original and creative work in the field of books for children; to emphasize to the

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public that contributions to the literature for children deserve similar recognition to poetry, plays, or novels; and to give those librarians who make it their life work to serve children's reading



interests an opportunity to encourage good writing in this field."

Neve has been working to increase children's opportunities and reading interests for close to

30 years.

Becoming a member of

the committee is an honor, a recognition

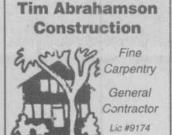
of many years of commitment, and one more example of her saying yes to the promotion of children's literature and literacy. Neve was invited to serve on the committee by Elizabeth Watson, president of the Association of Library Services to Children. The first group of books for her to read and consider will be arriving shortly. In the meantime, Neve has been reading about the system and criteria set up for selecting a Caldecott Medal winner.

When asked how she was going to fit the added work on top of her full-time job and family role, Neve replied, "I've never considered reading to be work!"

But she did admit that by the end of the year she might want a small vacation from one of her favorite activities.

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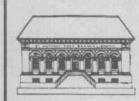


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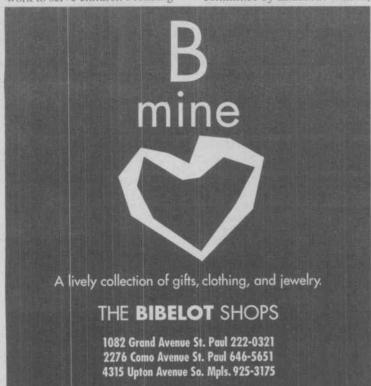
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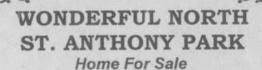


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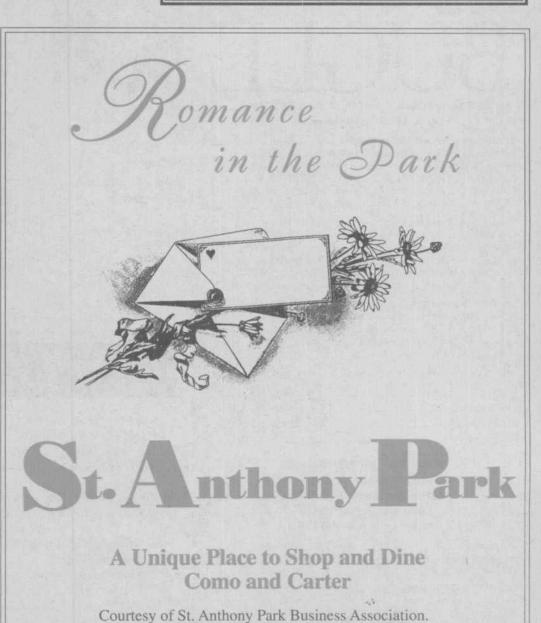
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Before moving to Minnesota, Laura grew up on a cattle ranch in Colorado. She holds bachelor's and master's degrees in English. Her previous experience encompasses teaching plus editing the Commonwealth Terrace Cooperative newsletter, technical writing, and an internship at Milkweed Editions. In addition, Laura possesses a keen sense of the area's values plus a knowledge of the paper's history. With respect to tradition, Laura intends to continue our centerpiece section and neighbor profiles. Still, nothing remains the same. Look forward to Laura Pritchett inventions on these pages.

Running a community newspaper isn't easy. It is a labor of love. Despite its limitations, the job is great and it will, as has been my experience, take her to people and places that will be life enriching. I'll miss my bike rides down Como Avenue, snickerdoodle cookies at Taste of Scandinavia, and laughs with beloved Bugle colleagues. Thank you, readers, for exploring this neighborhood with me for 32 issues. Do you ever want to read another design story? It is time to say good bye. My pen is running out of ink. Laura's, however, is full of possibilities and promise. So let's welcome Laura.

— David Anger

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Against St. Anthony Park library dome

Although the presentation drawings for the additions of the children's room at the St. Anthony Park Branch Library may be very well done, the concept of a round building with a dome roof, if built, will present serious acoustical problems. The space will

be a cacophony of intolerable noise because all the sounds are focused.

In the late 1950s
St. Thomas the Apostle
Church in south
Minneapolis built a round
chapel for its nuns. Every
priest who was unfamiliar
with the building was
warned by the nuns to
speak softly. The present

priest reports that the space is no longer used.

The library room will be considerably worse with children using the space. Sound absorbing materials on the walls and ceiling will be of little value. The roommay never be used for anything but stacks and storage.

— William E. Davies

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COMMENTARY



More than a hobby

by Natalie Zett

once took up a hobby. Because I had no natural ability in it, I assumed it would be a short-term affair. Eight years later, no one is more surprised than I that this hobby, martial arts, has become a major component of my life. Like all relationships, it has often consumed and inspired me. At other times, it's annoyed me to the point where the remaining few sparks don't seem worth stirring up. Yet they rekindle somehow, and the cycle continues.

My first exposure to martial arts came through a self-defense class. This piqued my interest, which led to more in-depth study. This brought forth hope — what was possible, how far could I go with this?

I'll never forget my first year of martial arts training and still wonder why I stayed. It seemed a debacle comprised of a series of disgraceful episodes. First was the mortification of realizing that most students (especially the children) performed the moves with greater ease than I. Then, I failed my first test! Now, this was untrodden ground — I was used to excelling in intellectual undertakings and assumed that would impart into my training. In fact, my ability to overanalyze and intellectualize proved my undoing in the martial arts. Fortunately, my instructor sensed my anguish and said, "Keep showing up and working hard. You'll get it eventually."

