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Park Foundation launches first grant program

by Dave Healy

Nonprofit organizations in the St. Anthony Park area have a new ally: the St. Anthony Park Community Foundation. Actually, the SAPCF has been in existence for nearly a year but is just now getting ready to launch its first grant program. According to executive director Ginger Bethe, the Foundation

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hopes that will happen sometime during the first quarter of 1999.

The SAPCF intends to supplement and complement the fundraising efforts of other area nonprofits. Treasurer Kent Eklund describes the SAPCF as a "collaborative, noncompetitive partner" with other organizations in the community. According to Eklund, community foundations are currently the fastest growing segment of American philanthropy, and the SAPCF is the only neighborhood community foundation in the Twin Cities.

A community foundation enables donors to put assets to work in a particular geographical area. Funds are contributed by individuals, businesses and

organizations. A foundation manages those funds and, through a regular cycle of grants, makes them available for projects in the community it serves.

To date the SAPCF has raised \$81,000. Some of that money has been pledged toward the Foundation's endowment and some toward specific projects of the donor's choosing, while other funds will be part of a general pool the SAPCF will draw on to support targeted community assets. Areas the SAPCF plans to focus on include education, arts and humanities, children and the elderly, and the preservation of historical buildings or sites particularly important to the neighborhood.

The SAPCF's vision is long-range. It intends to build an endowment that will enable it to provide funds from dividends, and it is interested in projects that seek long-term solutions to community needs.

Donations to the SAPCF may take the form of cash; appreciated assets such as stocks, bonds, or mutual fund shares; life insurance policies, with the Foundation named as beneficiary; real estate; or personal property.

Contributors may make either designated or undesignated donations. A designated gift could go toward one or more of the Foundation's priority areas, or it could be directed to a particular nonprofit organization of the donor's choosing.

Eklund notes that the SAPCF assumes responsibility for

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Valentine's Day at Hermes Floral

by Judy Woodward

If music be the food of love, roses are surely the sustenance of romance. And where better to nourish the appetite for roses than at Hermes Floral Design? On Valentine's Day at the Falcon Heights florist, red roses clearly dominate the menu.

According to Shirley Lennox, a motherly Cupid in blue jeans and a tailored black apron who manages the company's retail store, Valentine's Day at Hermes is "incredibly intense." She says, "It's the busiest short holiday of the year. More than 15 times as busy as an average day." And much of that business revolves around roses.

Lennox says that Hermes will sell about 7,000 roses for Valentine's Day, more than

10 times the normal number. There will be some single roses and some bunches of yellow and white blooms, but most of the roses will be sold in traditional bouquets of a dozen red blossoms. Comments Lennox, "Most people equate roses with love. But we're not just selling flowers, we sell pure emotion. People buy flowers from every possible emotion. Maybe to put spice in their marriage or maybe to appease a bad situation."

But some rose buyers are clearly more creative than others. Valentine's Day customers are largely male, says Lennox, and while most men are content to stick with the classic bouquet of a dozen red buds, there are many exceptions. Lennox remembers one man who ordered a very carefully composed bouquet. "He ordered a dozen roses for his wife," explained Lennox. "There were so many pink roses to stand for the couple's daughters, so many white blooms for the sons, and another color that stood for the grandkids."

Then there was the customer who probably set some kind of company record for romantic ardor. In a gesture that might strike some as positively un-Minnesotan, he confided to the Hermes staff that he was buying a dozen roses for the petals only. He planned to sprinkle them over the

nuptial bed in order to set the scene for a night of passion.

Lennox blushes mildly as she remembers that incident, but when she describes the scene at Hermes on Valentine's Day, it's clear that the keynote is more likely to be good-humored patience than tempestuous passion. "On the actual day, the lines of men go all the way out into the lobby area," she says. "They're very patient. All ages

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order roses, including the very young and the very old. Everybody's patient and good-natured. It's almost like the bar at Cheers. I guess they're romantic at heart."

Lennox has romantic suggestions for every swain. For the penniless Romeo, she notes, "A single rose can say a lot. That's all it takes sometimes to say a mountain of words."

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STAR funds available to businesses through ParkBank

by Pete Keith

ParkBank was recently selected by the city of St. Paul to be a designated lender of STAR (Sales Tax Revitalization) funds. STAR funds are designated for capital improvements to be used within the city of St. Paul.

These loans may be used to purchase and/or rehabilitate commercial real estate, purchase business equipment, or make leasehold improvements.

