Crime mars holiday season

Incidents of robbery and sexual assault, though unrelated, combine to create unease

by Judy Woodward

Big city crime has begun to spill over into the small-town atmosphere of north St. Anthony Park and Falcon Heights. Oh, at least that's the fear among some residents as they note a recent upsurge in violent incidents. For the third time in less than two years, Tim & Tom's Speedy Market, long a neighborhood landmark, was robbed at gunpoint on a recent weekend evening. Only a few days earlier, in an unrelated incident, a young woman was sexually assaulted near the University-owned tennis courts on Cleveland Avenue.

Tim Spreigl, co-owner of Speedy Market, sounded grim but matter-of-fact as he recounted details of what many fear is becoming a routine occurrence at the popular local store. "Around 10:30 on Sunday (December 6) night, a masked gunman came in and robbed us. He got the money and left. It took about a minute, and it's not much to add. It happened, and hopefully somewhere down the road somebody will be caught."

Spreigl added that the robber was about 5'6" and probably a white male. Police have no suspects at this time.

When it was noted that all the recent incidents of Speedy Market have occurred during evening hours on the weekend, Spreigl responded, "We've thought of closing on Sunday evenings. No action to change hours at Speedy has been taken so far. A few days earlier, on December 3, a woman was attacked near the intersection of Hoyt and Cleveland avenues at approximately 8:30 p.m. The woman was approached from behind, forced to the ground, and sexually assaulted. The male suspect is described as having tan skin with a medium build and black or brown curly hair. The victim had a difficult time describing the perpetrator to police because he was wearing a nylon over his head. There was no vehicle seen and it appears the suspect was on foot.

High profile episodes like armed robbery and sexual assault naturally raise the anxiety levels of those affected. But an analysis of crime statistics collected by the St. Paul Police Department reveals little evidence for a crime wave. Statistics for 1998 are not yet complete, but the figures for the five years 1992 to 1997 show little basis for widespread fear. Crime statistics for the area that covers the St. Anthony Park Como Avenue commercial district show no overall upward trend during the last five years. In fact, overall crime declined during the period for this area, although the traditionally low levels of violent crime remained unchanged. In any case, the crime rate in this area remains far below citywide averages for St. Paul.

But that doesn't mean that Tim Spreigl would advise residents to be complacent. He says, "The Park isn't an isolated area any more. People should keep their eyes open and report anything suspicious to the police."

Discover Kathleen Lustig's cheerful textiles

Scarf maker calls Falcon Heights home

by David Anger

It's a gray and chilly day on a weekday University Avenue, but inside textile artist Kathleen Lustig’s fourth floor studio the mood is bright and optimistic.

Lustig’s signature scarves hang proudly on iron rods, which possess leaf embellishments at the ends. This natural gesture is right-on, since her artistic vocabulary celebrates things organic from birds to leaves.

Indeed, the scarves—with their chiffon transparency and silk fluidity—semble delicate branches quivering on branches.

Lustig's work ethic is an old fashioned affair complete with wood floors and high ceilings. Today, she is working on large wooden racks that consume most of the space. After stretching the fabric across these wooden frames, the painstakingly applies signature dried dye. By day’s end she wraps the scarves in muslin, takes them home, and places them in a steam oven.

Half the fun, and frustration too, is the production process. This isn't Photo Shop and the dye has minds of their own. "You never know what colors will come out," quips the artist.

Time is short. The textile artist is preparing for the New York International Gift Fair, where she debuts her spring/summer collections. By the month's end Lustig will be riding Northwest to La Guardia, although an agonizing three week period precedes the show. "But somehow I'll get it down," shrugs Lustig.

Buyers love her work. Of course, scarves give any ho-hum wardrobe a heave-ho lift.

Moody canvases, the glints knowledge of evoking emotions through color balance. Ferocious reading of interior design magazines also provokes ideas. Stacks of Elle Decor and House & Garden fill her home. Weeks ago she sat herself down at Barnes & Noble's and studied all the foreign design publications. Occasionally Lustig originals make cameo magazine appearances. For instance, her goods have taken center stage on the pages of Metropolitan Home and Myths & St. Paul magazine.

A childhood interest in arts and crafts led Lustig to study textile design and painting on the university's St. Paul campus, which is around the corner from her

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Five great ways to start the New Year — without leaving the neighborhood

by Judy Woodward

Sure, you're really going to stick to your diet this New Year, and, for that matter, you're going to give up smoking at last. Not only that, but you're going to keep that New Year's vow to pay down all those credit card bills. Sure you are.

But meanwhile, while you're thinking about all that uncomfortable virtue you let yourself in for, how would you like to be reduced to jelly for the New Year? Helpless, blissful jelly, that is! Do you want to achieve a state of calm so deep and restful that mere talking will take effort, and anything so energy-consuming as worry or stress will be unthinkable?

You can do it all in half an hour, without consuming any illegal substances, and without even leaving the borders of St. Anhony Park. Not all New Year's resolutions have to involve pain and deprivation. All you need to do to achieve temporary Nirvana, for example, is sign up for the half-hour Swedish massage relaxation massage offered by Open Hands professional therapeutic massage studio located in the Park Bank building.

Owner Victoria Lindblade, a pleasant, round-faced woman with very strong looking forearms, recommends Swedish massage as a natural introduction to massage therapy and a great way to start the New Year. "It addresses the physical stress of your body," she explains, "and it feels great on a mental and emotional level."

Don't be surprised, adds Lindblade, if you discover that the benefits of massage are as much emotional as physical. "People use us as their 'other therapist,'" she says. "Like hairdressers, we hear 'everything,' and we're ethically required to keep our clients' confidence."