I began working hard — harder, in fact, than I had ever worked at anything. I began tapping into a different type of wisdom — one that resided in my body. This intelligence bypassed my thinking processes by moving, blocking, and protecting me

from punches and kicks long before my mind caught up. Eventually, my skill increased (and I began passing tests!). At first, it was about testing and moving up through the ranks toward the ubiquitous black belt. But "belt chasing" seldom holds people's attention when the going gets tough, which it does.

Throughout my career I've had mostly wonderful (though occasionally dreadful) instructors and fellow students. The greatest challenge, though, has come from dealing with the hydra within comprised of multiple layers of fears and anger.

I faced a lot of things in my training that were, frankly, uncomfortable — tremendous strides followed by interminably long plateaus. During those frightening times, I seemed to be regressing. That was where the unique camaraderie of fellow artists came in. In martial arts training you get to know the essence, the intent, of people. You detect it through the way they train and especially how they interact with you in sparring situations. There is often no time for the social niceties other than the strict etiquette of the art. You are too busy moving, learning, sparring, and generally getting stripped to the core of your being to make small talk.

The effects of this did not go unnoticed by friends and family. Some were amused, others annoyed that this engulfed most of my free time. A friend I hadn't seen for years remarked, "You seem very peaceful and calm. I didn't think you could do calm!" My favorite comment, though, came from my nineteen-year-old nephew who said, "I told all my friends that my aunt could kick all our butts at the same time! Cool, huh?!"

Though this makes for interesting conversation, I seldom tell people anymore that I train. When I do, they inevitably ask, "Ever use that stuff?" I used to say "no," because interestingly enough, since I started training, I'm better at avoiding potentially violent situations. But when I reflect on the focus, the discipline, the self-awareness and, yes, the ability to take care of myself, I usually respond, "I use it every day of my life."

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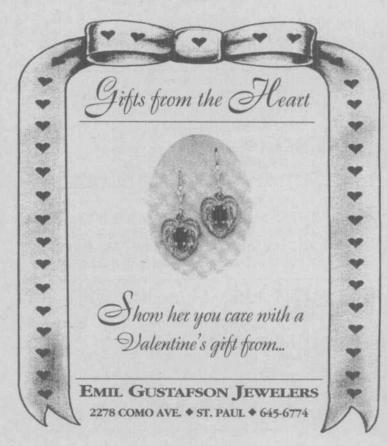
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Area code 651

First impressions by a Lauderdalian

by Kirstin D. Anderson

ast Metro will get new 651 area code" caught my eye in the January 6th issue of the St. Paul Pioneer Press. "Well," I thought, "now I know." I started wondering: "What's the best way to remember 651?" — not an idle thought when I've just recently moved.

Although my St. Paul phone number remained the same, I had to add 1713, 184, and 55113 to the tip of my tongue.

Hills, . . . and other points east get 651." I know Lauderdale is small, but having been featured earlier as one of the best places to live in the Twin Cities area, I couldn't accept that we were non-existent.

Ah, "For a map see Page 3B." And there we were, not forgotten at all. Not only were we mentioned on the map, we were included on the west side of the dividing line. "We get to keep 612!"

"But that's crazy!" I thought, and I found myself wanting to have one more new number in my life. It doesn't make sense to keep 612. I live in Ramsey County, not Hennepin, Lauderdale mail is delivered through St. Paul (55108) and Roseville (55113) post offices, not Minneapolis. Lauderdale is in the St. Paul phone book, not Minneapolis. The freeway (280) separates us from Minneapolis in more ways than one line on the map. Part of Luther Seminary student housing is in Lauderdale, so they'll have to be dialing ten digits to call up the

hill? A campus divided? Absurd.

On the other hand, there is a small part of Lauderdale on the other side of 280, where some businesses are located. I wonder if they feel more allied to Minneapolis, even though their mail comes through St. Paul. If I were a business owner, with a phone number well established, I would not be concerned about calling long distance to my area church, library and close friends. I would be delighted to be saving the expense involved when

We people in Lauderdale get to keep area code 612.

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such a change is made.

On the other hand, that may be a very brief sigh of relief for business folks, especially if they use St. Paul in their mailing address. I suspect my friends, who know I live in the greater St. Paul area, will know of the change and call the new area code, only to find they have reached a wrong number. The same is likely to be true of Lauderdale businesses, since the phone company and the media will see to it there is no lack of advertising regarding the change.

Maybe, even if I were a business person, I would prefer to make the change now rather than worry about the possibility of forever remaining digitally separated from my St. Paul connections.

Bottom line — I want to stay with my neighbors and not be separated from my St. Paul community. Give me a 6! Give me a 5! Give me a 1! Hooray! ■

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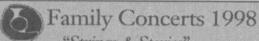
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"I'll see you at the progressive dinner"

Gerald McKay thinks this event is the best thing the Park Association does next to the Fourth of July celebration. Plus peek inside your neighbors' homes.

by Michelle Christianson

hat!?! You say
you're going to
miss the St.
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You say that you don't know the details? Well you and friends, neighbors, acquaintances meet for appetizers at the United Methodist Church on Como between 5:30 and 6:20 p.m. Then at 6:30 p.m. you meet with a small group of six to eight for salad at a home in the area that you may not have gotten to visit before. At 7:30 p.m. the groups join another bunch for the main dish and the evening finishes at still another location with dessert and coffee with different people. The time allotted for the last course is from 8:45 to 9:45 p.m., but, of course, conversation could last longer.