The particular STAR funds that are part of this low interest loan program are more specifically targeted for qualifying St. Paul businesses. They are intended to help small business owners that

normally don't easily qualify for loans.

ParkBank is one of only two banks in St. Paul that have been selected to lend these STAR funds. ParkBank and University National Bank are working with the city as part of a pilot program to basically assist in getting the STAR funds distributed. According to Galen Cadle, ParkBank Senior Vice President, "the money is there, but the city has been holding on to these funds."

The banks will effectively serve to help get the money to the businesses that can benefit. "Because of our networking and contacts, we can help get the money out there," said Cadle. "We're happy, the city is happy, and the St. Paul businesses who take advantage of this program will be happy. This is a good way to get these funds distributed."

For this pilot program, \$625,000 will be available to

qualifying businesses in the form of a matching loan at 5.25 percent interest. In addition to the below-market interest rate, the STAR fund loans can be used to offset the typical 20 percent down payment for a conventional loan. When factored in with the matching conventional loan, the effective down payment becomes 10 percent. This lower effective down payment will allow many businesses that could not otherwise qualify for conventional

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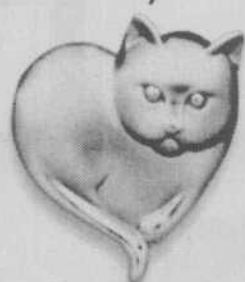
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What about the guy who wants to pull out all the stops and do the floral equivalent of batting a home run? For him, Lennox advises the "Hermes Deluxe" — a sumptuous assemblage of roses, greenery and white, frothy "filler" flowers like Baby's Breath. The bouquet costs about \$75, says Lennox.

Lennox, a 25-year veteran of the floral design business, is an expert at her trade. For one thing, she's a fluent speaker of the Language of Flowers. "Many times," she explains, "we're asked the meaning of flowers, especially the meaning of the colors of

roses." She's happy to offer a visitor a quick vocabulary lesson. "Yellow roses," she says, "mean friendship, and so do peach-colored ones. White roses stand for purity, and pink ones say 'I will cherish you forever.'"

And what about red roses? According to Lennox, their meaning is simple and perfectly suited to Valentine's Day.

"A red rose," declares Lennox, "says only one thing."

I love you.

Well, of course. What else would you expect from the other food of love? ■

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distributing funds as donors intend. He also stresses that the Foundation is committed to "the highest standards of fiduciary responsibility." The Foundation's assets are managed by an external professional investment firm.

The geographic region served by the SAPCF includes the St. Anthony Park Community Council boundaries, University Grove, 1666 Coffman, the

University of Minnesota's St. Paul campus, and the Fulham block of Lauderdale.

Individuals or groups interested in learning more about investment opportunities can contact the SAPCF at 651-641-1455 or care of 2417 Chilcombe Ave., St. Paul, 55108. For information about the first round of Foundation grants, watch future issues of the Bugle. ■

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financing to borrow money for needed capital.

Loans from the STAR funds are available to St. Paul businesses only. These loans may be used to purchase and/or rehabilitate commercial real estate, to purchase business equipment, or to make leasehold improvements, either as a tenant or an owner.

Cadle and ParkBank are very excited about this program. "It fits our charter to serve the community. We want to promote a healthy, vital business

community, to help businesses expand and hire people. This helps the city of St. Paul."

"Our big effort now is to help get the word out that we have these specialized funds available," said Cadle. "Our goal is to get these funds loaned out by year's end, and they are available right now!"

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Lauderdale's resolutions for the new year

by Kristin D. Anderson

Be it resolved that . . . In January, at a time when many of us were already breaking our New Year's resolutions, the Lauderdale City Council and staff were reviewing and discussing their aims for 1999. The result was a comprehensive listing of "City of Lauderdale 1999 Goals." Highlighted as priority items are:

- * Develop and Adopt Assessment Policy
- * Address Capital Improvement Plan Preparation Issues

- * Complete Plans and Preparation for Phase One of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)

The second goal, "Preparation Issues," includes financial plans, front yard parking, drainage issues, neighborhood meetings, county turnbacks, alleys and right-of-way encroachments.