A 30 minute Swedish massage costs $30. Same day appointments are sometimes available. Call 645-7414 for more information. * * *

Here are some other possibilities for great ways to usher in the last year of the twentieth century. None of them are fattening, expensive or designed to leave you

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Community meetings promise a strong start to 1999

Editor's note:
As the new year begins, our local communities are setting goals and asking for involvement—like all of us, they're preparing for a productive 1999. The Park Bugle newspaper serves the cities of Lauderdale and Fulen Heights and the communities of St. Anthony Park and Northwest Como Park. The following four articles give residents a quick look into what's going on in their community. Here's your chance to read about how your neighborhood "works" and to learn how you can get involved.

Lauderdale hosts winter carnival and goal-setting session by Kristin D. Anderson

Lauderdale is starting the new year off with a bang with two important events. First, the City Council will hold its annual goal-setting session on Monday, January 4, at 7 p.m. At this meeting, council members and staff discuss their goals for the city as a strategic planning session. On January 23, the St. Anthony Park Winter Carnival, co-sponsored by a metalloids hunt, building and A very exciting event is the annual winter carnival, which takes place at the park on the corner of Fulham and Rosedawn Avenue. All residents are welcome to this city-wide event.

"Being involved in Lauderdale is as easy as coming down here to City Hall or making a phone call," said Rick Gutekunst, City Administrator. He noted that one couple bought candy to the City Hall for the Halloween party, and ended up on a new committee. A woman who came to vote casually asked staff some questions and ended up volunteering to be involved.

The mayor of Lauderdale is Mary Dous, who has served in this capacity since 1992. The City Council, which meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, is made up of members Jack Barlow, Clay Chatterson, Karen Gill-Georg and Denise Hawthorne. City staff include: Administrator Rick Gutekunst, Administrative Analyst Dan Olson, Public Works Coordinator David Hinchlief, and Maintenance Coordinator Joe Hughes.

There are several committees and groups, including the 25th Anniversary Planning Committee, which meets as needed to plan the 1999 celebration; the Park and Community Improvement Committee, which plans such events as the Halloween Party and the Snow Carnival; the Nature Area Committee; and the Garden Club. Committee meetings are not informal affairs. Instead, to retain professionalism, meetings are conducted like regular council meetings. The public is always welcome.

It's hoped that Lauderdale will continue to be the "pinnacle of citizen involvement." Phone calls and mailings will be reviewed by neighborhood gatherings. The city mails out quarterly newsletters as well as a directory biennially to each residence. This mine of information covers topics such as permits, composting, and recycling, as well as directories by name and address. Business, churches and apartments are also listed.

Council meeting agendas are posted in the City Hall on the Tuesday preceding the meeting. Minutes are available at the office, and the budget plan is always available at cost. All public meetings are televised live on channel 16; the council meetings are also broadcast.

Como Neighborhood — past and future by Laurel Ostrow

Those who live in the Como neighborhood may know Barbi Metzger, who has been the community organizer with District 10 since 1995. Previous to this post, Metzger worked for District 6 for several years, and as an organizer with United Way. She has an excellent understanding of the citizen participation process and its history in St. Paul. That history is an interesting one. In 1978, the federal government began sending large amounts of money to urban areas in order to improve their infrastructures. To receive these funds, a mechanism by which citizens could make decisions had to be established. Thus, there are now 11 citizen participation districts in St. Paul. They not only hope for, but require citizen participation in the decision-making process. As federal funding decreased, finding financial support for District 10 has sometimes been a struggle. This year, fund-raising efforts yielded good results, thanks to donations, T-shirts sales and a successful Como Days.

The Capital Improvement Budget is part of the citizen's participation system as well. In January, throughout the city, people turn in proposals for a variety of neighborhood projects. A city-wide volunteer Capital Improvement Budget (CIB) committee ranks the neighborhood projects in order of priority. Recently, a large sum of money was awarded from CIB funds in order to renovate Tilden Park. Metzger cited several additional examples of dynamic projects in the works in the Como area, and how Citizens groups are getting their neighborhood's needs met. These include a face lift on the North Side of Larpenteur to add concrete planters and lanterns to match renovations planned on the Roseville. Metzger said this collaboration between a city and a suburb is unique. The Como-Northdale Recreation Center has needed a new gymnastium for many years, and has recently received a citizen suggestion to begin renovation of the old building. The board has the last word, but community votes are nearly always adhered to within the board's decision-making process.

Presently, there are 15 members who sit on the Como Council Board. There are four officers and three representatives from each of three sub-districts. The remaining seats are for "at large" delegates. The term for Board membership is two years, and Board members may run for more than one consecutive term, but may be elected in order to continue serving.

The annual meeting, at which new Board members will be elected, will be held on February 16 at 7 p.m. There are eight open seats. Those interested in representing the district need only come to the meeting and be nominated and elected. All District 10 residents and business owners are eligible. For more information, call the District 10 office at 644-3889.

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Falcon Heights plans for exciting 1999
by Dave Healy

It will not be as usual in Falcon Heights during 1999. While the usual business will still get done, a lot of energy will be devoted to celebrating the city's 50th birthday. April 1 is the actual birthday and will be marked by a kickoff event that will include oral histories of the city. Throughout the year, a variety of events are planned to promote the city's assets and help develop community pride.

May will feature a parade with cars and costumes from each of the decades in the city's history. On July 29, the annual Ice Cream Social will ratchet up a notch in honor of the 50th birthday. The highlight of that event promises to be a massed lawn chair open to all in attendance.

August is the month for Crazy Days, a promotion by the city's businesses. In September, a Fall Festival will include an auction and street dance. October will feature a walking/biking tour of the city's points of special interest, which will end at Gibbs Farm.

The year 1999 won't be all fun and games, however. One important goal for the year, according to Mayor Sue Gehrz, is to create a year 2000 task force to prepare for technologies transition as the new millennium approaches. That group's focus will move beyond City Hall. "We think that the city's computer system is well prepared for Y2K," said Gehrz. "But we also feel a responsibility to the larger community, to prepare people at the household and neighborhood level to look out for each other in the event of problems beyond our control — if, for example, there were a power outage."