Don't know how to sign up for the dinner? Fill out the form in this issue or call Marcie O'Connor, the progressive dinner chair, at 645-2043.

So, you say that you're a vegetarian? Believe it or not, the organizers of this event have taken that into account. There is a place to check on the form for vegetarian entrees, so you will have no beef-eating worries there.

Aha! I can anticipate your next concern. You would prefer locations that are handicap accessible. There is a place to note that on the form, too. In the past, some people have worked out driving arrangements, coming with grown children or friends. So don't let that stop you.

What's that you say? You're a little shy? Just moved into the neighborhood and don't know many people? Then this is the perfect activity. People come to this dinner to meet new people as well as to cement existing relationships. Diane Young, who chaired this event for the last three years, first came the year she moved from New York in 1989 and has only missed one dinner since. She appreciated the warm atmosphere and the stimulating conversation.

Speaking of not missing any dinners, if I may digress, Gerald McKay has been to all 11 of them! He likes to see what people are doing with their houses and has appreciated the chance to try new food. One year it snowed so hard that his group had to shovel their way into the first house. "And it was worth it!" His wife always makes lemon pie for dessert, and a friend of theirs always stops over after the dinner to have a piece no matter where else he has been. McKay thinks this event is "the best thing the Association does after the Fourth of July celebration."

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So you say you're going to try it? Great! I'll see you there! (I hope to visit Marcie O'Connor's home for the entree — she always makes Indian food!)

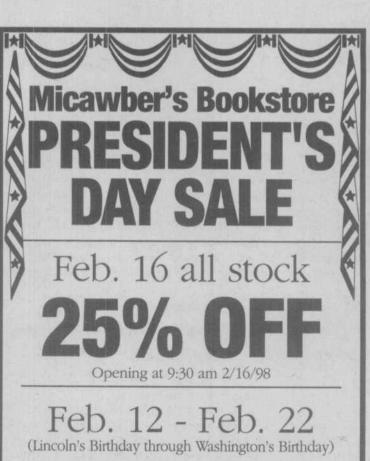
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Billboards . . . from page 1

confusion caused a situation last year in which two competing billboard companies wrangled over locating in the same area of Vandalia and Interstate 94. That case is in mediation.

Representatives of district councils, the Friends of the Parks and Trails of St. Paul and Ramsey County, and the Scenic America/Scenic Minnesota antibillboard group spoke in support of the moratorium and study at public hearings December 22 and January 17. Several speakers complained about the intrusive nature of billboards, especially large billboards.

Billboard company representatives, representatives of unions whose members manufacture billboards and the city's Business Review Council disagree, saying a study of the ordinance can be conducted without a moratorium. Some also said the current sign ordinance works fine and needs no changes.

St. Anthony Park Community Council Executive Director Heather Worthington and Commers squared off over a new two-sided billboard at University and Highway 280 in December. Commers, who owns Commers Company real estate firm, recently bought the property and tore down the old Cromwell Bar that had stood there for many years. The Cromwell had a rooftop billboard.

Commers said the income

from the new two-sided billboard has helped him redevelop the site.

But the St. Anthony Park Community Council strongly disagrees with Commers definition of beauty. Worthington said that site plans for the Cromwell property showed a parking lot, not a billboard, and that district council members were surprised to see large billboards there. "We see the University and 280 area as a gateway, and a large, V-shaped billboard is not an appropriate gateway," she said.

Highland Village and Grand



Avenue are two of the neighborhoods with special sign districts, which prohibit new billboards and in some cases call for all existing billboards to be taken down.

"Why have Ward Three and Ford Parkway gotten special privileges?" asked Benanav. He said that Highway 280 could also be placed in a special sign district. His constituents' neighborhoods along freeways are "bombarded" with large billboards, he said. "That's not a very good visual introduction to St. Paul."



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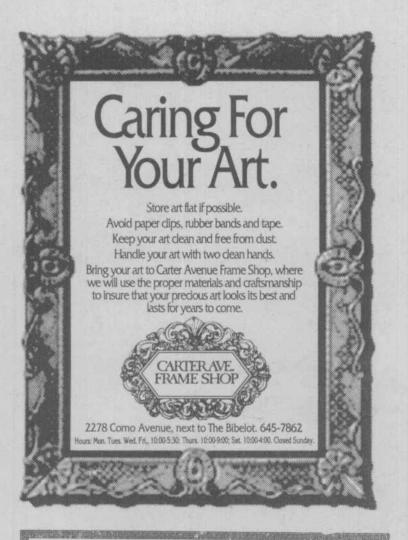
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The Architectui A St. Anthony I

by David Anger

oe Michels' office at 2239 Como is bursting with his architectural imprint. The front door is a wooden leviathan, embellished with vertical wooden slats and a curious door handle. Inside the small entryway a steep and narrow staircase, where a rush of wood paneling echoes its incline, points toward Michels' studio. Upstairs, a prairie-style stainglass window welcomes visitors. Here, an interesting melange of wood, composed at various angles, underscores the architect's design ethos. It's a little bit Frank Lloyd Wright, a dash of Japan and Finland, way more California than New York, and a lot Joe Michels. History matters. Tiffany and prairie school posters decorate the walls and an ionic column hides behind a large ficus tree. Nowadays, he's designing a cabin on Lake Superior, although the dusty IBM typewriter sitting on a round wooden table offers a clue that Michels' practice isn't in full gear. Even so, Michels' stamp on this neighborhood is undeniable, encompassing the bus shelters and benches along Como Avenue, ParkBank's award-winning drive-in facility at Como and Doswell, and numerous residences throughout St. Anthony Park and