Eighteen more goals complete the list, which is available at City Hall. They

range from "complete City Hall remodel" to "continue ordinance revisions" and from "purchase second truck" to "complete vision statement." Other goals include completing city history projects, preparing for the 50th anniversary celebration,

Also included on the city's list of goals is the "Year 2000 Computer Problem," a concern to the city as well as to residents.

working on an on-site generator grant, completing the DNR city park grant, researching housing redevelopment initiatives and programs, revising the tree plan/conducting a tree inventory, completing the zoning ordinance amendment, continuing to take a proactive role in commercial redevelopment, revising/updating the Lauderdale comprehensive plan, creating recreation programs, improving customer

service, researching inflow and infiltration into the sanitary sewer system, and completing a fixed asset inventory.

Also included on the list is the "Year 2000 Computer Problem," a concern to the city as well as to residents. Dan Olson, administrative analyst, is collecting data and keeping on top of the issue. The focus of this goal is three part: achieve city compliance, educate residents, and address emergency operations plan issues.

So far the Council and staff have kept one resolution, and that was to get these goals decided and down on paper. Now the time and hard work continues in a more focused way. The burden of the work, however, will fall on the shoulders of the staff, but Rick Getschow, city administrator, said, "We'll get to it all." And they just might. ■



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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, 1-94 to the south, and Transfer Road to the east.

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EDITORIAL

An object of my affection

From unusual love stories (pages 8-9) to a splendid essay on the love of words (page 5), this February issue is dedicated to all that we hold dear.

One of my personal true loves in this area is Como Park. Because of my dog and because of the various Winter Carnival medallion hunts (perhaps *this* is the year I'll find it!), I now know every nook and cranny. The golf course, the lake, the picnic grounds, the fallen tree in the woods and the white squirrel that hangs out near the mini golf course — I know them all. It's not mere fondness — I often wonder what I would do without this park. It's the place where dog owners congregate and chat while their beasts pounce and play, where parents watch children race around the playground, where Raptor Center volunteers fly birds, where a dedicated group practices martial arts all summer and skiers glide all winter. It's a refuge, a place of beauty, an escape.

The park is hosting several Winter Carnival events, so here's your chance to enjoy the area as well. The carnival starts on January 29 and runs through February 7. One main attraction is the giant slide, designed and built by the U. S. Army Reserve. Other activities include a Tree Maze, Snow Playground, skating rink, downhill and cross-country skiing, winter camping demonstrations, kite flying and Nordic ski races. There will also be a Polar Bear Plunge at the Lake Como Pavilion, and the Vulcan Fire Truck will be giving rides on January 31 from noon to 3 p.m.

We each have our sweethearts, I suppose; one of mine is a local park. I hope this month gives us all a chance to enjoy and reflect upon all that we love. ■

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LETTERS

Story about crime incidents elitist

The lead sentence from the January 1999 cover story which reports on the invasion of big city crime into the "small time atmosphere of north St. Anthony Park and Falcon Heights" reminded me of a visit I had over 10 years ago with a retired couple in the Grove. We were talking about St. Anthony Park and what a wonderful neighborhood it is, when they asked me where in St. Anthony Park I lived. I replied "south St. Anthony Park." There was a noticeable change in their demeanor and they replied, "oh, I hear that some nice people are now living there."

After living in the south St. Anthony Park for sixteen years, I can't see where our atmosphere is any less small town nor are we more crime ridden in comparison with our (apparently) more fortunate neighbors to the north. The type of snobbery demonstrated by the lead sentence has always been one of the darker parts of a very nice place to live. It is

destructive, it erodes our sense of community, and I was surprised to see that it played such a prominent role in the article.

Michael Olesen

Thanks to all who made the Railroad Park and Garden benefit a success

The St. Anthony Park Association would like to thank all the volunteers who made the December 8 holiday dinner such a memorable event! Heartiest thanks especially to Cindy Anderson, who convinced the singers and Morris dancers to perform without fee and orchestrated a terrific silent auction on very short notice; to Warren and Kikki Gore, who (with the help of Bobbi Megard, Abby and Don Marier, and Judy Schumacher) cooked the marvellous Greek dinner; and to Heather Worthington, who baked and decorated dozens of cookies and headed up the clean-up crew.

This event raised roughly \$2000 for the Railroad Park and Garden planned for the land south

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Q & A

What's the best gift to give a loved one on Valentine's Day?



Clay

"The best gift I gave was when I proposed over Valentine's dinner. I put the ring inside a tulip, and over desert, the flower opened up! I was nervous, but it worked out perfectly."