To that end, the City Council is planning an intergovernmental forum for early 1999 that will focus on emergency preparedness.

An ongoing project that may affect Falcon Heights in 1999 is the redesign of Larpenteur Avenue. Phase III of the project, which will involve the section between Arona and Hamline, may get under way this year. While the county is responsible for the actual road work, the city gets involved with streetcape issues and will continue to work on improving the business environment and retail identity along Larpenteur.

Falcon Heights also plans to do significant street reconstruction in the city's northeast quadrant this year.

St. Anthony Park hosts holiday meeting
by Dave Healy

As they anticipate 1999, the St. Anthony Park Community Council is singing a familiar tune: "Get Involved." Executive Director Heather Worthington recommends Council involvement as an excellent way to get a taste of city government, learn about the neighborhood, and work on issues important to the community.

Neighborhood residents have two ways to involve themselves with the Community Council. One is by running for a delegate seat. The annual election will be held in April, but there is currently an alternate seat open for south St. Anthony Park, so an interested resident from that neighborhood could be appointed immediately to fill out the remainder of this year's term and then run for reelection in April. The only requirement for Council membership is to live in the neighborhood. Renters as well as property owners are welcome.

A second level of Council involvement is to serve on one of three committees. The Environment Committee and the Housing and Human Services Committee meet the fourth Wednesday evening of each month, while the Physical Planning Committee meets at 11:30 a.m. on the first Friday of each month.

Committee membership is open to any neighborhood resident and, according to Worthington, is a good way to learn about how the larger Council works and to see its impact on city government. "This is a way to get involved on a grass-roots level and make a difference in the neighborhood," she said.

Worthington would also like to see more interested residents attend Community Council meetings, all of which are open to the public. The next meeting will be a special holiday meeting at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, January 13, at Luther Seminary's Olson Campus Center.

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The St. Anthony Park Business Association is a membership organization whose mission it is to promote, maintain and enhance the business community in St. Anthony Park, the neighborhood of St. Paul bounded by city limits to the north and west, I-94 to the south, and Transfer Road to the east.

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Purchase agreement for Community Garden in the works

We want to take this opportunity to update the neighborhood and the progress of the Railroad Park and Community Garden purchase.

We are happy to report that we have a signed letter of intent for the garden property, and a small parcel to the north of that property. The Council will be moving forward with a purchase agreement in the next month or so. To date, we have fundraised nearly $15,000 from many sources: the City of St. Paul, Erat and Fran Rouching, the neighborhood foundations, and neighbors.

We are still in need of donations to cover the costs of a title search, phase I environmental study and survey of the property. These items will cost approximately $10,000. As part of the sales contract, we will also have to construct a fence at the northern boundary of the property. The cost of this is unknown at this time, but we know that it will be considerable. In short, we still need your support.

When we began working on this project back in February, it had little hope of being able to purchase the property. Another customer wanted to build an industrial business on the site. In past years, prior to it becoming a vacant lot, it has been a dumpsite. With the help of many neighborhood volunteers the Air Force ROTC, it was cleaned up and graded for use as a garden. It also became an important buffer between the industrialized rail corridor and the residential neighborhood.

We feel that the BNSF has become an important partner in helping us achieve our goal. They have agreed to an in-kind donation of a portion of the purchase price of the property. They have stayed at the table for nearly 10 months, discussing the purchase and working through challenges presented to them by this purchase.

Our partnership with Erat and Fran Rouching has been extremely important. As a valued business partner, they are able to stay in the neighborhood by continuing to utilize the east end of the property for screened parking.

The neighborhood has benefited from having a strong and friendly business next door. The gardeners that have worked so hard on this project are to be commended as well. Without them, there would be no garden.

We are happy to bring this tangible, neighborhood-driven project to the Park as a gift for future generations. Help us keep the momentum going. And, if you have questions, please feel free to call us at 651-5992.

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Citizen Police Academy

by Natalie Zett

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n 1993, I wrote an article that for the Park Bugle that described a crime. At that time, two men who tried to rob the Hampden Park Food Co-op were shot and killed by a security guard. Shortly after the incident, I wondered if police would be involved. I have never forgotten it. The article was not an award, but the experience of facing the police has had a lasting impact. Therefore, when I first heard of a "Citizen Police Academy" a year ago, I was interested. I never heard of such a thing, and it seemed I should check it out.

The Citizen Police Academy (CPA) is a nine-week training course held on Wednesday evenings. The training is offered once or twice a year, and its purpose is to educate the citizens of St. Paul about the structure and activities of the police department. While it is not a substitute for the budget of the Chief of Police, the CPA does hope that these academies will facilitate feedback from citizens.

To sum up, I simply completed a form. I thought it would be jam-packed and take forever to get in. Instead, I learned the academy I applied for was canceled — not enough interest. Fortunately, I was able to get into the next one. However, I was surprised to notice my heart palpitating as I pulled into the Police Station parking lot (at 11th Street in downtown St. Paul) the first night of class. In all honesty, my feelings toward police have been ambivalent. Always glad to see them out and about; yet, I'm sometimes afraid of them. Who are these mysterious people willing to lay down their lives for us? Who would be behind the double-doors: John Wayne, Dirty Harry, or the guys from Dragonetti?

Instead, an older, friendly man, an alumnus of a previous CPA, was waiting to escort us to the Training Unit. Once in the auditorium, we were each welcomed warmly by Ruth Siedschlag, the Training Coordinator. Siedschlag, a civilian who works full-time for the department, distributed ID badges, parking permits, and notebooks. The class was comprised of about 20 people, a diverse group of men and women representing the citizens of St. Paul. I took my seat in the lecture hall and read the syllabus. The course agenda was intense! Even with three lectures each night, how would we get through all of this material in just eight weeks?

