Future of Como post office uncertain
by Todd Ryan Ross

Rumors circulating about the potential loss of St. Anthony Park's post office are not wholly unsubstantiated. Some unreliable sources regarding the Como Station merit concern on behalf of anyone who values its presence in the Park. The U.S. Postal Service has "Losing Como Station would be a serious loss to St. Anthony Park's residential and business viability," — Golen Cadle

leased all 7,000 square feet of the building at 2266 Como Avenue since 1970, and although the leases are renewed at standard 5-year intervals, there is doubt as to whether the Postal Service will be successful in obtaining a renewal when they ask for one next year.

That's because the building is for sale by its owner, Harold J. McCann, 62, of Hayward, Wisconsin — and there is no guarantee that a buyer will have any interest in continuing a tenant relationship with the Postal Service.

"Losing Como Station"

Controversy continues over proposed soccer stadium
Town meeting planned for September 2
by Laura Pitchett

Despite protests from lawmakers and local residents, the University of Minnesota's plans to build a women's soccer facility on Cleveland Avenue remain unchanged. In July, the regents unanimously approved the construction of a soccer facility on Cleveland unless an alternate site is found before September 9.

"As of right now, this is the only site in the front," said Donna Peterson, the Interim Vice President of Institutional Relations, though she noted that the university continues to look for alternate locations.

Sue Gehrz, the mayor of Falcon Heights, is hopeful that another site will be found. However, the city has adopted several covenants, or legal guarantees, which they passed on to the university in case the Cleveland site remains. After a heated exchange of letters between Mayor Gehrz and university officials, the university did agree to several of the covenants, including limiting the stadium to 1,500 permanent seats, restricting lighting except for security lights, and limiting the use of sound systems. However, Gehrz stated, the university has not agreed to the most important covenant, which limits how often the facility would be used. "Because the number of games held there directly influences the disruption to the neighborhood, this is a critical issue," Gehrz said. She pointed out that university officials publicly stand on several occasions that they would be willing to limit the number of games held at the facility. "They are now refusing to commit to that number," Gehrz noted. "This is a major stumbling block."

In response, Peterson noted: Soccer stadium to page 20

Neighbors near Alden Square Park gather around the gazebos they recently built. The small park is located at Beverston and Gibbs. — Photo by Torran Moore

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A future park? The Railroad Park and Gardens may be in St. Anthony Park's future. — pages 10 and 11
Local politicians vie for the vote
by Jane McClure

Inmate’s crowded field of candidates for governor may be getting the most attention as the September 15 primary election date draws closer. But a number of candidates for area offices are also on the campaign trail this summer and fall, with their eyes on the November 3 election date.

Among the local candidates gearing up for the general election are women vying for the District 5A Minnesota House seat. It is one of only six House races in the Twin Cities region where both candidates are women. Incumbent DFLer Mary Jo McGuire of Falcon Heights faces Republican challenger and first-time candidate Kim Nelson of Roseville. District 54A includes the community centers of Falcon Heights, Lauderdale, Roseville and St. Anthony Park.

"It’s an honor to be a member of the Minnesota House, and to work with constituents in our district," said McGuire. "During the 1997-98 session, she served as vice chairperson of the Family and Early Childhood Education Finance Division of the House Education Committee. She chaired the Data Practices subcommittee and was also a member of the Judiciary Committee, the Judiciary, Finance Division and the Governmental Operations Committee. McGuire has been active in legislation that focuses on young children and families.

McGuire is an attorney and J.J. holds a master’s degree in Public Administration from Harvard University’s Kennedy School of Government. She was first elected to the Minnesota House in 1988. She is active in a number of the community’s civic organizations in Ramsey County and the Falcon Heights area.

Republican challenger Kim Nelson is making her first run for public office. "Politics have definitely been a strong interest of mine, but this is the first time I have filed for anything," she said. Nelson majored in history in college, with an emphasis in United States Constitutional history. The Republican activist decided to run after serving on a search committee that was seeking a candidate for the Democratic party. "The more I got involved in the committee, I decided I would rather be the person answering the questions than asking them."

Nelson, who is married with two sons, is enjoying her new status as a candidate, and the ability to get out and meet with people and hear their concerns. Here are how other area races are shaping up: DFLer and St. Anthony Park resident Alice Hausman is seeking another term in the District 60B House seat. Hausman was first elected to the Minnesota House in 1988 and is in her fifth term. She has served on the House Environment and Natural Resources, Legislative Policy and Energy and Transportation and Transit committees.

Hausman is facing Republican challenger Curt Ellingson. Ellingson lives in the Como Park neighborhood. Both candidates have party endorsements.

Incumbent District 3 Ramsey County Commissioner Janice Berteman is challenged by Dean Barklind. Barklind placed fourth in a primary race for the same seat in 1997. Berteman won that election, to complete the term of Commissioner John Finley (Finley left the County Board after winning election to a Ramsey County District Court judge post in 1996.)

District 3 includes Como, Falcon Heights, Lauderdale and St. Anthony Park. County commissioners serve a four-year term.

Berteman, a longtime St. Paul Ward 5 City Council member, prior to taking county office, lives in the Como area. Barklind lives in Frogtown.

Incumbent District 4 County Commissioner Susan Heigh is unopposed in her bid for a second term. The Summit Hill resident is the current Board chairperson. Like Berteman, she won DFL endorsement earlier this year.

District 4 includes St. Anthony Park.

 Ramsey County Sheriff Bob Fletcher is also unopposed in his bid for a second term. Fletcher was a St. Paul City Council member for several years and a longtime member of the St. Paul Police Department. He unsuccessfully sought the mayor's seat in the 1983 race against Jim Schuette.

 Ramsey County's liveliest race could be for County Attorney. Incumbent Paul Guertner is seeking a second term. She is challenged by State Representative Jerryl Tiller, who won the DFL endorsement last spring. Farrell gave up his East Side House seat to try for the County Attorney post. The term of office is four years.

 Two Ramsey County District Court judges face opposition this fall. Incumbent Judge George O. Peterson faces Kathleen Ficen-Hapalo, Judith Tilsen is challenging incumbent Judge Walter Bower. Other judges are unopposed. Judges are elected to six-year terms.

 There will be no primary elections for the Ramsey County and Minnesota House races in the Park Bugle area. Filings for federal, state and local office took place in April.

 Only one or two candidates filed for the Ramsey County posts, and the filings for Minnesota House only include one Democratic-Farmer-Labor and one Republican hopeful. Those candidates all move on to the general election. That is a change from four years ago, when a number of races were contested.

 The District 4 County Board and County Attorney posts.

 Area School Board and City Council elections are not on the ballot this year.