Amy

"The best gift I know is what my parents gave to me. They filled out the memory books I'd given them. The pictures, and the funny and sad memories mean so much to me!"



Oumou

"In my culture, we don't really celebrate this holiday. But I think if you love someone, that is the best gift you can give. A material gift is easily forgotten."



Yvonne

"The most romantic gift was when I was proposed to."

Photographs and interviews by Alyssa Whiting

Meet Susan McAllister, new Bugle Business Manager

by Rose Gregoire

A born traveler, Susan McAllister views her new position as the Bugle's Business Manager as another adventure. When McAllister returned last year from a year in England, she wanted her personal and professional activities to be more locally based, the way she saw Europeans organizing their communities. The position at the Bugle seemed to fit her desire for challenge and community involvement. "I took the position for the love of the neighborhood," she said, then added, "and because the Bugle staff are a fun group to work with."

Beyond paying the bills, managing subscriptions and advertising revenues, and handling distribution, McAllister also sees her role as one of strategic planning. "With the 25th anniversary approaching in July, the Bugle is at a wonderful juncture in time. This is a good time to take stock and look at where the Bugle has been, where it is headed, how it has evolved, what it will face in the future, and what kind of mouthpiece it should be for the



community." McAllister hopes that focus groups will be conducted to find out what readers want from the Bugle. She believes the Bugle has an important role in promoting appreciation of the close-knit neighborhoods it serves.

"This community is so unique," she said. "It is important to keep that sense of community, integrity and heritage."

McAllister brings impressive credentials to the position, but also enthusiasm and a deep commitment to the area. She has an undergraduate degree from UC-Davis, an MBA from Indiana in Finance and Banking, and extensive experience at Land O' Lakes in Market Research and Strategic Planning. She also taught

marketing and entrepreneurship at St. Thomas, and was the Associate Director of the Small Business Development Center.

After such a demanding career start, she, her husband Colin, and their two children Maddie and Cameron, took a break and traveled to Australia and New Zealand. They returned to St. Paul and their busy lives, but still dreamt about living in England, where Colin grew up. They decided on a trial move to Lincolnshire, a rural area of villages, friendly people, and abundant history. Their children attended the village school while Susan taught at Lincoln University and Colin remodeled their farm cottage.

After a year and much debate, they decided to move back. Much of it had to do with St. Anthony Park. "This community has a very European outlook — interesting people, travelers, and quaint aesthetics." When Colin returned to organize their move, he talked to the local mail carrier who steered them to a house that they quickly bought.

The McAllister's wanted to keep a bit of Lincolnshire with them and maintain their relationships with friends there. So,

inadvertently, started another adventure for Susan and Colin. They decided to start a small touring company to expose Americans to the England they knew — off the beaten track and rich in history. Since they needed to rent a container to ship their own belongings back to the U.S., they filled the remainder of the container with products from Lincolnshire artisans and English antiques. Their thought was to sell them during a short festival during the Christmas holidays to promote the touring venture. They were scouting sites in the suburbs when a lucky opportunity came up in Milton Square. The two-day festival drew over 500 people. The holidays are now over, but Larks Limited will continue featuring antiques, handmade products from England, and will sponsor English teas, film events, and discussions about gardening, architecture and history.

McAllister's plans to be more involved locally are working out nicely — Bugle Business Manager, local shop owner, homeowner, and member of the St. Anthony Park Business Association. Many hats, many responsibilities, many more adventures to come! ■

Photo by Truman Olson

COMMENTARY

The written word — a love story

by P. Newman

Have you ever played that rather morbid mind game that consists of determining which sense or which body part you could most easily do without? Is your sense of taste, for example, more expendable than your sense of smell? Would you be more willing to lose the ability to walk along the shore on a summer evening or the ability to remember the pleasure of the stroll? Like a kind of the strip poker of the faculties, you mentally jettison one after another of your human senses and talents until you are left with the bare irreducible complement of personal powers without which your life holds no meaning.

For me, the grotesque exercise is easily resolved: Take away my touch, my hearing, my sense of humor, the voice that reassures others of my existence; and I'll survive somehow. Reduce me to a withered husk of a person, curled into a wheelchair sans teeth, sans taste, sans the whole Shakespearean litany.

Sans everything, that is, but my eyes.

Or to be more specific, I can live without most of my senses, if only you leave me the power to read.