I noticed the Chief of Police would lecture us the first night. Surely, this must be the Hollywood Action Hero I was waiting for. When William Finney, Chief of Police, entered the auditorium, the atmosphere did indeed change. Yet, if there was hardness or cynicism, it was undetectable in this affable, gracious man who smiles easily. Finney, a twenty-year plus police veteran, broke the ice by discussing two of his favorite topics: Saint Paul. ("I have been married when it comes to St. Paul. I was born here, I live here, and I just love it") and his pride in the St. Paul Police. ("We do our best to hire the best and to set high standards.") Finney discussed the more violent crimes he’s had to work with over the years. "It’s difficult," said Finney, "to explain what it is like to deal with this stuff. We have psychologists and chaplains to help officers cope with this. First and foremost, though, humanity has to exist in the mind of an officer; yet he or she also, at the same time, has to be a tough professional." A difficult balance to strike.

The tone was set. The following weeks were

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Bungle wins top award for excellence

Sometimes it’s fun to root for your own horn, or blow your own bugle, so to speak. The Park Bugle has cause enough to do so — once again, the newspaper has won the first place award for General Excellence in the annual contest sponsored by the Neighborhood and Community Press Association (NCIPA). The Bugle also won first place for Best Continuing Design, an award that Bugle Board member Joanne Schacht should be proud of, as she’s largely responsible for the paper’s redesign. The Neighborhood and Community Press Association is more than 25 years old and is one of the oldest urban neighborhood press groups in the country. This contest was judged by media professionals in the Twin Cities and greater Minnesota. The Bugle was judged in a category for medium-sized newspapers.

These 1997 awards illustrate the Bugle’s excellence on many fronts. As the list below indicates, the Bugle placed at the top, or near top, in everything from Best Illustration to Best Ongoing Columns. So let’s blow the bugle for a job well done!

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Young Dance presents “January Thaw” on January 14 at 9:45 and 11:15 a.m. at the St. Paul Student Center Theatre, 2007 Buford Ave. All seats must be reserved in advance by calling 612-827-0605. Young Dance is a unique modern dance company of young people from eight to 18 years of age and is directed by Sam Costa, a St. Anthony Park resident.

MUSIC
Ethos Percussion Group promises exciting performance
The Music in the Park Series presents the Ethos Percussion Group (Joseph Gramley, Eric Pirkey, Mark Shriver and Michael Sprouses) in a percussion extravaganza on January 24 at 4 p.m. at St. Anthony United Church of Christ (2129 Commonwealth Ave. at Chapel Road). Known for its entertaining performances, Ethos generates both musical and visual excitement with an array of percussion instruments from around the world. The New-York-based Ethos is in residence at the Children’s Museum of Minnesota and has performed at the Lincoln Center’s Alice Tully Hall and Carnegie Recital Hall. The ensemble made its international debut at London’s Wigmore Hall in February of 1998. For tickets or information, call 651-645-5099.

EXHIBITS
Paper Bazaar at Raymond Avenue Gallery
“Paper Bazaar: An Exhibition of Small Work” is now showing at the Raymond Avenue Gallery, 761 Raymond Ave. Four Minnesota artists will present small-scale artwork made of or on paper. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

COMO CONSERVATORY displays work by Mark Granlund
The Como Park Conservatory will display the artwork of Mark Granlund until January 31. His work consists of charcoal drawings of orchids from the Conservatory’s collection. Granlund has been a resident artist at the Conservatory for four years, where he manages arts and environmental programs for youth and adults.

St. Anthony Park Community Council NEWS
HOLIDAY SOCIAL AND MEETING
Please join the St. Anthony Park Community Council at the Olson Student Center, Luther Seminary on January 13th at 7 p.m. for our Holiday Social and Meeting. Call Heather at 651-649-5992 for further information. Everyone is welcome!

CRIME ALERTS
St. Anthony Park has experienced the following incidents in the last month: A woman was sexually assaulted near the Tennis Courts at Hoyt and Cleveland Avenue, Thursday, December 3 after sunset. The assailant is described as a dark-skinned white male, possibly Hispanic, medium build, with dark curly hair, 5’8” to 5’11”, with dark jins or sweatpants, white Adidas tennis shoes, and a stocking over his head. If you have any information on this crime, please call the University of Minnesota Police at 624-3550.

The St. Paul and St. Anthony Village Police report that a male suspect is active again in St. Anthony Park. This person preys on garden level apartments, and poorly lit areas. He is described as a dark-skinned/tanned caucasian male, with dark hair, 5’8” to 6’, stocky or chunky build, in his 30’s. He wears a stocking or a scarf over his face. If you see this individual, please make a report immediately to the St. Paul Police by dialing 911.

St. Anthony Park Community Council at 651-649-5992 if you have any questions, or would like further information or crime alert flyers. We need your help!

Join a Book Club.
Book clubs have become a cultural phenomenon of the 90’s. Oprah pushes them on TV, and thousands of ordinary readers have banded together as well to share ideas and reactions to books that provoke and entertain them. There are probably dozens of book clubs in the area, but here are two that are looking for new members.

The Faith and Fiction Club meets at the St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ and welcomes readers from all religious backgrounds. Club spokesperson Mary Ann Peterson emphasizes that members don’t confine themselves to literary titles, but are interested in a broad variety of books that offer insight into moral or ethical concerns. The Club meets monthly on a Sunday evening at 7 p.m. This month’s meeting is scheduled for January 31, and the book to be discussed is John Irving’s Cider House Rules, a tale of a physician/philosopher father and his surrogate son at the St. Cloud Orphanage. For more information call Peterson at 612-721-4135.