Michels has been practicing his craft in St. Anthony Park since 1960. First he kept an office above Sharrett's at University and Raymond avenues, then worked out of his home before setttling on a perch over-looking Milton Square in 1966. Still, his architectural odyssey began much earlier in his hometown of Milwaukee. During high school he was sent to Chicago for a career apitude test. He took the exam at the John J. Glesner House, H.H. Richardson's extraordinary residential creation of 1885. After witnessing the home's powerful Romanesque statement, the desire to practice architecture never left him. And while serving in the Navy, Michels spent hours devouring "Space, Time and Architecture" magazine in the USO's

University Grove.

Soon thereafter Michels began studying architecture at the University of Minnesota. At school he toured Frank Lloyd Wright's Wiley House the master's inaugural Usonian House - in neighboring Prospect Park. Michels never forgot the Wiley House, particularly its design unity in which the furnishings and architecture sung in harmony. However, during the midcentury Frank Lloyd Wright was terribly out of style - a strange notion to ponder in our contemporary epidemic of Wright calendars, books and bibelots. Still, Wright's penchant for natural materials plus his individualistic imprimatur were considered passe and precious. The machine age had arrived. Architecture schools across the country began preaching the virtues of modernism, especially glass, glass, glass and steel, steel, steel. Architects such as Michels, who favored organic forms and natural materials, were out of the loop. And the Twin Cities' design scene took a turn toward European modernism when the inventive Ralph Rapson - dubbed "Hatewood" by his detractors - became head of the university's school of architecture.

Michels gravitated toward the Graffunder's firm after completing Michels, honors wood and glass, ev idiosyncratic. Indeed, Michels is a composer who has found few orche work. "I've been a loner in the field he doesn't keep a resume or vitae. more successful," shaugged the arcl maneuvers he relied on his design: to propel his career. Andy Boss, he Boss as president of ParkBank who financial institution's drive-in facili

It is pure Michels and the resul completion, are sublime. There's n approachable and the execution is a arrangement of cement bricks on th assemblage. What's more, the site i urban flavor by placing the structure windswept parking lot before a sma believes that he should have designed A blueprint of Michels' design rests about it, his design was more compl chosen architect did absorb his idea





Clockwise: A St. Anthony Park residen underappreciated neighborhood icon; This designed and appointed by Michels; and I absorbing Frank Lloyd Wright's residenti

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Now, at retirement age, Michels is keenly aware of his place in local history and the fragility of his legacy. He understands that our urban environment is vastly underappreciated. He, along with his wife, Eileen, who is an architectural historian, are fervent preservationists. They own four elevator doors from the great Metropolitan Building, one of Minneapolis' most tragic acts of architectural destruction. Still, Michels', and countless others, affection for the turn-of-the-century jewel proves that architecture is eternal. It can be destroyed and trampled on, yet it never disappears. True enough, 37 years since its demolition people remember the building fondly, while darn few can name who served as mayor of Minneapolis in 1961.

Glancing out the window to Como Avenue, Michels sighed, "The shelters will be here for a short time. Someone will eventually come along and tear them down. It's too bad because if we waited, if we were patient, they too would become part of history, like the library and Milton Square." Yet, Joe Michels' concerns seem unwarranted. No doubt about it, Michel's designs are already a memorable highlight of St. Anthony Park's endearing landscape and enduring history.









Joe Michels; The architect's kiosk at the corner of Como and Carter is a much used yet us shelter reveals Michels' affection for things Japanese; The architect's former living room — ParkBank's drive-in bank at Como and Doswell is architecturally complex yet highly livable, within a commercial setting.

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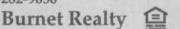
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Be my valentine

All seniors age 70 and over are invited to a "Be my valentine" party sponsored by the Community Network for Seniors. The party will be held at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church on Saturday, February 14 from 1:30 to 3:30 pm.

Reservations may be made with any church office or by calling the Block Nurse Program office at 642-9052.

Martin Luther commemoration

Luther Seminary is holding a special service to commemorate Martin Luther on Wednesday, Feburary 18 at 10 a.m. The service will be in the Chapel of the Incarnation in the Olson Campus Center on the corner of Hendon and Fulham streets.

Jewish-Christian seminar

The presence and absence of God in the midst of suffering, as seen through the Book of Job, is the focus of the 13th Jewish-Christian Seminar at Luther Seminary on Monday, March 30. Registration for the full one-day conference is \$30 and includes lunch. Advance registration is due March 23. Call 641-3416 for more information.

YOUTH NEWS

Como Park ski team

The Minnesota Youth Ski League began its 10th season last month. Now, children ages 4 to 14 are welcome to participate in the non-profit venture, which meets on Sundays from 2 to 3:30 p.m. through February.