 Primary elections are used by political parties to choose candidates. Two runoff elections are held for candidates from one party in a primary. In local contests, primaries are used to select the candidates who will be on the ballot before the general election.
Dedication to education: Ann Bulger

by Barbara Clausen

Ann Bulger’s energy and efficiency draw accolades from parents, teachers and co-workers at Murray Junior High, where she works as a volunteer coordinator. Tim Chase, a science teacher at Murray, described her as “Ms. St. Anthony Park.” He added enthusiastically, “She’s just a totally delightful person.”

For the past four years, Chase has observed Bulger on a multi-cultural retreat at the Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center in northern Minnesota. “She has endless energy. I am totally amazed. She hikes up and down mountains, attends classes, and stays up late at night. We’re passing out by the fireplace and she keeps going. She cleans up after we go to sleep.”

And she’s organized. Twice a year she and Judy Payne, Murray’s other volunteer coordinator, plan the parent/teacher conferences. They send out forms to the parents of more than 800 students and match conference time preferences with teachers’ schedules. “It’s an incredible organizational feat,” said Chase.

Maybe having eight children has something to do with it — all those years of organizing.

Bulger makes phone calls, lines up buses for field trips, schedules tours of the school — “anything that brings the school into the community or the community into the school.”

When her own children started attending Murray she volunteered and later applied for the coordinator position. “I was already doing it, so I just started getting paid for it,” she joked. Now she makes phone calls, lines up buses for field trips, schedules tours of the school — “anything that brings the school into the community or the community into the school.”

leadership and the environment, “It’s particularly rewarding to take kids who are from the inner city and have never been up north,” said Bulger. “They don’t have opportunities to go on vacations. They see the stars for the first time. That’s fun.”

She recalls a student who called his mother from Wolf Ridge and said excitedly, “You just can’t believe what it’s like here!”

At Murray, Bulger also coordinates student teachers from 10 colleges, including St. Thomas, St. Catharine’s and Bethel. Judy Payne agrees with Chase that Bulger is indispensable. “She’s energetic. Ann Bulger to page 12

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What has impressed me about the Department and the community as a whole are their willingness to go out of their way for others. Minnesota, more than any other state I am familiar with, seems to have focused on prevention at the critical component to insure a better world for our children.

I am very interested in your ideas and suggestions. I am also available to help coordinate efforts, develop neighborhood-specific prevention strategies, and provide instruction in my own philosophy of violence prevention.

Thank you so much for taking time out of your busy schedule to read this letter. I am so grateful to be welcomed into this community, and excited to work with each and every one of you.

Ed Lemon
Litter on a stick

There is great opportunity in the air. There is opportunity to significantly improve St. Paul’s neighborhoods at little or no cost. In the city, there is opportunity to improve residential property values, and improve our city’s ability to attract tourists, new businesses, and investment dollars. What is the new urbanism elixir? Could anything be as simple as billboard control offer such urban benefits? In a word, yes.

For the past year or so, the City of St. Paul has been in a struggle with the billboard industry to regain much of the city’s lost scenic vistas. For decades the city’s streetscapes have been marred by the proliferation of billboards. In December, the St. Paul City Council enacted a city-wide moratorium on the construction of new billboards. This ordinance, a seemingly benign first step at billboard control, passed on a 7-0 vote and was quickly vetoed by billboard-dependant Mayor Coleman.

The new Council could not muster the five votes needed to override the Mayor’s veto.

Instead, the new Council passed an ordinance allowing Community Councils to petition for a special sign district which would have the effect of enacting moratoriums in districts by date. To date, 14 of 19 districts have passed such petitions. The billboard industry challenged the petitions as overly broad. The City Council rejected the industry’s challenge on July 8, voting 5-1 against (Benavon, Lantry, Bostrom, Hanson opposed; Reiter in support).

The district council moratoriums are in effect through calendar year 1999.

Besides marring scenic billboards, billboards are an invasion of our privacy. They are the only form of advertising which cannot be turned off or otherwise avoided. Billboards sell something they do not own: the public view from public roadways, often using a streetscape or cityscape as a backdrop. Billboards are the alcohol and tobacco industries most effective means of enticing the illegal underage market.

City residents hold the key to ridding the city of these dangerous aviators. The industry employs lawyers and lobbyists to protect their interests. Let your representatives, billboard property owners, and billboard advertisers know of your interests. Together we can rid our city of this litter on a stick.

Brian Bates

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EDITORIAL

Back to school

It’s that time of year again. The State Fair is upon us, pencils are cheap at local stores, and school-age children are getting nervous about the adequacy of their back-to-school clothes. After a summer of long, hot days, there’s a creep up to September. Perhaps it’s ingrained in all of us— somehow it just feels like it’s time to gear up and start learning.

This issue of the Park Bugle focuses on that pursuit of knowledge — not just for young schoolgoers, but for many others who find themselves “going back to school” their entire lives.

One obvious example is Ann Budge, who volunteers at the school she once attended as a youngster (see story on page 3). Another local resident, Brenna Barrett, is an alumnus for the Railroad Park and Gardens (page 13). Likewise, students at the Hubert H. Humphrey Job Corps Center are learning a great deal outside the classroom — a special job training program there offers career development to the students as well as staff and college interns (page 7). The Salvation Army’s Brown House on Como Avenue offers unique educational programs as well (page 6). Michelle Christenson, in her commentary, reflects on her role as teacher. And the many residents of south St. Anthony Park who have had jobs for the Railroad Park and Gardens (pages 10-11) have focused on education too — the plans for the new park call for educational tools to teach children about native plants and the history of the area.

As children head back to school, many local residents are gearing up as well. It may not be in those little desks (dank goodness), but it’s time for learning all the same.

COMMENTARY

Let the new school year begin

by Michelle Christenson

“A unity of vanities! All is vanity!” This is not a quote from Shakespeare, but from Ecclesiastes in the Bible. This word “vanity” is sometimes translated as “foolishness,” and the foolishness referred to is that of toiling one’s whole life to accumulate money and possessions, only to die and leave them behind.

My first interpretation of this passage when I heard this read in church a few weeks ago was that working for things is futile. As the saying goes, “There are no U-Hauls behind hearse.” But upon further thought I realized that this is not about the value of our things, but about the value of our pool. Is there purpose in our work beyond making money? I am a lucky person in that I feel that my work is very valuable. I teach piano lessons.

Each year about this time I begin to get excited about the beginning of school. It used to be because I was a student, then because I was a teacher. (Third grade, two years. I still have dreams about starting the first day of school with lesson plans that only cover the first hour of the day!) Then I was excited about my children’s first days of school.

But now my son has graduated (and is working, thank you very much) and my daughter’s first day of college was in Takoma, far from my watchful eyes. The beginning of school that I love is the beginning of piano lessons.

While the son is the sole support of my family, I have the luxury of accepting only students who want to take lessons. They are not there because mom or dad didn’t get (or refused to take) lessons. I make sure before they start that they want to play.