Go cross-country skiing on a moonlit night at the University Golf Course.
You don’t have to be a member of the University community to use the Bolstad Golf Course in winter. Just strap on a pair of cross-country skis. There are entrances to the course on Larpent Avenue, Cleveland Avenue, and on Fulham Street. University officials caution that the cross-country trails are not groomed and that there are no evening lights, but that shouldn’t be a problem if you choose your time carefully. There’s a full moon on New Year’s this year. If it’s a clear night, why not begin the very last January of the 1990s on skis?
Sally Marie Boutique and Gallery
Como Park residents create artist’s haven

by Laurel Ostrow

The building, on the corner of Nebraska and Handline in the Como neighborhood used to be a grocery store—now it’s an artist’s haven. In 1977, Sally Marie and her first husband, Carl, bought the place, groceries and all. With good speed, Carl sold all the groceries and remodeled the building in order to put in a gallery and a sub-level space for Sally Marie’s boutique business. Now the building has a brown sign out front that reads Sally Marie Gallery. ‘It was really beautiful around here with flowers and plants,’ Sally Marie reminisces.

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Lustig’s scarves at fine store across the country such as Takashimayas, the pace de resistance of Manhattan shopping, and The Bibelot on Como Avenue. Wear a Lustig original with pride. Incidentally, Lustig means ‘meiny’ in German and her exuberant textiles bring us closer to reaping cheery days.

Carol died at 50, leaving her with five children and the gallery. Always a fan of oil painting, she began to paint herself and was determined to keep the gallery open. Eight years later, she married a man whose paintings she’d sold for years, Herb Waldorf, the portrait and water color artist. Both shared a passion for art. The main floor of the building now displays Waldorf’s paintings, as well as the work of other prominent visual artists. Herb Waldorf has done beautiful works in watercolors, and some are local scenes around St. Paul and Como Park.

The Waldorfs also provide framing and mating services, as well as the sale of unframed prints. Sally Marie makes swaps and decorations in addition to painting her delicate oils of flowers and landscapes.

During a four week period around the holidays, Sally Marie presents the Star Angel Boutique. In her shop, one is immediately immersed in an old fashioned feeling of Christmas. More than a dozen artisans, all of them local, contribute holiday items they’ve crafted: small lamps, ornaments, stockings, hand made doll clothes and various angels, to mention a few. Sally Marie has a number of customers who return year after year, as well as many newcomers. These are the early holiday shoppers; the boutique closes in

More than a dozen artisans, all of them local, contribute holiday items they’ve crafted.

November. The main gallery will have holiday items on display throughout the season. The gallery is only open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 11-5, and Saturdays from 11-4. ‘We’re semi-retired,’ Sally Marie said with a smile, ‘We’re lucky to be doing what we love.’ However, judging from the meticulous way in which these local business people present their inspiring wares, more than luck has gone into their artistic success.

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Winter transforms Como Park's golf course from fields of green to meadows of deep drifted snow. During the week, the course is quiet, with skiers scattered here and there among the ponds and woodlands. But on Sunday afternoons in the deep of winter, the snow-covered hills are filled with brightly clad skiers and children laughing and shrieking with excitement. Gliding skate skiers, sweeping downhill snowboarders and traditional cross-country skiers take to the trails with eagerness. Groomed trails thread skiers around small ponds, through groves of trees, and into backwoods and bays. Long colorful lines of students follow instructors on winding trails.

The Como Branch of the Minnesota Youth Ski League (MYSL), is in its 11th season at Como Park. Classes in cross-country and skate skiing, outings, an equipment swap, instructor training and festivals are all part of the fun. Eight-week classes range from "first steppers" (generally ages 4-8) who learn the basics from how to take ski off and on, how to dress, and how to glide and stop, through "silver skis" (generally ages 11-15), an advanced program that introduces young skiers to racing, jumping, back country skiing, telemark and ski orienteering. The programs emphasize fun, fitness and development of a life-long love for outdoor sports as family recreation. After class, treats are served in the Clubhouse.

Anne Rykken, leader of the Como Park Club, says, "It's an opportunity for kids and parents to get out and do an outdoor activity together in the winter." The Como Club is the most popular of the 14 MYSL clubs in the area; in fact Como is the biggest children's cross-country ski club in the U.S., with 180 children participating per year, and approximately 25 coaches. Why is Como so popular? Rykken can readily list the reasons: "Our goal is to teach kids a sport that they can do all their life, a lifelong sport. We have a good facility, the City of St. Paul is very supportive of our program, and we have a lot of enthusiastic volunteers that are willing to come out for eight Sundays in a row." Alumni of the six-level curriculum are eligible to become a junior coach, assisting the adult coaches each week. "The junior coaches add a lot to the classes," Rykken observed. "They're particularly fun because most of them started skiing here when they were four or five years old. To see them come back now and help teach them is very special. They ski much better than the rest of us," she laughed.

Marnie Myhre, of St. Anthony Park, volunteers as a coach each winter because "it's fun to teach the kids, then watch them fly up and down the hills." As a parent, she enjoys watching how much her children have developed skills over the years. Jake, age 10, has taken all the cross-country classes. "I'm looking forward to skate skiing this year, because it's fun," Jake said.

Each December, MYSL provides a weekend of coaches training at Giant's Ridge Ski Area to gear up for the coaches have a contagious enthusiasm. St. Anthony Park, like the classes become to participate in games and being out fun," His mother, Sally McGuire, concurred — that structure — that encourages family, doing something outside in the being outside, but sometimes we need St. Anthony Park like the lessons here, rather than just listening," Ian started. McCord, was surprised at how he took program up for fun. They inspire a love kids would find it too hard and not en

To support their motto "Cold is Cool" activities to celebrate the season. An is the annual Urban Back Country Ski Touring at selected sites in the Twin G encourage students to practice their ski
February, MYSL sponsors the Ski Clinic for the Como Club. The Carnival this year
feature music, clowns, Root Beer Relay in Cities area.