Others may confess to inappropriate passions and illicit loves for everything from fly fishing to a girl once seen and never forgotten fifty years ago in a train station. But for me, there's a constant love, a romance that has sustained me from the time I was barely six years old, through years of faithless friendships and broken hearts. It's a love that never needs a personal space or time to work on the relationship, but is always there to comfort, intrigue and support me. My true romance is always at hand, as close as today's newspaper or the neighborhood library. I've got it bad. I'm hopelessly enamored of the written word.

Not that I'm talking about transposing onto the printed page the passions and romance which properly belong to other spheres of life. Not for me, anyway, the vicarious emotions, the heaving bosoms and meaningful glances of what goes by the name of romance fiction. There's a difference, to my mind,

between those who read about love and those who simply love to read.

I fall into the second category. Like any lover, I am helpless to resist my beloved, and I can no more turn my face from the printed page than others can spurn the siren song of their innamorata's voice or the music that reminds them of the fateful night of their first meeting. I never enter an elevator without a book, in case we make a sudden unscheduled stop between floors. I never board an airplane or enter a doctor's waiting room or take my car to the garage to be serviced without arming myself with reading material. Such uncertain arenas of life as those are no place to find oneself without the protection of the written word.



When my family shopped for a new handbag for me at Christmas, they all agreed that the one feature any serious candidate for purchase absolutely had to have was an extra outside pocket to hold whatever book I was currently sharing my life with. I would no more be able to leave it behind than my checkbook, my wallet or any of the other essentials of my daily existence.

I have read at times and in places that no rational person would consider. Here is a list of them: I read in the shower, my book propped up just outside the circle of spray until the words begin to blur in the steam. I read in the delivery room, waiting for my children to be born, returning to my book each time the contractions slackened their fierce hold on my attention. I read in two-second intervals as my car inches forward on the metered on-ramps to the freeway.

Clearly I'm no ordinary reader, but the unfortunate victim of an all-consuming passion.

And a hopelessly outdated passion at that. In a post-literate society, what hope is there for someone, like myself, who reads not just for information, not merely for recreation, but for the voluptuous thrill of the printed page scrolling beneath my ardent glance. Any computer-literate five-year-old can tell me that

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Thanks, readers, for contributing to the Bugle fund drive

With the contributions from those listed below, our fund drive has collected \$14,654.70. Thanks to these recent contributors and all the past contributors who have helped us approach this fund drive's goal of \$20,000.

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Eighth graders at Murray muse about Valentines

From the philosophical to the nitty-gritty, students in Ms. Bittner's journalism class reflect on the perfect Valentine

"The perfect Valentine would be if the guy I liked went on the P-A system and said something very sweet to me so the whole school could hear. Then he called me down to the hallway in front of the office and gave me roses, chocolate, and a teddy bear."

— Ali

"I think that the perfect Valentine would be a nice card and a hug or kiss from the person you love. It's simple, but it means a lot."

— Ben

"Since I am not exactly sure what my ideal Valentine would be, I'm going to write about Candygrams. Before Valentine's Day, you can pay 25c to write a message to a friend and have it delivered with candy to your homeroom. They are not just romance cards — people get them from best friends as well as boyfriends and girlfriends. That's why it sometimes turns into a popularity contest. The most popular people get the most. Everybody in your homeroom sees how many you get, so I know many people who write Candygrams to themselves. Sometimes I think that elementary school teachers had the right idea in making everyone give everyone Valentines. Valentine's Day in junior high isn't just about love and friendship — it's also about exclusion."

— Anonymous

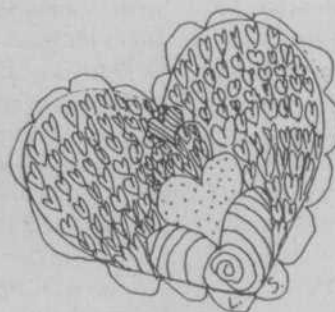


Illustration by Lucy, Age 8

"Well, I don't know the ideal Valentine and it might be because I don't think that there is one. Valentines are different from person to person. You give a person some chocolate and they'll love you, you give another person some chocolate and they'll think you're not so much into them. This is the reason I think there is no ideal Valentine, but there might be an ideal thought."

— Jag

"The ideal Valentine for me wouldn't be flowers, or chocolate, or a cute little stuffed teddy bear. It would mean a lot more to me if it was something homemade, like a construction paper heart or something with an honest message on it, not something copied off a Snoopy card. Even if it was really ugly, I would still love it."