So when lessons start in the fall, I am faced with a troupe of eager, excited children, one at a time. That last phrase is the definitive one. One at a time. For some hour every week I get to try to instill a love of music in each child. I get to try to pass on the knowledge and skills that people important to me have passed on to me. I get to hear about students’ families and school and how music fits into their lives. What a privilege!

In some ways I am an old-fashioned piano teacher. I feel that my job is to equip pianists for service, not for the concert hall. I know that 99% of pianists will not play with the London Philharmonic or give a recital in Carnegie Hall. So what am I preparing students for? For some of them what they take from their lessons will be merely an ability to appreciate a symphony or a jazz composition more than they would have without studying. Some of my students will become proficient enough that they will be able to play for their own enjoyment or for their friends and families. Others will accompany their school choir or play in church. Still others will use their knowledge as a stepping stone to play another instrument or to sing in a choir. Some of them will teach and pass on a love of music to still another generation.

If a student works hard, he or she will also learn discipline. They learn that sometimes you have to do things (practice) even when you don’t feel like it. They learn that not everything is quick and easy, but that the end result is worth the time and effort.

Of course, this job is not just about piano and practice but also about individuals. I get a half-hour alone with each child every week. They are all unique and have something to teach me as well as something to learn from me. I get an insight into what it’s like to be someone now that I wouldn’t otherwise have, especially now that my own children have flown the coop. Many of my students, past and present, have told me stories that I will always remember.

So that’s my job. It’s a far cry from the stereotype of the matty old lady slapping children’s wrists for making mistakes. It’s no "Teachology," as the author of Ecclesiastes would say, because it’s work with an element of eternity. I love my students and hope for the best for all of them. Let the new school year start. I’m ready.
Q & A

What do you like to learn at school?

Photographs and interviews by Jerry Gardner

Jenny
I like to learn about crafts.

Janey
I like to learn about the world.

Lillie
I like to learn about art.

Post office . . . from page 1

November 1999.

The lease arrangement at Como Station is not unusual for the U.S. Postal Service. Brian Marshall, Manager of Administrative Services for the U.S. Postal Service in Minneapolis, estimates that at least 70% of the 975 facilities in his district (one of the largest in the U.S.) are leased or rented.

"The U.S. Postal Service," says Marshall, "has every intention of obtaining a lease renewal from Mr. McCann, and has plans to ask for a lease renewal within the next year."

"Will they get it? That depends on Mr. McCann," says Marshall. "Or whoever buys the building from McCann. It's out of our control."

Although not impossible, it is highly unlikely, according to Marshall, that the U.S.P.S. would ever buy the building outright from McCann. It would have to be listed on a plan for purchase and compete for dollars with higher priority projects as far away as Nebraska and Iowa. "There are so many more facilities' needs that would naturally have a higher priority," says Marshall. "It would be a burden." Marshall adds, "if Como Station wasn't available to the U.S. Postal Service anymore. We need to provide service in the St. Anthony Park area, and we would have to find another suitable place."

But postal service in St. Anthony Park has seen changes before. The U.S. Postal Service's operations at Como Station changed dramatically when the station's sorting functions moved northward to Roosevelt several years ago. The move eliminated a great deal of truck traffic in the neighborhood, and greatly reduced the U.S. Postal Service's space relative to the building.

The building itself has also changed over the years. It was acquired by McCann in 1955. He ran it as a Phillips station and garage, known as Statewide Engies Rebuilding — a business that went hand in hand with McCann's love of stock car racing. McCann won the 1961 State Fair Minnesota Classic in a '61 Ford. You can still see the curb cutouts in the sidewalk in front of the building, where Statewide's customers rolled in and out. McCann ran it as a garage and machine shop until it burned down in 1958. The rebuilt structure is as it appears today.

McCann says he has been offering the building for sale for two years, and that he has entertained five potential St. Paul buyers in that time. There are currently three potential buyers looking into the property, he says.

"The U.S. Postal Service has every intention of obtaining a lease renewal from Mr. McCann."

— Brian Marshall

building's past as a garage poses an added environmental consideration to those potential buyers who might have plans for redeveloping it.

Regardless of the fact that environmental factors might affect a buyer's physical changes to the building, McCann has had an architect develop plans for the site that include the expansion of two additional retail spaces accessed by a mall-type corridor, the post office relocated to a more economical 1,500 square feet along one side, rooms installed at the end of the corridor, and the rear parking enclosure retained.

The U.S. Postal Service currently pays $30,000 per year to lease its space from McCann, a figure which, in the estimation of Richard Martini, an independent commercial real estate expert, is low by current market standards.

Though his observations were made without physically viewing the property, Martini says that, assuming the property does not pose environmental problems, and assuming the U.S. Postal Service continues to rent at its current rate, the property still represents a solid investment for a qualified buyer.

Praised for his estimation of a fair price for the building, Martini suggested $300,000, which he figured from a ten percent capitalization rate based on the property's current $30,000/year income-producing potential.

The building also has an assessed market value at $163,000, and estimated 1998 property tax at $6,394. n

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One hundred years of help and hope on Como Avenue

by Sarah Wiebe and Mayor Donna Miller

One hundred years ago, the Salvation Army Women's Home and Hospital opened on the corner of University and Jackson streets. It had the capacity for 18 women and six infants and was within walking distance of the city's "red light" district. The need was so great that the space was quickly outgrown. By 1909, the hospital moved to 480 North Street. Two brothers were so impressed with the work that they helped secure land and donated $50,000 to build the mansion that now stands at 1671 Como Ave. In 1913 the name changed to Booth Memorial Hospital. It had a capacity for 50 women and 35 infants. An affiliation with the University of Minnesota and Dr. J.C. Litzinger, Chief of Staff, allowed for a complete maternity hospital in 1917. Due to a lack of funds, the maternity hospital closed in 1971. Later, the name was changed to Booth Brown House Services, honoring the Earle Brown estate which had made a significant contribution to the capital campaign.

Today, the mansion holds offices for administration, program and clinical staff. The St. Paul public schools, recreation and creative expression departments are located on the lower level.

Current programs include a residential shelter program for boys and girls. There is also a good school program, called the Learning Center, which offers additional guidance in careers, independent living and cultural diversity.

In the last 25 years, Booth Brown has ministered to approximately 13,500 youth through shelter and treatment programs. Although the treatment program was removed in June due to changing needs, Captain Jeff Strickler, Booth Brown House Administrator, wants to address future program options such as additional shelters, psychological evaluations and transitional opportunities that would help troubled youngsters adjust to their environments.

"Young people have great needs," Strickler explains, "and the need for helping youth has been growing. We need to invest in their lives and futures."