The weekly sessions consider many aspects of skiing, including proper clothing, equipment selection, technique, introductory ski games and advanced lessons for those with some experience on skinny skis.

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Mounds Park Academy open house

Prospective kindergarten through 12th grade students and their parents are invited to attend an Open House/Information session at Mounds Park Academy on Thursday, February 5 from 7 to 9 p.m. The school is located at 2051 East Larpenteur Avenue in Maplewood. Call Eve Stoebner at 777-6788 for information.

ARTS EVENTS

Music in the Park stages two concerts

The Music in the Park Series begins its Family Concert schedule February 6 with "Strings and Stories," featuring such string instruments as the mandolin, Chinese pipa (lute) and guitar. The first concert, on Friday, February 6, spotlights "Mandolin Mania" with Peter Ostroushko, Joan Griffith and friends. Performances are set for 6:15 and 7:30 p.m. at the St. Anthony Park

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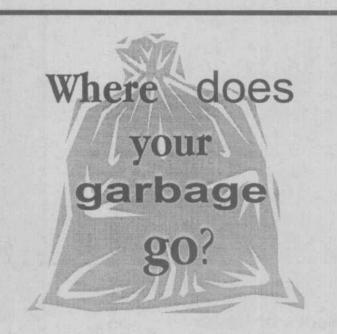
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Fishing Buddies: An interracial dialogue

by Judy Woodward

hey're longtime fishing buddies with almost everything in common. Both are 67 years old, professional psychologists who grew up poor but, by dint of hard work and natural ability, achieved satisfying careers and are now enjoying a comfortable retirement. They're family men whose 30-year friendship has allowed them to watch each other's children grow up.

In only one respect they differ. But 130 years after the

"On a covert level, race relations may be worse; but overtly and legally, they're better. Sixty years ago we would never have been friends."

Emancipation Proclamation, almost 40 years past the end of legal segregation, and mid-way through President Clinton's designated year of interracial dialog, their difference is one that most Americans still find an impossible barrier to cross.

Garland Meadows is black; his good friend John Sineps is white.

One recent afternoon, Meadows and Sineps met to discuss the subject of race and to a ponder why their friendship should be considered so unusual that somebody wanted to put them in the newspaper because of it.

Meadows is a slender, elegant man who wears a loose, multihued sweater with an air of casual grace. White-haired Sineps is a more substantial, earthbound figure in his cloth cap and navy blue wool jacket. Like all old friends, they sometimes finish each other's thoughts and don't hesitate to set each other straight on the facts. "John taught me how to fish," declares Meadows. "No, I don't think so," his friend cuts in. "I hadn't done that much fishing before we met."

Whatever the details, the two men agree that their friendship began in a fishing boat. In the late 1960s Meadows and Sineps' wife were professional colleagues.

Iohn Sineps's wife
was pregnant, so
Meadows was invited
to take her place on a
fishing trip. It was to
be the first of many.
"In those days,"
remembers Meadows
with the rueful smile
of a gentleman considering the
little betrayals of an aging body,

When the fish weren't biting, the men talked. And talked. It's a conversation

"we could sit in the boat for

10 hours at a time.'

that's been going on and deepening ever since. "The most amazing conversations come up while we're sitting in the boat. Things

about our childhood, our beliefs," says Meadows. "Gar asks the most penetrating questions," adds Sineps. "Relentless, but kind questions. He had understanding that won't quit."

Race doesn't come up very often in their conversations. "I'm aware that John is white and I'm black," says Meadows. Sineps chimes in, "But race doesn't affe whether or not we're going to catch walleye."

Still, neither man is going to forget what they refer to as the

Still, neither man is going to forget what they refer to as the "geese episode." Meadows explained that a few years ago they hired a local fishing guide near Alexandria, "John was in the front of the boat, I was in the center, and the guide was at the back," said Meadows, "when I noticed some birds which looked like cormorants." Meadows aske the guide what the birds were called, and the young man replied cheerfully, "Up here, we call their nigger geese."

Sineps continues the story, "Everyone froze. Then, very carefully, Gar asked, 'Why do yo call them that?'" Even the slow-witted young guide had, by this time, figured out that there was a problem, and he muttered some response about the birds' black color. The incident passed, but the

"John, you're so American. That implies that you have so many things by virtue of being white American. This forms the basis of you optimism. At 15, I didn't expect to live beyond 25."

point has been made. Sineps and Meadows, in the fashion of psychologists, had a long discussion afterward about their varying reactions to racism. Year later, they refer to the incident as touchstone when asked about the attitudes toward race.

Meadows is pessimistic.

"Race is not an issue for me with John — but John is a small, although important, part of my world." The rest of his world doe not give Meadows particular cause for hope. There are the persistent rude stares he encounters at Rosedale when in

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

29 THUR\$DAY

■ Long-time St. Anthony Park resident Gerhard Neubeck reads poetry, St. Anthony Park Branch Library, 7 p.m.

2 MONDAY

- Boy Scouts, St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 7 p.m. Every Monday.
- AA, St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 8 p.m. 770-2646. Every Monday.

3 TUESDAY

- Toastmasters, Hewlett Packard, 2025 Larpenteur Avenue, 7:30 a.m. 645-6675. Every Tuesday.
- I St. Anthony Park Garden Club. Philippe Gallandat, owner of Swiss Gardens, will give a presentation entitled "Pruning Demystified: It's a Pretty Good Thing," St. Anthony Park Library meeting room. 7-9 p.m.
- English tea and a slide show of Lincolnshire, England, presented by Omega Travel. Conference room, St. Anthony Park Bank. 10 a.m.