— Lily

"I think the perfect Valentine is a simple 'I love you' from friends and family members. Just so I know that they care and that they're thinking about me. But then again, I wouldn't mind getting a dozen roses either."

— Kristen

"The ideal Valentine that I would cherish the most from my boyfriend before the new millennium would be for him to tell me something in person. That would mean a lot to me, rather than an actual gift. It's the thought that really counts."

— Libby

"To me, the perfect Valentine wouldn't have to be big, or fancy, or expensive. My ideal Valentine would just get the message through; somebody cared enough to take the time to write me a card. That's all that's important to me."

— Leah

"My ideal Valentine is just a Candygram. Candygrams are bags of candy with a written note inside them. The school will then deliver them on Valentine's Day. The getter would read the note and eat the candy."

I would want that. Last year I got one sent by a really good friend and was happy. I felt happy, I felt joy knowing that someone thought of me. I really appreciated it."

— Flannery

"I really like Lucky Charms but I only like the marshmallows. So I think it would be really sweet for a guy to buy me a box of them but inside there would only be marshmallows. Being creative can go a long way."

— Sarah

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Photography show at
St. Matthew's Church

St. Matthew's Church will present a photography show from February 14 through April 4. All community photographers are encouraged to enter up to four photos. Call the church at 651-645-3058 for application forms. There will be a special exhibition by David Shippee in connection with the show. An opening reception will be held on February 21 from 3 to 5 p.m.

BOOKS &
READINGS

Falcon Heights Book Club

The Falcon Heights Book Club will meet on February 16 to discuss *Cold Mountain* and on

March 16 to discuss *Asylum*. The club meets at the Falcon Heights City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur Ave. at 7 p.m. New members are always welcome. For more information, contact Laura at 651-646-7099.

SAP Writer's Group

The St. Anthony Park Writer's Group will meet on February 2 at 1261 Cleveland Ave. N #4-A at 7:30 p.m. Newcomers are welcome. Call 646-4343 for more information.

Poetry reading

Sandra Alcosser will read from her latest collection of poetry, *Except by Nature*, on February 4 at the University of Minnesota's Nolte Center Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. *Except by Nature* was published by Graywolf Press, located at 2402 University Ave.

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7:30-8:30 MAIN COURSE
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♥ HE MARRIED HIS MUSE ♥

by Judy Woodward



After years of working and saving, a poor but talented young artist named Otto Dallmann was finally able to enroll at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts. On the second day of art school, in 1929, he met a raven-haired beauty named Mary. And that, he says, "made it all worth it right there."

Seventy years later, 91-year-old Dallmann remains active as a distinguished sculptor, and the woman he calls "my Mary" is still his muse. They've been married for 63 years now, and Mary, who turned 90 a few months ago, has become an aristocratic-looking woman with classic cheekbones and a crest of pure white hair.

The Falcon Heights-based couple raised three children, and they now have six grandchildren and ten great-grandkids. But they never lost the romance in their own lives, as is clear to anyone who's ever seen Otto's eyes light up when Mary enters the room. Says

"Grow old along with me," says the poet.

"The best is yet to be." Maybe he was writing about the Dallmanns.

Otto, "I treat Mary the way I did when I courted her. I treat her the way she deserves."

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♥ KINDERGARTEN AND BEYOND ♥

by Michelle Christianson

Bob and Donna Bulger don't just love each other, they love their life.

It all started when they met in kindergarten in 1935. They both went to Murray for kindergarten and first grade and then went to Gutterson Elementary. All through their school years they enjoyed movies at the

What began so many years ago in Miss Knutson's kindergarten class has led to a full and happy life for Bob and Donna Bulger.

University campus or at the Midtown Theater, ice skating at the Coliseum (then called the Hippodrome), picnics in Roseville and dances at Murray, all with a large group of friends.

Because they were in high school during the war years, the Bulgers and their friends had little access to cars or if they had a car, had little gasoline. That didn't stop them from walking or taking the streetcars wherever they wanted to go, even to Stillwater.

After high school graduation, Bob went to the University of Minnesota to study pharmacy and Donna went to St. Catherine's, where she majored in library

science. Although they had put their romance on hold during college, they became engaged after graduation and married on October 6, 1951.

They have lived in St. Anthony Park all their married life, first in a Setona apartment and then in three different houses, all within



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♥ MOBILOPHILIA — A LOVE AFFAIR WITH CARS ♥

by Michelle Christianson

those cars is the driver!") He's a real purist who will look in junkyards all over the area to find a part or will build the part himself. He thinks of himself and others like him as artists.