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For more information about classes and events, call the MYSF office at 651-687-6714.

Photos by Scott Rykken

P I E C E

park’s Youth League

by Rose Groggire

What kids like about ski lessons

"I like just being out there, skiing, because you can go really, really fast and have races. Also, I do like the school." — MacKenzie Ehrth, age 9, St. Anthony Park

"Even if I'm behind, one of the instructors comes and helps me keep going. They really work with you." — Hannah Sox, age 9, Como Park

"You get to ski with your friends and meet new friends. They have organized trails and races. At the end is the carnival and that’s fun." — Nick DeMai, age 12, St. Anthony Park

"When I started, I didn’t know how to ski at all. But it was easy to learn. Now I really like going to classes and just skiing." — Jan Levy, age 10, St. Anthony Park

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1998 REAL ESTATE UPDATE

One thing people are always curious about is what’s happening with real estate in the Park.
So far, in 1998, these things have happened:
* 39 single-family homes sold through the Regional Multiple Listing Service
* The average sale price was $178,413
* In 1997, the average sale price was $146,700
* The average market time was 20 days
* The lowest priced house was $99,900
* The highest priced was $592,000
* Ten houses failed to sell during contract time
* Of those that failed to sell, the average market time was 68 days
* The average price, per square foot, of the houses that failed to sell, was 10% higher than those that did sell. This may indicate that they were overpriced.

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IN BRIEF

Street plans considered for Falcon Heights neighborhood

The Falcon Heights City Council is considering proceeding with the final phase of the city’s improvement program that began in 1991. Plans call for reconstructing Ashby, Holton, Albert (north of the bridge), Piscat, Simpson, Ruggles and portions of Crawford this spring. The proposed project includes rebuilding the streets with new curbs and gutters, adding storm sewers where needed, and evaluating gas, electric, telephone and cable utilities. The total project cost is estimated at $1,408,000 with an assessment to abating paying residential properties of $26.50 per foot.

Como neighborhood implements street plans

In 1999, many of Como neighborhood’s residential streets will be paved, with curbs and gutters and street lighting added. The City of St. Paul Department of Public Works has held a series of meetings this fall with area residents to discuss what changes will be included in this residential street paving project.

Thanks to all who helped with St. Anthony Park and Como Park clean-up

This year’s St. Anthony Park/Como Park Clean-up was extremely successful. We had over 600 cars go through the cleanup site in a six hour period. We recycled the majority of items received, and actually decreased the amount of refuse taken to landfills or Newport for incineration this year.

We are discussing the possibility of holding another Spring Brush Day in 1999. Please call Heather Worthington with your ideas about this event, and feedback regarding this year’s cleanup at 649-5992.

— Heather Worthington

Commemorative bricks at the SAP Library

A terrace of personalized paving bricks will enhance the new handicapped accessible entrance of the St. Anthony Park Branch Library. Almost 200 bricks have been sold to those who made a contribution of $250 or more during the fiscal drive a year ago. There is still time to make a contribution and have a brick designated in honor of a someone special or as an indication of support of the library. The bricks will be placed where construction is complete, and the orders for personalized bricks will be completed in January. Pick up a form at the library or call Afton West, publicity chair, at 651-649-0881 to have one mailed to you.

— Kevin Devi

Classses for seniors

The Elder Learning Institute (ELI) at the University of Minnesota announces its winter session courses and activities for persons of retirement age. Twenty-four courses are offered on a variety of topics. Winter session begins January 11 and ends February 19, 1999. Spring session runs from March 29 to May 21, 1999. To request a course list or any other information, call 612-624-7847.

World Language Classes

The International Institute of Minnesota, located at 1604 Como Ave., is offering evening language classes from January 11 to April 5, 1999. Languages offered include French, Italian, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish. Call 651-647-8183 for more information.

Area YMCA offers new programs

The Midway Family YMCA is offering men’s, women’s, co-ed, and teen boys and girls volleyball and basketball leagues for the new year beginning in January. Also slated for the upcoming winter session is a dance class for kids ages seven to 12. Call the Midway Family YMCA at 651-646-4557 for more information.

Como Council holds annual meeting

The District 10 Como Park Community Council annual meeting will be held on February 16. Election of new board members will take place at this meeting. If you would like more information, call their offices at 644-3889.

Sports tournaments at Langford Park Rec Center

The Langford Park Rec Center’s Classic Hockey and Basketball Tournament will take place from January 3 through January 10. The Rec Center’s Winter Sports Days will be held January 23 and 24. There will be a medalion hunt, skating races, snow sculpting and a food booth. Call 298-5765 for more information about either event.

Field Trip to Afton Alps

The Langford and South St. Anthony Rec Centers are sponsoring a field trip to Afton Alps on Friday, January 29. This event is for children in grades 6 and up. Call 298-5765 for cost and other information.

Youth classes and activities

The South St. Anthony and Langford Rec Centers will offer the following classes beginning the week of January 18: chess, cooking, figure skating, tumbling, and gym class. Call 298-5765 for specific dates and times.

Lauderdale’s Winter Carnival

Lauderdale’s Sno Commotion Winter Carnival, complete with a medallion hunt, bonfire, marshmallow roast, ice skating and snowman-building contest, will be held on January 23. This event will take place from 4 to 6 p.m. at the warming house in the city park on the corner of Fulham and Rosewood Avenue.

St. Anthony Park Council holds holiday meeting

The St. Anthony Park Community Council will hold a special holiday meeting at 7 p.m. on January 13 at Luther Seminary Olson Campus Center. Call 649-5992 for details.

NEIGHBORS

On October 30, St. Anthony Park Bank honored Park resident Christine Elsing for her 20 years of dedicated service. She was honored and presented with a beautiful mardi gras bracelet.