4 WEDNESDAY

- St. Anthony Park recycling.
- Leisure Center for Seniors, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Lunch reservations by Monday. 379-8928. Every Wednesday.

THURSDAY

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

- Tot Time (for 5-year olds and younger), Langford Park Rec Center, 10 a.m.-noon. Every Thursday.
- St. Anthony Park Elementary School Association (SAPSA) meeting, 7 p.m., SAP Elementary School Library.
- St. Anthony Park Community Council Physical Planning Committee, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, 5 p.m.

6 FRIDAY

■ Falcon Heights and Lauderdale recycling.

9 MONDAY

- Como Park recycling.
- Park Press Inc., Park Bugle - board meeting, ParkBank community room, 7 a.m.
- Falconeers Senior Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 1-3:30 p.m. Call 488-3361 or 644-0055.

10 TUESDAY

- Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street, 7:30 p.m.
- English tea and a slide show of Lincolnshire, England, presented by Omega Travel. Conference room, St. Anthony Park Bank. 4 p.m.

11 WEDNESDAY

- Falcon Heights City Council, City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 7 p.m.
- St. Anthony Park Community Council, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, 7-9 p.m.

12 THURSDAY

■ Prairie Star Coffeehouse readings by Brian O'Brian, M.J. Fitzgerald, and Becka Mara McKay. 2399 University Avenue, 7:30 p.m.

14 SATURDAY

- Valentine's Day.
- Community Network for Seniors' Valentine's Party from I to 3 pm at St. Matthews Episcopal Church, 2136 Carter Avenue.

16 MONDAY

- Presidents' Day
- St. Paul schools are closed.

17 TUESDAY

- District 10 Como Community Council, 7 p.m. Call 644-3889 for location.
- Lauderdale Planning Commission, City Hall, 1891 Walnut, 7:30 p.m.
- Falcon Heights Book Club, 7 pm, Falcon Heights City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur Avenue.

18 WEDNESDAY

- St. Anthony Park recycling.
- Langford Booster Club, Langford Park, 7:30 p.m.
- Latin Mass commemorating Martin Luther's death at Luther Seminary, 10 am.

20 FRIDAY

■ Falcon Heights and Lauderdale recycling.

21 SATURDAY

- Lauderdale 500 Club, Lauderdale City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street, 1 p.m.
- St. Anthony Park Association 12th Annual Progressive Dinner.

23 MONDAY

- Como Park recycling.
- Falconeers Senior Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 1-3:30 p.m. Call 488-3361 or 644-0055.

24 TUESDAY

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

25 WEDNESDAY

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

St. Anthony Park Community Council Housing and Human Services Committee, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, 5:30 p.m.

I St. Anthony Park Community Council Environment Committee, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, 7 p.m.

28 SATURDAY

■ FARE For All distribution and registration at Holy Childhood Church, 1495 Midway Parkway, 9:30 - 11 a.m. Call 644-7495; or St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 2323 Como Ave., 8:30-10:30. Call 644-8833.

Items for the March Community Calendar must be submitted to the Bugle office by 6 p.m., Friday, February 13.

Peter Ostrousko performs with Joan Grittith and friends at Music in the Park's upcoming family concert on Friday, February 6, at 6:15 and 7:30 p.m., at the St. Anthony Park Branch Library.



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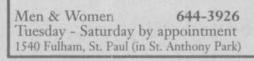
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Emily Bacon

Seal Hi-Rise resident Emily M. Bacon died on January 4. She was 88 years of age.

Bacon was a member of the Order of Eastern Star, St. Anthony Park Methodist Church, and St. Anthony Park Association.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers and sisters. Survivors include several nieces and nephews.

Irene Clausen

Irene K. Clausen, who lived on Brewster in St. Anthony Park, died on December 29. She was 93 years old.

Preceded in death by her husband, Harry, she is survived by her son, Philip; grandsons, David, John, and James; and five great-grandchildren.

Cecelia Condon

Cecelia A. Lehnen Condon died on January 10, at age 96. Condon was a member of Holy Childhood Catholic Church.

Preceded in death by her husband, James, and daughter, Rosemary, nine brothers and sisters, Condon is survived by daughters, Vonda Moore and Lenora Galvin; sons, John and Alfred; 27 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Agnes Graurud

Lyngblomsten resident Agnes Graurud died on December 21 at the age of 100.

Granrud was preceded in death by her husband, Carl, and is survived by daughters, Carolyn and Marian Wolfson; son, Robert; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Louise Bibeau Jefferson

Louise Bibeau Jefferson died December 27, at 88 years of age. She lived at Lyngblomsten Care

Jefferson worked for West Publishing and for Gillette. She was a member of Immanuel

Lutheran Church and a volunteer at Lyngblomsten.

Preceded in death by seven sisters and four husbands, she is survived by her son, William Moore; daughter, Judith Thompson; nine grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; three sisters and one brother.

Joseph Neng Shun Kwong

Como Park resident Joseph Neng Shun Kwong died on January 4. He was 82 years old.