When he was a child, Michael (not his real name) was handicapped to a bedroom sink for hours while his mother went about her business. For years after that, he was placed in a number of foster homes and eventually ran away and began living on the streets. He was nervous, scared, and covered with scabies when he arrived at the Booth Brown House at the age of 13. Now graduated from the program and living with his foster family, Michael, 16, has learned to identify and manage his anger and emotions and is looking forward to finishing school. Michael is a testament to the effectiveness and necessity of the Booth Brown House.

Booth Brown has a rich heritage of serving the youth in Minnesota. Its current mission is to provide a safe, secure, abuse-free and structured environment for troubled teenagers. Booth Brown House continues to adjust programs as society changes.
Cultivating careers
Hubert Humphrey staff and interns grow professionally along with the students they train

by Chris Kuhn

A no-frills description of the Hubert H. Humphrey Job Corps Center might read something like this: "Job training program for at-risk youth, ages 16-24." Students arrive, receive training, and leave 6 months to 3 years later with a promising career and a new outlook on life. Cool. New slogan: Job Training Happens.

But it doesn’t just happen, of course. Helping young people acquire the skills necessary to become successful employees and contributing members of the community is a process—one that unfolds over time and requires input from a variety of sources. How quickly and successfully a student progresses through the stages of career exploration, training and eventual placement, depends as much on the environment as the individual. This is especially true at Job Corps where students live as well as learn together.

Over 115 staff members work round the clock 365 days a year to provide students a supportive network of training and services. Humphrey staff, who are as diverse as the students they train, share a common goal.

“We are like family,” says Center Director Dave MacKenzie. “We provide the structure, the discipline, and the nurturing environment that many young adults need to succeed.” Adds Senior Security Officer Pascal Pujol, “I am proud that I have a positive impact on the direction of students’ lives. It’s a good feeling.”

Humphrey Center staff also have opportunities to develop their careers. “Everyone is encouraged to get involved, join committees, and be a part of the team,” says Human Resources Manager Chris Nelson, who lists internal promotions, merit pay increases, and awards as incentives for staff to contribute beyond their normal duties. In addition, the center offers staff tuition reimbursement, participation in off-center seminars and workshops, and has an active training schedule. “Training continues to be our best tool in keeping staff up-to-date,” states Nelson.

Possibly the clearest example of a mutually beneficial relationship between students and service providers can be found in HHJCC’s Internship Program, developed and directed by the Center’s Mental Health Consultant Jeff Gottlieb, Ph.D., the Internship Program began as an experiment in September 1995. Two graduate students volunteered their time and energy in order to fulfill the practicum requirements for their Master’s of Counseling Degrees. “It was so successful that we took steps to formalize the program,” recalls Dr. Gottlieb.

“Through an internship, students can integrate what they learn in the classroom with real world application.”

“We have had an uninterrupted period of hosting interns since.” The program has also expanded. There are several internships currently available at HHJCC, with other academic disciplines such as business and education planned for the future. Interns are expected to carry a case load and to provide in-service training while at HHJCC. Topics vary and have included: Anger Management, Crisis Intervention, Suicide Assessment and Attention Deficit Disorders. Susan Lowe, a current Mental Health Intern from St. Thomas University, has chosen Self Esteem as her area of expertise. Mental Health Intern Connie Sheban specializes in Individual Therapy. “The sky’s the limit here,” she says without hesitation. “Dr. Gottlieb is a seasoned intern supervisor who gives us the freedom to develop our own particular interests. I’ve hit the jackpot!”

“Our goal is to provide “Job Corps is like family. We provide the structure, the discipline, and the nurturing environment that many young adults need to be successful.”
— Dave MacKenzie

training that leaves everyone hungry for more,” says Dr. Gottlieb. “The vision is to create an exciting atmosphere at the Humphrey Job Corps for continuous learning for our students, staff and interns.”

You are invited to a Community Picnic to meet our new neighbors and to thank the many St. Anthony Park Association volunteers
The day after Labor Day (Tuesday, Sept. 8, 1998)
5:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Langford Recreation Center

A variety of picnic foods will be provided courtesy of the Park Association and the Pillsbury Corp. Volunteers and new neighbors are guests of the St. Anthony Park Association.
Contributions gratefully accepted from others.
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Be sure to bring the new folks on your block!

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ART EVENTS

MUSIC

Opera at Luther Seminary
The opera “Noye’s Fludde” (Noah’s Flood) will be presented at Luther Seminary August 31 and September 2 and 3 at 7 p.m. in the Chapel of Incarnation in the Olson Campus Center (on the corner of Hildreth and Fullham in St. Anthony Park). The music will be conducted by Peter Hendrickson, director of choral activities at Augsburg College and a St. Anthony Park resident. In addition to the more accomplished performers in the lead roles, the play will also feature children from the community in the roles of animals processing into the ark. The audience will even be involved by singing three hymns during the performance. For more information, call 612-3451.

Music in the Park announces 20th anniversary season
The Music in the Park series is pulling out all the stops for its 20th anniversary season. From the bold textures of percussion to the rich intimacies of strings, this is a feast to indulge in.

The series will open on Sunday, October 23, with the incomparable American String Quartet and celebrated pianist Lydia Arzuman

Concerts will be held in the acoustically superb sanctuary of St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, home to the series for 19 years.

SHOWS

Country Folk Art Show
The Country Folk Art and Craft Show will be held at the State Fairgrounds from September 25-27. From humble beginnings, this art show has developed a following of artisans from across the nation and Canada, and every participant is juried and hand selected for their outstanding workmanship and integrity of creative design.

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St. Matthew's hosts art show series — a call for entries
St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church has established a series of art shows throughout 1998-99. The inaugural multimedia show titled “A Celebration of Community” will feature St. Anthony Park artists. The show will be exhibited in the church from October through November.

Artists interested in exhibiting their work should call 645-3058 for an application. This art series is sponsored in part with a generous grant from the St. Anthony Park Association.

SAP resident exhibits work
St. Anthony Park resident Lou Saffer will be participating in an exhibit in Grand Rapids at the MacRostie Art Center. This sixth annual juried art exhibition runs until the end of August.

Good Health begins at Home

HealthEast Med Home
Alden Square . . . from page 1

landed there got planted." Gradually the area have been redesigned, rearranged and organized into beautiful gardens. Those who have become a reality when NAS received a STAR grant for gazebo materials. (STAR grants are available to St. Paul neighborhoods for organizations to reclaim and clean up unused space.) Organizing the labor part of the project was no small task. "I couldn't take on such a big project solo," said Lageson, "but because of the group commitment, it felt doable."

This summer a handicap access ramp will be added to the gazebo, and finishing touches such as a handrail, benches, steps, finish fascia and a fern will be completed. The city is putting in a low grade path from the sidewalk to the park for handicap access. When local streets are repaved in 2002, the group plans to add water (currently has snow over the street to the gardens from private residences), and electricity for Moon Dog speakers and lights at night.