Natalie Hoyte was recently recognized as an all-conference-scholar athlete at St. Olaf College. To be considered as a scholar athlete, the athlete must maintain a 3.5 G.P.A. or higher and also must be of at least sophomore standing.

Yezid Briti, a resident of Commonwealth Terrace Cooperative student housing, performed in the Minnesota Boychoir’s annual holiday concert in New York City.

Founded in 1962, the Minnesota Boychoir is the oldest boychoir in the Twin Cities. Auditions for new members are held throughout the year. Contact Mark Johnson at 651-292-3219 for information about auditions and performances.
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Q & A

What’s a creative use for snow?
Photographs and interviews by Alyse Wolting

Meriel and her dad
Don McCell
“Your can make snow ladies instead of snowmen!” says Meriel. “For cooling down after a sauna!” adds Don.

Patty Guerra
“Gather 10,000 ‘flies’ and ask who they voted for governor!”

Kim Tyler
“The other day I gathered some snow in a glass to show my two- and a half-year-old son a science experiment. He thought it was neat — until it melted. Needless to say, now we have a snowball sitting in the freezer.”

Vivian and her mother
Christina Kolumbi
“I would make snow angels, and make big sculptures of snow with pictures on them like at the ice rink,” says Vivian.

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Northern Lights 4-H Club — a rising star

by Pamela Alderink

G
ood things are happening in the Northern Lights 4-H Club. New leadership, increasing enrollment, and a renewed focus on 4-H learning opportunities seem to be adding new vitality to the club.

New leadership has come at both the club level and the county level. At the club level, long-standing organizations led by Barbara Burk resigned in 1997. "My kids have grown beyond the age of wanting to participate," said Burk.

Kathy Behrens assumed the position of president. "Barbara Burk had successfully and creatively led the group for many years," said Behrens, who has been involved with Northern Lights for more than 14 years.

At the county level, three key leadership positions were also filled in 1997. Northern Lights parent leaders are pleased with the increased effectiveness and involvement of staff at the county level. "They're always there to give ideas and encouragement," said Behrens.

"They've also improved on the communication by sending out mailings that are more informative."

Membership in the Northern Lights is expected to be about 80 this year, up from 25 members last year. Over the past two years the club has attracted members from a larger geographic area. Traditionally, most members have been St. Anthony Park residents. The club now has members from Lauderdale, Roseville, and the Cambridge area.

The Northern Lights' renewed focus on learning has also contributed new energy. Several types of learning opportunities are available to members. One is the Livestock Club theme. Last year the club focused on poultry. A short lecture and hands-on activities were presented by Mike Fickinger at monthly club meetings. Fickinger brought live chickens to the first club meeting. In the spring he brought eggs in an incubator. When the chicks hatched, he held a hatching party. The growing chickens were eventually delivered to a farm.

Citizen Police Academy . . . from page 5

treated to some amazing presentations by cops and civilian employees. To say the course was comprehensive is an understatement. Some highlights:

- We learned about the stringent educational, psychological and physical requirements of a St. Paul Police Officer. These standards must be maintained throughout the police officer's career.

- We heard from the bike cops how effective their work has been in capturing criminals. "They never lose it coming," said one of the bike officers.

- We were enthralling by the police lieutenant who described his process for questioning suspects.

- We learned the value of Block clubs. The police are adamant about the power of such neighborhood organizations as a deterrent to crime.

- We saw members of the Critical Incident Response Team (sometimes called SWAT teams) in their army fatigues, which was a little jarring at first. Yet, witnessing one of the officers get tear-gas-recalling the day when Officers Ryan and Jones, along with Lower the Canine, were killed, I saw this mingling of a tough professional with a tremendous heart.

- We discussed more disturbing aspects of the job, such as the reality of a homicide scene investigation, dealing with gangs, and sex crime notification.

Finally, we studied the use of force continuum. The chart on the wall made it appear clear-cut about when and when not to use deadly force. To get this learning into practice, we left the safe confines of the lecture hall. We were put into a Patton wagon (we wore gowns, being streamed, but driven from the police station to the IRS building, where we did our shooting simulations). Once inside, we were given brief training in how to fire a handgun and a gun that emitted laser beams.

We each took turns being a cop for a few moments as part a video-simulated crime scenario. My scenario entailed a downsized police officer and suspect. As I was investigating the scene, the suspect, who appeared ready to be dead, instead reached for his gun, I fired first, and missed. He kept firing at me while I strode and kept shooting. I kept telling myself that it was only a video, but it really brought him home to us that a wall chart is one thing; reality, albeit simulated, is much more difficult. There's nothing like walking a mile in someone else's shoes, even if it's only for a few minutes.

If there was a John Wayne or Dirty Harry in this bunch, I never saw him (or her). Instead I met some amazing individuals who put a whole new meaning on the word "dedication." Yet, one question remained: who would anyone do a job where they put their lives on the line daily? According to Ruth Steedschag, "It may sound crazy, but they do it because they believe in it. They really think they can make a difference in this world."

Toward the end of our training, I saw a St. Paul Police car speed by me. As I looked at the woman cop, I felt camaraderie. I knew what she went through to get there, and that she has to keep proving herself.

"Be safe," I whispered to her as she disappeared around the corner. For more information about the Citizen Police Academy, contact Steedschag at 651-292-5583. Or check out the Web site at http://www.sfpd.state.mn.us/cpa.htm.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

1 FRIDAY
- Falcon Heights and Lauderdale recycling.

4 MONDAY
- St. Paul schools resume after vacation.
- AA, St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 8 p.m. 770-2646. Every Monday.
- Boy Scouts, St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 7 p.m. Every Monday.