Born near Canton, China, Kwong received his B.S. from Stanford in 1937, master's in Chemical Engineering from the University of Michigan in 1939, and a doctorate in Chemical Engineering in 1942 from the University of Minnesota.

Kwong was a half-century member in the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and the American Chemical Society. He developed the Redlich-Kwong equation of state in thermodynamics and developed and patented epoxy curative in 1959. He also developed and patented SCOTCHCAST (tm) resin system. He retired from 3M Company as a product development specialist after 33 years.

Kwong was active in the community, including Murray High School PTA president, St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ treasurer, and District 10 Neighborhood Commissioner.

He is survived by his wife of 55 years, Mary; sons, Gary, Roger, and Arnold; and nine grandchildren.

Ulah Denny Lawrence

Ulah (Lu) M. Denny Lawrence of Lauderdale died on Christmas Eve.

Lawrence was a member of St. Anthony Park Methodist Church.

She is preceded in death by her first husband, Lyle Spars; sisters, Amy Kline, Ellen Rosch, Loris Harper; and brothers, Elton and Edmund Denny, Survivors include her husband, Donald; sister Alice; brother Gene; sons, Dennis Spars, Michael Spars, Kevin Lawrence, and David Lawrence; daughter, Luann Stapuk; 14 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren.

SAP Block Nurse

Myrtle Mallory

Myrtle M. Mallory, age 92, died on December 19. She was a resident of Lyngblomsten Care

Mallory was a longtime resident of Como Park and a charter member of Como Park Lutheran Church.

Preceded in death by her husband, George; son, George; daughter, Shirley Mallory Hawkins; and a greatgranddaughter, Holly Marie Davey, she is survived by daughter, Elaine Davey; two sons, Richard and Gordon; 15 grandchildren; 30 greatgrandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Ruth Carlson Ranheim

Ruth M. Carlson Ranheim died on December 26, at the age of 87. She was a resident of Lyngblomsten Care Center.

Ranheim was the Nursing Supervisor for the State of Minnesota Crippled Children's Services for many years. She was a longtime volunteer at Lyngblomsten and a member of their board. She was a member of Como Park Lutheran Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Glen, and son, Steven. Survivors include a daughter, Karen Fenske; son, Theodore; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Clarence Sandberg

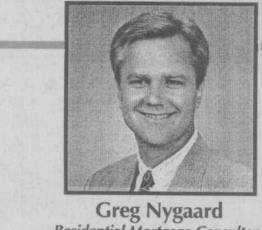
Clarence F. "Sandy" Sandberg, age 87, died on January 12. He was a resident of Como Park on West California Avenue.

Sandberg was a retired machinist from Capital Gear Company. He was a member of Como Park Lutheran Church.

Preceded in death by his wife, Doris, he is survived by his son, David; daughter, Donna Anderson; three granddaughters; three great-grandchildren; and other relatives.

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the company of a white female companion. The nervous knot that forms in his stomach when he pulls up outside of a rural diner and sees too many Harleys and pick-ups - symbols for him of white racist good ole' boys parked outside. The sense of schizophrenic division he feels between the "white" world of his profession and his Lauderdale residence, and the relaxed welcome he receives at the black barbershop in North Minneapolis where he has his hair cut. "Race relations are getting worse in this country," he says, adding that he thinks a race war in America is not impossible. "There are so many people with weapons in the U.S."

Sineps' outlook, perhaps not unexpectedly, is less bleak. "On a covert level, race relations may be worse; but overtly and legally, they're better. Sixty years ago we would never have been friends, because our paths would not have been allowed to cross."

Sineps came to the United States as a young Latvian refugee after World War II, and he retains something of the immigrant's single-minded pursuit of Americanization. "Race apart, I had to leave my Latvian identity aside in order to succeed in American life." He adds candidly, "As an adolescent, of course, you want to leave home. As you get older, you do want to go back but you can't. So you go fishing." More seriously, he says, "I do and yet I don't understand pessimism in the light of progress that's occurred."

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Meadows counters evenly, "John, you're so American. That implies that you have so many things by virtue of being a white American. This forms the basis of your optimism. At 15, I didn't expect to live beyond 25. I didn't want to be old, because life was so hard. The optimism wasn't there." With the air of a man reciting indisputable truth, he continues, "If we were both on the same boat coming to the United States today, your chances would be better. The odds are more in your favor." Then he adds with a small laugh, "Of course, when I was young, we used to say that I'd have an easier time if I woke up white than if you wake up black. That's because we live in a white world. We know how

And so the conversation of a

you guys live and think."

lifetime goes on.

Have Meadows and Sineps. discovered the secret of interracial harmony? They would be the first to deny a place in their lives to such high-flown rhetoric. "We are not unique," says Meadows. Sineps remarks, "We sure didn't plan our friendship. It kind of happened."

But the respect and trust they hold for each other is as obvious as, well, the colors of their skins. Despite their modest refusal to speak for anyone but themselves, they do venture a little advice to all the rest of us still divided by color. "I think," says Meadows, "that we have to talk. The issue of race has to be dealt with." Sineps continues the thought, "But talking is not enough. Being engaged in similar projects is important too."

There's a long pause, and then a single, musing thought. "Fishing, maybe."