And there! "The end of construction doesn't mean the end of getting together," said Sylvester. The community build will continue to be nourished by ongoing community social events, and neighbors visiting on summer nights in the gardens and gazebo.

To donate funds, time or skills contact Neighbors of Alden Square, 2318 Beverwest Street, St. Paul, MN 55108.

Mary's Garden Tip

Those Shady Characters

ur community is blessed with many fabulous mature trees which pretty much characterize us as a "shady neighborhood." When you walk our streets you will notice an abundance of Hostas, ferns, Jack in the Pulpits and other tender perennials in our gardens. However, there are many more herbaceous plants that can thrive in and brighten our shade gardens. Some of these shade plants prefer moist soils while others survive in dryer soils. In this article I'll focus on the moister shade plants.

False Spirea or Astilbe (Astilbe x arendsii)

Most Astilbes in our nurseries are native of Asia — from Japan to Tibet. For several years I have grown the one Astilbe native to eastern North America called Astilbe chinensis. When it blooms, most gardeners mistake it as an unusual_Geurandeet as it grows to a height of 4-5 feet. I also grow several of the Asian Astilbes, as I have ideal moist shade conditions in my back yard. You will find Astilbe available in a range of heights from 3-4 inches up to 6 feet in colors of white, peach, pink, red, lavender and purple.

American Bugbane (Cimicifuga racemosa, bugbane; other species)

This is a classic addition to your garden featuring spikes of blooms that can extend in moist soil up to heights of 3 to 7 feet above the Shelby, divided leaves. Most nurseries sell it under its Latin name Cimicifuga, since Bugbane, Black Snakeroot and Black Cohosh are not great purchase-inspiring names. One cultivar to avoid is "White Pearl" as it blooms so late that normally its frosts get it before it blooms.

Yellow Celandine (Chrysanthemum)

This little known perennial makes a wonderful ground cover in shade. In light shade it will provide you with yellow blooms from May through frost. Related to Bleeding Heart and Dutchman's Breeches, it has finely divided, bright-green leaves resembling the leaves of Meadow rue. Once established, it will seed abundantly.

Bleeding Heart (Dicentra spectabilis; D. formosa, D. eximia)

Many of us have grown up admiring the Old-Fashioned Bleeding Heart's gorgeous pink heart-shaped blooms. There is also a white-flowering form called "Alba" (aka "Frontal") that reaches a similar height. These bloom in late May into June. Then we have the native American Wild and Western Bleeding Hearts that have ferny foliage and will bloom summer-long in white and shades of pink to red.

Rocky Ligularia (Ligularia - "The Rocker")

Ligularia procumbens; Bigland Goldeneye (Ligularia dentata)

Whenever these plants are seen in catalogs, avid gardeners are attracted to trying them. However, they are great lovers of moist soil and not all landscapes can provide their needs. I am lucky to reside at the bottom of an alley without a drain where the water regularly stands after heavy rains. I grow "The Rocker" adjacent to the alley where it receives filtered light and it loves its niche. Its tall yellow spikes of blooms arrive in mid July and attract swallowtail butterflies. I am also growing Ligularia procumbens which has flowers like "The Rocker" but tends to have less leaf resting during the heat of the day. The Bigland Goldeneyes have quite different flowers — usually yellowish-orange daisies above bright purplish red foliage.

by Mary Maguire Lerman

Sue's stitching: Como Park resident realizes dream

by Amy Causton

These days, starting your own business is a common dream, but it takes more than just a dream. Como Park resident Sue Martinez, however, has made that dream a reality. Since starting her own embroidery business last November, she has been living the life of a budding entrepreneur.

Martinez, who works as a secretary in the Facilities Management Department of the University of Minnesota, knew she wanted to start her own business: "I like the idea of being independent," she says. But she couldn't decide what kind of business she wanted. So she looked up a book on starting a business and selected embroidery, because of its "variety and the opportunity to be artistic and creative."

She then did a great deal of research into the details of embroidery before plunging in. She named her company Four Seasons Embroidery (because "being in Minnesota, our seasons are so marked") and immersed herself in self-training: "I learned so much from the Internet," she says. When she felt she was ready, she traveled to St. Louis to buy an industrial embroidery machine and set up shop in her home.

The embroidery machine looks similar to a sewing machine, but has several spindles in back to hold different colors of embroidery thread. The various designs are available on computer disk and Martinez orders them through catalogs. The designs have been "digitized," or translated into an embroidery language that can be read by the computer. The disk is loaded into a computer that is hooked up to the embroidery machine, and the machine stitches out the pattern, stopping wherever a new color thread is needed.

Depending on the complexity of the design, it can take from ten minutes to over an hour to complete. Martinez can personalize items by typing names or words into her computer and sending them to the embroidery machine to be stitched out. She can also contract with other businesses to digitize any corporate logos people want embroidered.

Embroidery designs can be ordered in sets, and to start with, Martinez selected model train and animal designs because there were shows at the State Fairgrounds for train and bird enthusiasts. "I'm Sue's stitching to page 16"
BACK TO SCHOOL CHECK UPS

Primary (baby) teeth play an important role not only for proper chewing of food, but also in order to hold space for permanent teeth to erupt. With the start of school upon us it's time to reeducate our children on the care needed for their teeth such as brushing, flossing, proper nutrition, and regular dental check-ups.

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Transitway bike path at the west end

More than just a natural area, the area around St. Anthony Park, with historical significance in the surrounding area, and perhaps is of historical relevance. A major part of the rail line, which involves information, will include a suburban area for trail

C E N T E R

South St. Anthony Park hopes to make its past part of the future

by Camille LeFevre

n breezy summer evenings, neighbors find each other strolling, bird watching or gardening on the north end of south St. Anthony Park. The strip along Robbins Avenue, which has been known for 17 years as the St. Anthony Park Community Gardens, and the woods adjacent to the railroad, have been favorite meeting spots for years. After hot hazy days, neighbors walk or bicycle to this lush open space, which snuggles into view like a ribbon woven from flowers, vegetables, trees and grasses. Goldfinches feed on sunflowers, orioles feast on raspberries, monarch butterflies nectar on wild bergamot.

This pastoral vision has a long, long past. "As our neighborhood was being settled by Europeans, the natural landscape was a matrix of upland and wetland surrounded by oak savanna with prairie openings," says Peter Leete, a hydrologist for the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. He has lived in south St. Anthony Park for nine years. "My guess is that remaining ponds in the area are what is left of the original wetland complex that meandered and flowed from the Midway Stadium area to Dinkytown, basically following the railroad tracks past the community garden."

Early settlers often remarked on the beauty of the area. Mrs. H.O. Hall, who settled here in 1885, is quoted in David A. Langrehr's book St. Anthony Park Portrait of a Community. "We used to sit in the doorway at night and hear the whippoorwills. . . . It was a very pretty spot, right among the trees, and we had all the wildflowers that there could be found in Minnesota."