5 TUESDAY
- Stathamans, Hewlett Park, 2025 Larpenteur Avenue, 7:30 a.m. 645-6675. Every Tuesday.
- Toy Time (for 5-year-olds and younger), Langford Park Rec. Center, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Every Tuesday. Call 228-5765 for details.
- St. Anthony Park Women's Group — no meeting in January. Check the Bugle for information regarding the next meeting.

6 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.

7 THURSDAY
- Tot Time (for 5-year-olds and younger), South St. Anthony Rec. Center, 10 a.m.—noon. Every Thursday. Call 228-5765 for details.

10 FRIDAY
- St. Anthony Park Community Council Physical Planning Committee, South St. Anthony Rec. Center, 890 Cromwell, 5 p.m.

11 MONDAY
- Como Park recycling.
- Park Press Inc. — Park Bugle — board meeting. ParkBank community room, 7 a.m.
- Falcons Senior Club, Falcon Heights, City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 1-3:30 p.m. Call 488-3361.

12 TUESDAY
- Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street, 7:30 p.m.
- Holly House Director: Dr. Patricia Lawler will share ways to achieve and maintain your ideal body weight, naturally. Free workshop, 6 p.m. Call 651-6051.
- Minnesota Waldorf School hosts informational meeting about their K-8 school from 7 to 9 p.m. at 2129 Fairview Avenue North. Call 612-636-6377 for more information.
- The Como-Midway Le Leche League will meet at 7 p.m. to discuss the advantages of breastfeeding. For meeting location or more information, contact Jeannie at 651-644-0062.

13 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.

15 FRIDAY
- Falcon Heights and Lauderdale recycling.

16 SATURDAY
- Lauderdale "500" Club, City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street, 1 p.m.
- Parent Information Fair — St. Paul school choices — St. Paul Armory.

18 MONDAY
- Martin Luther King Day.

19 TUESDAY
- Lauderdale Planning Commission, City Hall, 1891 Walnut, 7:30 p.m.
- District 10 Como Community Council, 7 p.m. Call 651-3889 for location.
- Falcon Heights Le Leche group meeting, 7 p.m. Call 651-917-7378 for more information.

20 WEDNESDAY
- St. Anthony Park recycling.
- Langford Booster Club, Langford Park, 7:30 p.m.

23 SATURDAY
- Lauderdale Park Zoo Commission Winter Carnival, 4 to 6 p.m., at the warming house in the city park on the corner of Fulham Street and Roselawn Avenue.

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O B I T U A R I E S

Bertil Anderson

Bertil "Bert" L. Anderson died on November 26. He was 86 years old. Anderson was a resident of Como Park Lutheran Church.

Anderson is survived by his wife of 38 years, Mae Anderson; and two daughters, Dianne Holden and Linda Asmund.

Ruth Crawford

Ruth Crawford, a longtime resident of St. Anthony Park, died on December 12. She was 83 years of age.

Born in Baltimore, Maryland, in March of 1915, she moved to St. Paul in 1940. In 1945, Ruth and Bryce Crawford moved to their Beacon Street home, where they lived for almost 50 years. They moved to 1666 Coffman in May 1998.

Crawford was active in her church and community. She was noted for her strong, yet gentle, personality and her dry sense of humor. Her writing enriched the meeting minutes she took for the women's meetings at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church.

She took part in FTA and in AFS, the student exchange program that she coordinated for the city of St. Paul. She was instrumental in starting the Block Nurse program in St. Anthony Park.

Survivors include her husband, Bryce Crawford; two sons, Bryce Crawford, III and Craig Crawford; a daughter, Sherry Crawford; and several grandchildren.

Alice Geis

Alice J. Sullivan Geis, a longtime resident of Como Park on Pascal, died on December 8. She was 85.

Geis was a charter member of Holy Childhood Catholic Church when it began just prior to World War II.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Vincent Geis in 1976; she is survived by two sons, Richard Geis and Gregory Cordeiro; a daughter, Barbara Burg; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; a brother, Brother Raymond Sullivan; and three sisters, Ruth Clark, and Genevieve and Catherine Sullivan.

Nona Margaret Johnson

Nona Margaret Johnson died at age 90 on December 5. She had lived most recently at the Lyngblomsten Care Center.

Johnson was a member of Midway Community Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Johnson, and an infant son, Henry; two sisters, Ceci and Freda; and a grandson, David Stewart. She is survived by a son, Donald Johnson; two daughters, Shirley Stewart and Merlyn Bierman; 13 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

Doris Moncrief

Doris E. Moncrief, a longtime resident of the Como Park neighborhood, died on November 20. She was 92 years old and had made her home on Pascal Avenue.

Moncrief was a parishioner at Holy Childhood Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Frederick Moncrief, she is survived by a son, Richard Moncrief; two daughters, Arlene Karbowski and Marilou Moser; six grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren.

Myrtle Olsen

Myrtle M. Olsen died at age 99 on November 23. She was a resident of Lyngblomsten Care Center.

Olsen was preceded in death by her husband, Thordial Olsen. Survivors include a daughter, Arlene Blomfeld; five grandchildren, Susan Pearson, Janet Anderson, Todd; Jim and Steven Blomfeld; four great-grandchildren; a great-granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

Fred Stevcken

Fred J. Stevcken, a longtime resident of the Como Park area, died on November 22, at the age of 73. His home was on McKelvie.

Stevcken was a graduate of the Class of 1943 at Murray High School, where he was an outstanding athlete. He was a teacher and coach in the St. Paul high schools, finishing his career at Como Park High School. He was a songwriter and avid fisherman.

He was a charter member of Holy Childhood Church.

Survivors include his wife, Joy Anfing Stevcken; a daughter, Joyce Stevcken; four brothers, Roger, Tom, and David Stevcken, all of St. Paul, and Bob Stevcken of Arizona; and 14 nieces and nephews.

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