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COMO PARK LUTHERAN CHURCH

1376 Hoyt Ave. W. 646-7127 Handicapped accessible
CPLContact Ministry 644-1897
Sunday Schedule (Nursery Provided)
Rides available for 11 am worship.
8 and 11 am Worship. (Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays)
9 am Children and Family Worship

9:50 am Sunday School 10 am Adult Forum, Youth Forum

Wednesday Schedule 5:15 pm MEAL for everyone (Adults \$3, kids 15 years and under \$2, not to exceed \$12 per family) 6 & 7 pm Choirs and Confirmation

6:50 pm MidWeek & Praise (Worship) 7:30 pm "MIDWEEK" (High School Youth) Life With God (Adult Ed)

6:30 am Men's Breakfast Fellowship (CJ Brown – HarMar) Ash Wednesday Services Feb. 25 10 am & 7 pm Wednesday Lenten Services 10 am & 7 pm Pastors: Paul Harris and Nancy Koester Director of Youth and Family Ministry: Joe Sheehan

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH

2131 No. Fairview at County Road B. 639-8888 Meaningful liturgies in a new worship space. A welcoming community. Handicap-accessible Saturday Mass: 5 pm Sunday Masses: 8:30 and 10:30 am
Ash Wednesday Feb. 25, 7:30 am Mass, 12 noon and 7 pm Distribution of Ashes

MOUNT OLIVE EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH (A WELS Congregation)

"THE CHURCH WITH A SMILE" Handicap-accessible. Wheelchair available. 1460 Almond at Pascal. 645-2575 Sunday Worship: 9 am Sunday School and Adult Bible Class: 10:30 am Ash Wednesday Services Feb. 25, 6:30 pm

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US! 1744 Walnut at Ione. 1 block north of Larpenteur. 644-5440. Sunday School, Adult Education and Bible Study: 9:15 am Sunday Worship: 10:30 am, Holy Communion 1st & 3rd Sundays Tuesday Bible Study: 10 am Pastor Drew Flathmann

ROSE HILL ALLIANCE CHURCH

Roselawn at Cleveland. 631-0173 Sunday Worship: 9:30 am Sunday School: 11 am beginning Sept. 7 Sundays 6 pm Sr. Hi Group Wednesdays Jr. Hi Group & Awana 6:45 pm (Sept. - May) Wednesday Int'l. Women's American Culture Class 12:30 pm (Sept. - May)

ST. ANTHONY PARK LUTHERAN

Como and Luther Place. Handicap-accessible. 645-0371 Pastors Paul Ofstedal and Reany Lindberg Visit our website at http://www.sap.org/worship/sapl.htm Sunday Worship: 8:45 and 11 am. Nursery at both services Continued next column

Sunday School: 9:50 am Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays Faith Chinese Fellowship 1:30 pm Sundays 信義教會 星期天下午

Men's Prayer Group Fridays, noon Feb. 15 Friendship Sunday

Ash Wednesday February 25, 5:30-6:45 pm soup supper followed by Midweek Lenten Service. Lenten Theme: God's People Led to Pray. Messages By Luther Seminar professors Visitors welcome

Our van is available for transportation to and from services.

ST. A.P. UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

2129 Commonwealth at Chelmsford. 646-7173 Rev. Dane Packard, Pastor We are handicap accessible! Sunday Education Hour for all ages: 9 am Nursery Care Provided for 9 & 10:30

Sunday Worship: 10:30 am; Fellowship: 11:30 am Feb. 1 & 8 Worship focuses on spirituality in & ministry of music. Ash Wednesday, Feb. 25: Soup Dinner & Worship: 6:30-8:00 pm

ST. A.P. UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

THE CHURCH WHERE EVERYONE IS ALWAYS WELCOME

Como and Hillside. 646-4859 Pastor Deb Walkes

Sunday Schedule

Worship 8:45 am and 10:45 am, Fellowship 9:30 am and 11:45 am Church School 10 am

Wednesdays 9 am - 1 pm, Leisure Center with noon lunch Ash Wednesday Services Feb. 25, 7 pm

ST. CECILIA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Cromwell and Bayless Place. 644-4502 Sunday Mass: 10 am at church (nursery provided) and

8:30 am at Seal Hi-Rise, 825 Seal St. (handicapped accessibility)

Daily Mass: 7 am at the Parish Center

Ash Wednesday Services 7 am, 12:05 noon, 7 pm at the church.

ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

2136 Carter at Chelmsford, 645-3058 Sunday Schedule:

8 am Holy Eucharist Rite I 10:30 am Holy Eucharist Rite II 9:15 am Education Hour for all ages. Adult Bible Study: Luke-Acts

Adult Forum: Benedictine Spirituality Jan. 1, 11, 18

10 am Wednesdays Eucharist in the chapel Ash Wednesday Services Feb. 25.

Holy Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes 7 and 10 am, 5:30 pm followed by a simple soup supper.

Feb. 26 Lenten program begins. Faith & Healing: Mind, Body and Spirit. 6:30 pm preceded by simple soup supper at 6 pm

Feb. 28 Lenten Adult Forum begins

March 1, 9:20 am Lenten Adult Forum begins

Bookstudy: The Good Book: Reading the Bible With Mind and Heart by Peter Gomes, preacher to Havard University Come and see our new and expanded building, The Rev. Grant Abbott, Rector

The Rev. Lynn Lawyer, Deacon

♦ WARRENDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1040 Como Ave. at Oxford. 489-6054 Sunday Worship: 10:15 am (nursery provided) Sunday Church School: 9 am Dr. Robert Bailey, Minister