Hall and many other turn-of-the-century settlers came here because of the business and work opportunities afforded by the railroad. A railroad depot and buildings were constructed near the railroad tracks now adjacent to the community garden, and became the center of the community for many years. This railroad hub provided transfer yards and trackage for a variety of manufacturing and warehouse purposes, and fed into commercial areas of Minneapolis and St. Paul. "The rail lines next to the community garden were some of the first to feed into the Milling District in Minneapolis," says Leete. Subsequently, Raymond and Hampden avenues became a commercial site, as industrial buildings, factories and warehouses went up. Land was cleared, and wetlands were filled and drained for the development of this new suburb of Minneapolis and St. Paul. Housing was built in the neighborhood to accommodate the new influx of workers.

After the World Wars, Langrehr writes in his book, further encroachment by commercial and industrial development on south St. Anthony Park than one-fourth of the homes were lost by construction, population declined by a deal of the remaining housing deterioration conditions. In the 1970s and 80s, along the city of St. Paul and private developers the residential area by removing incroaching a boundary between industry and east side (along Raymond Avenue). On the south side of the neighborhood Road now serves as the boundary. The Highway 280 and a sound barrier was years ago to improve the livability of area. As a result, families have moved into

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Railroad Park & Gardens fundraising kick-off

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al use began in the 1960s, more recently, and a great deal of investment by people preserve sensitive land uses and housing on the railroad. Territorial test boundary is in the community garden and adjacent area and

Another offer from the community is in the works. "I get teary when I think about the potential loss of this area to another home was this beautiful open space with woods and birds and the community garden. If this land sells to an industrial buyer, we lose everything we hold dear — our neighborhood." The community, if it is able to purchase the property, has a vision that includes renaming the area the St. Anthony Park Railroad Park and Gardens, keeping the garden, and restoring the woods and open areas to their pre-settlement natural state.

"I've seen this strip adjacent to the railroad go from a little community garden where people worked hard on their own plots, to a garden with the whole community with flower plots outside the fence that everyone can enjoy," Olson says. "This area is any longer just a place to garden; it's a beautiful garden park for everyone."

Much of the historical information for this article was gleaned from St. Anthony Park:
Portrait of a Community by David A. Lamegan.

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— Allie Olson, age 3

"We must save this land for our neighborhood and future generations who will live here."
— Jim Fosburgh

"I cannot imagine a summer without my garden and all the gardeners who join me in growing wonderful things."
— Del Sattar

ILROAD PARK AND GARDENS

by Sherman Eagles

St. Anthony Park in the could have found dirt streets, wooded skilflower. The planned new park railroad tracks from where an on the train. The vision for this park property to a condition similar to its illustrative of both prairie and recreational purposes. One section attractive to butterflies. A path for areas, connecting to the University the park.

The final part of the park is the community gardens. The gardens will remain along Robbins Street, with the park behind them and to their west. The gardens are a place where many current St. Anthony Park residents gather on summer days to weed, harvest and just enjoy chatting and being outdoors in a lovely place with neighbors. Community grows there along with vegetables and flowers.

Prairie, woods, history, trains, community and gardens. This park will above all be about a particular place. It will be unique because this place — this community we have chosen for our home — is unique. But there's a great deal to do to make this park a reality. Land must be acquired; the site must be prepared; and a vision must be created. After the land is acquired, volunteers will be needed for many tasks necessary to create the park. Some funding for land acquisition has already been obtained, and neighborhood fundraising will begin in September with a fundraising kick-off gathering hosted by State Representative Alice Hausman at the Hausman home, 1447 Chelmsford (corner of Chelmsford and Buford) 5:30 to 7:30 pm on September 21 — please join your neighbors there to celebrate this effort.
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Melissa Bergstrom, right, coaches the "animal choir" of Nye's Fluttern, an opera which will be presented to the community at Luther Seminary on August 31 and September 2 and 3 at 7 p.m.

Tet Times
Tet Times at Langford Park for kids ages 5 and under take place on Tuesdays from 10 until 1, and at the South St. Anthony Rec Center on Thursdays from 10 to 12. Questions? Call 298-5765.

Early Child Family Education
Northwest Early Child Family Education (ECFE) invites readers of the Park Bugle and their children, birth to age 5, to join them for fall classes. ECFE offers parent support and information on parenting and an opportunity to meet with other families. Classes are once a week for two hours, and are offered mornings, afternoons, and on the evening week. Fall registration will begin September 10 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and September 15 from 3 to 8 p.m. Classes begin on September 17. Call 293-5342 for more information.

S'More Fun
The S'More Fun school-age child-care program at the Northwest Como Recreation Center offers several activities for children and families, including swimming, bowling, and making crafts. For information about upcoming activities, call 487-5613.

Storytime in St. Anthony Park
Preschool storytime will begin at the St. Anthony Park Branch library this fall for ages 3 to 5. Sessions will meet every Friday at 10:30 a.m. beginning September 18 and continuing through November. 20. Stories, puppets, flannelboards and fingerplays will be used to share their love of books. Call 642-0411 for more information.

Ice Cream Social
The south St. Anthony Rec Center will be hosting their annual Ice Cream Social on September 13 from 2 to 4 p.m. This is free to the neighborhood, and activities include pony rides, games, ice cream and more. Call 298-5770 for more information.

Kid Vendors Fair
Kid Vendors Fair is scheduled for September 26 at Langford Rec Center from noon to 3 p.m. Young entrepreneurs can go into business for a few hours at the 5th annual fair. Kids will be selling food, arts and crafts, toys, books, comic books and more. Call 298-5765 to reserve a table at no cost.

Hockey registration
Registration for hockey is scheduled for September 14 from 1 to 5 p.m. at Langford Rec Center. Questions? Call 298-5765.

Fall classes at rec centers
Fall classes begin at the rec centers the week of September 21. Call 298-5770 for specific class offerings.

Gymnastics
St. Anthony Park Gymnastics Club offers instruction for girls and boys ages 4 to 18. Call 699-0600 for more information.

Ann Bulger . . . from page 3
she's creative, and very
responsible. She works well
with people and she's good
at organizing things. She
loves her work, and she
loves kids."

Chase also noted that
Bulger gives a great deal to
the community. She plans
Murray class reunions and
arranges tours for alumni
who want to tour the
school. She also has
contributed to the Park Bugle
since its inception. She
volunteers at Cross Christ
Church and serves on the
Finance Council. She and
her husband, Bill, were also
active in AFS, the American
Field Service, for many
years. They hosted numerous foreign
exchange students and college age
adults from a variety of countries
including Norway, Venezuela,
Costa Rica, Japan and Botswana.
"I'm used to lots of people
and lots of activity," she said. All
but three of her 22 grandchildren
live in St. Paul, and every Sunday
she invites her entire family for
dinner. When I asked her if she
was a good cook, she replied that
she made "plain, ordinary things."
I suspect that Tom Chase
was right when he said she
was not only "Ms. St. Anthony
Park," but that she was also
"Ms. Humble."
An education abroad
St. Anthony Park resident studies in Germany as a Congress-Bundestag scholar
by Michelle Christianson

At an age when many of her contemporaries are beginning their senior years of college, Bennie Barrett already has graduated, worked and is now embarking on an adventure that many older adults would envy. She is working and studying in Germany as a Congress-Bundestag scholar.

Barrett was chosen from a very competitive field of applicants by CDS International, Inc. In Germany she will first participate in two months of intensive German language training at the university in Cologne. Before arriving in Cologne she will meet in Washington D.C. with the Congress-Bundestag.

Barrett will meet with German and U.S. embassy staff for a week of intercultural training.

Once in Germany, she will participate in two months of intensive German language training at the university in Cologne.

German and U.S. embassy staffs for a week of intercultural training. After her language training she is eligible for four months of master degree study in Germany for every seven months she works at her job.

The job Barrett will have in Germany is the same as she had here, only in a different context. After graduating from the University of Minnesota with a degree in intercultural communications, Barrett did an internship at Windows on the World, an intercultural communications consulting firm. There she helped expatriates from other countries relocate to the United States by introducing them to local customs and business practices and by helping them learn language skills. In Germany she will work for a similar company, bringing to them the skills she already possesses and learning about a new culture in the process.

CDS International, Inc. began in the 1920s when German businessman Carl Duisberg of Bayer AG started sending trainees abroad to the U.S. to learn new methods of mass production, new ideas and new business practices. In 1968 the program became a joint venture of the United States Congress and the German Bundestag, and "committed to the advancement of international understanding on an individual and organizational basis." Over a thousand people from the United States, Germany, Japan, France, China, India, the Netherlands, and other countries take part each year in internships, research, fact-finding and work-study programs.

The programs serve a wide range of professions. Business executives, accountants, craftspeople, scientists, and others.

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November 5, 1998
Healthy Balance
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Instructor: Mary Hendrickson-Nelson, MS, RD, LD

December 7, 1998
Stress Management
Instructor: Teena Moy, PhD

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SAPA hosts
community picnic

The St. Anthony Park Association invites you to a community picnic to meet new neighbors and to thank the many SAPA volunteers. The picnic will be held outside the Langford Recreation Center the day after Labor Day. Tuesday, September 8 from 5:30 to 9 p.m. New neighbors and volunteers will be guests of the St. Anthony Park Association and the Pillsbury Corporation; sandwiches, pizza and homemade goodies will also be available to others for a donation. Grab your kids and the new folk on your block and come on down! Questions? Call 646-2929.

Weekend events
at Gibbs Farm

Gibbs Farm Museum will hold several special events on weekends during the month of September. Activities include a tour of the buildings on September 5-6, a visit with Jane Gibbs as her great, great
AARP meeting
The Midway-Highland Chapter 3930 of the American Association of Retired Persons will meet on September 17 at 7 p.m. at the Fyrglofrum Senior Center, 1298 Pascal Avenue. The speaker will be Don Buckner, who will speak on Medicare and Social Security updates. A social hour will follow. Visitors are welcome.

Orientation at Murray
Orientation for new students and parents will take place at Murray Junior High School on Thursday, September 3 at 6:30 p.m. There will be a welcoming program in the auditorium, then students will meet with their teachers and try out their locker combinations.

Tour of homes
Mark your calendar for Sunday, October 4, when the 1998 St. Anthony Park Tour of Homes will take place from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Creative Renovations is the theme of the tour, which will feature up to 10 houses in the neighborhood. Advance tickets are available at Rosa Mundi and the Biobot Shop.

Volunteers are needed to assist the St. Anthony Park Association with this tour. Duties include selling tickets and staffing homes on the tour. Volunteers will receive free tickets and work short shifts to allow them time to go on the tour themselves. Call Cindy Anderson at 649-6730 if you can help.

Le Leche Leagues
The next meeting of the Como-Midway Le Leche League will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8 at Jefferson Community Center, 1220 41st Avenue South. The theme of the meeting will be “The Importance of a Vegetarian Diet.” For more information, contact Jeanne at 649-6502.

International Institute offers classes
The International Institute of Minnesota, located at 1694 Como Avenue, is offering English as a Second Language classes, citizenship classes, and World Language classes, which include French, German, Italian, Portuguese, Polish, Swedish, Russian and Spanish. Call 649-6731 for more information.

League of Women Voters
The League of Women Voters will hold its first meeting on September 28 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Martin Luther King Center on 2700 North Kent. For details, call 222-1215.

SAP Library expands
Trucks and backhoes arrived at the St. Anthony Park Branch library on August 24 to begin the exciting construction project. The addition will act as an expanded children’s area. The 1917 Carnegie library will finally have handicapped accessibility with the installation of an elevator. During the construction period, the library will continue to offer one meeting room which can accommodate up to 50 persons. The project is expected to be completed during the summer of 1999.

Festival for the dogs
The third annual Dog Day Afternoon, an outdoor festival for dogs, will be held at Midway Stadium on September 27 from noon to 5 p.m. Pets, with their owners on leashes, are invited to sniff out the best products, activities, and treats in the interest of community support. The proceeds from Dog Day Afternoon benefit DHFFA (Design Industries Foundation Fighting AIDS), Animal Humane Society, and the Humane Society. Tickets are available by calling 870-1099 or at Pinto locations.

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1 TUESDAY
- Toastmasters, Hewlett Packard, 2025 Larpenteur Avenue, 7:30 a.m. 645-6675. Every Tuesday.
- St. Anthony Park Community Band rehearsal. Como Senior High band room, 7:30 p.m. Call 642-1559.
- St. Anthony Park Senior's Group, 2516 Cleveland Avenue, 4 A. 7:30 p.m. Call 646-3434 for more information.
- Tea Time (for 5-year-olds and younger), Langford Park Rec Center, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Every Tuesday. Call 298-5765 for details.

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

3 THURSDAY
- Tea Time (for 5-year-olds and younger), South St. Anthony Rec Center, 10 a.m. to noon. Every Thursday. Call 298-5765 for details.
- St. Anthony Park Community Council Physical Planning Committee, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, 7 p.m.
- Orientation for new students and parents, Murray Junior High, 9:30 a.m.
- At noon, Tony Nario and Tina Viteal of Tony n' Tina's Wedding will tie the knot for the 100th time at the Minnesota State Fair Grandstand. This is a free special one-hour show featuring the highlights from the popular show.

4 FRIDAY
- Falcon Heights and Lauderdale recycling.

7 MONDAY
- Labor Day.

8 TUESDAY
- St. Paul public schools, first day of school for students.
- Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street, 7:30 p.m.
- St. Anthony Park Association Community Picnic, Langford Park Recreation Center, 5:30-9 p.m.
- Como-Midway La Lchee League, 7 p.m. Call 644-3032 for location information.
- Holly House director Dr. Patricia Lawler will share ways to relieve premenstrual syndrome symptoms naturally. This workshop will be held at 6 p.m. and is free. Call 645-6951 for more information.

9 WEDNESDAY
- Falcon Heights City Council, City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 7 p.m.
- Full Council Meeting, St. Anthony Park Community Council, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, 7 p.m.
- Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church at Luther Place and Como. Hours are from 9 to 8 p.m.

13 SUNDAY
- Ice Cream Social hosted by the Soudan St. Anthony Rec Center, 2 to 4 p.m., free.

14 MONDAY
- Como Park recycling.
- AA, St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 8 p.m. 776-2646. Every Monday.
- Boy Scouts, St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 7 p.m. Every Monday.
- Park Press Inc., Park Bugle board meeting, Park Bank community room, 7 a.m.
- Falconcrest Senior Club, Falcon heights, City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 1:30 p.m. Call 488-3361.

15 TUESDAY
- Lauderdale Planning Commission, City Hall, 1891 Walnut, 7:30 p.m.
- Falcon Heights La Lchee League, 7 p.m. Call 646-2978 for info.
- District 10 Como Community Council, 7 p.m. Call 644-3889 for location.

16 WEDNESDAY
- St. Anthony Park recycling.
- Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street, 7:30 p.m.
- Langford Booster Club, Langford Park, 7:30 p.m.
- Langford Rec Center Booster Club Meeting, 7 p.m. All residents are welcome. Call 298-5765 for more information.

17 THURSDAY
- The Midway-Highland Chapter 930 of the American Association of Retired Persons will meet at 1 p.m. at the Lapham Veterans Senior Center, 1298 Paseo Avenue. The speaker will be Don Buckner, who will speak on Medicare and Social Security updates. A social hour will follow. Visitors are welcome.

18 FRIDAY
- Preschool storytime at St. Anthony Park Branch Library, 10:30 a.m.
- Falcon Heights and Lauderdale recycling.
- Book sale at Har Mar Mall in Roseville runs from September 18 to 20. The sale is managed by the Friends of Suburban Ramsey County Libraries and proceeds benefit Ramsey County Libraries.

19 SATURDAY
- Lauderdale "500" Club, City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street, 1 p.m.

21 MONDAY
- Bash Bashbash.
- Como Park recycling.

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

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

26 SATURDAY
- FARE For All distribution and registration at Holy Childhood Church, 1459 Midway Parkway, 9:30-11 a.m. Call 644-7495 or St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 2323 Como Avenue, 8:30-10:30. Call 644-8833.
- Kid Vendors Fair, Langford Rec Center, noon to 3 p.m. Call 298-5765 for more information.

27 SUNDAY
- The Church of St. Columba's Fall Festival and German dinner will be held at 1350 Blair Avenue. An authentic German pork and sauerkraut dinner will be served. Bingo, children's games, raffles and a silent auction will be offered. Everyone is welcome. For tickets, call 646-1602.

28 MONDAY
- St. Anthony Park Block Nurse Program Board of Directors meeting, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 7:15 p.m.
- Falconcrest Senior Club, Falcon heights, City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 1:30 p.m. Call 488-3361.

30 WEDNESDAY
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Soccer stadium

that the university is willing to limit the number of games held at the facility. "They do not want to put an exact number in writing," said Peterson. She said that the women's soccer team follows NCAA rules, and additional games for the post-season tournament might be scheduled. "We're not trying to back away from this. We are trying to make sure this is a confident issue that will be worked out, and we will meet the conference's expectations at that time," she said, noting that the number of games for the women's soccer team.

In addition to the covenant discussions, there is a continued effort to encourage the university to consider alternate sites. A letter signed by Sue Gehrz, St. Paul Mayor Norm Coleman, County Commissioner Janice Rettman, Ward 4 City Council Member Jay Benjamin, Chairman of the Ramsey County Board Sue Haugan and Roseville Mayor Dan Walls was sent to the university last week.

"We are asking for more time to work with the university on this issue," said Gehrz. "We want to work cooperatively with the university on alternate sites and to work with legislators to try to get any additional funding that may be necessary at a new site."

They are also recommending two alternative locations, one a ball field north of Glens Falls and the other a sheep pasture near the State Fairgrounds. Both sites are Falcon Heights. Gehrz noted, "It's not like the city is saying that we don't want the stadium in our area at all. We are trying to cooperate."

St. Anthony Park residents have joined Falcon Heights in challenging the location of the proposed soccer stadium. The St. Anthony Park Community Council has scheduled a town meeting for September 2 at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of Murray Junior High, 2208 Buford St. This panel discussion, which will be moderated, is open to the public. "We expect local and state representatives, representatives form the university, the neighborhood, and the city of Falcon Heights to be present," said executive director Heather Worthington. She is also taking part in the Falcon Heights appointed site design task force. "We still want to be at the table so good things happen in case the stadium does end up on Cleveland."

Another local group interested in the stadium is the Neighbors of the St. Paul Campus. Representatives for neighborhood organization met with university officials every last week with proposals for alternate sites. They have two suggestions. The first is on the existing softball fields near Biesterman street on the Minneapolis campus. The second is on a ball field near Biesterman street. They have also proposed a softball field on the Minneapolis campus. The second is on a ball field near Biesterman street. They have also proposed a softball field.

that a locker room and weight training area could be designated for the soccer team.

In response to concerns that the facility is too far, St. Paul Mayor Andy Anderson and his colleagues drove from the Minneapolis campus (where soccer players would not get dressed for games) to the location on Cleveland. The drive took them anywhere from thirty to over fifty miles. Staying at the same location, the drive to Blais took from 16 to 20 minutes. Anderson said there would be no need to build buses at this facility. Anderson argued, the distance is time in nightfall.

Driving back and forth has not been this organization's only contribution. The neighbors of the St. Paul Campus have also used their own funds, and those from supporters, to pay for lawyers, engineers, consultants and architects in their examination of feasible alternate sites. "We were pleased we had the opportunity to present our material," said Anderson. They are currently awaiting the university's response.

CORRECTION: Last month article regarding the soccer stadium erroneously described 1666 Coffman as in construction for retired professors. In fact, 1666 Coffman was developed in 1985 for current or former faculty, professional and administrative staff or civil service employees of the University of Minnesota, 55 years of age or older, and their spouses, widows, and widowers. The editor apologizes for this error.

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