Although Larson knows all the makes and years of cars from 1920 to 1970 by sight, he owns about 30 reference books with pictures and specifications for all models. He showed me a picture of the vehicle he's working on now — a 1955 GMC truck.

"I'm putting in about 25 hours a week

on that thing and I even have trouble sleeping at night thinking about it and what I'm going to do with it." Not that he's going to sell it. That's not the point; it's just a labor of love.

Larson's wife Rachel goes with him to the car shows and seems resigned to his interest. "It keeps me out of the bars," she says. There is a small romantic note to this story. They just can't bring themselves to sell the car Jim had when they were courting. It's a 1935 Chev with only 23,000 miles on it. ■



♥ PUPPY LOVE ♥

by Laura Pritchett

I first met Claire Erickson-Crain when our dogs met (and did the obligatory tail-wagging dance around each other) in Como Park. It was immediately evident that this was a woman entangled in an affair — a love affair with animals. Within a few minutes, she told me of her pets, her love for animals, and her opinions on the way in which animal shelters and the Humane Society are managed.

After growing up in St. Anthony Park, Erickson-Crain has now been a resident of the Como neighborhood for three years. In that time, she and her husband have taken many animals under their wing. Currently, their home includes

two dogs, two cats and a turtle (in an enormous 125-gallon aquarium), all of which are permanent family members. They've all made way for the newest addition to the family, the three-month-old

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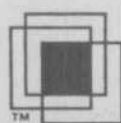
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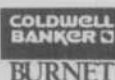
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Jane Anthone was the winner of the holiday drawing sponsored by the St. Anthony Park Business Association. She is pictured here with business owner Suzanne Fante of Emil Gustafson Jewelers. The prize included a velvet stocking filled with gift certificates from area businesses. Another drawing will be held on February 12 for a "Dinner for Two" at the Muffuletta Restaurant.

more information. On February 4, the Friends School of Minnesota will hold an informational session at its new school building at 1365 Englewood Ave. Call 651-917-0636 for more information. Parkview Center School is now accepting kindergarten through eighth grade registration for the 1999-00 school year; if you have questions or would like to schedule a tour, call 651-487-4381.

Kabbalat Shabbat

A weekly Kabbalat Shabbat service will be held by Bayt Nefesh, an independent Jewish house of learning located at 2177 Knapp Street #3 in St. Anthony Park. Beginning February 19, services will meet every Friday evening from 6 to 7 p.m. and will be led by Rabbi Eve Wolf. For more information, call 651-659-9856. All residents are invited to attend.

Town meetings with Anderson and Hausman

State Senator Ellen Anderson and Representative Alice Hausman will hold two town meetings. The first will be held on February 6 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Langford Park Center at 20 Langford Park. The other will take place on February 13 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Como Pavilion, 1360 N. Lexington Parkway. For more information, call 651-296-5537 or 651-296-3824.

Volunteers needed at Como Conservatory

Volunteers are needed in the Como Conservatory gift shop for three daytime hours any day of the week. Volunteers will have plenty of opportunities to learn more about the collection of plants and the history and internal workings of the facility. For more information, call 651-487-8247.

AARP

The Midway-Highland Chapter 930 of the American Association of Retired Persons will meet on March 18 at 1 p.m. at Lyngblomsten Senior Center, 1298 Pascal Avenue. There will be no meeting in February.

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Rec Centers sponsor activities

Registration for volleyball and gym hockey at Langford Rec Center and South St. Anthony Rec Center continues until February 5. All boys and girls from ages 9 to 14 are encouraged to register. All Booster Club meetings for Langford Rec Center are the third Wednesday of the month from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

School open houses

Several local schools are hosting informational sessions or open houses. Holy Childhood School will host its annual kindergarten roundup on February 3 at 6:30 p.m. Call 651-644-2791 for

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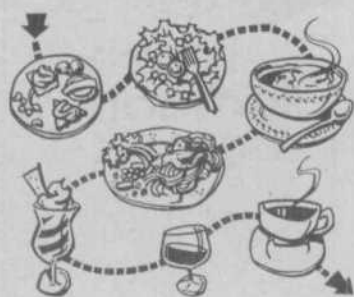
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Valentine's Party for seniors

A story weaver and an accordion and fiddle duo will entertain neighborhood seniors and their guests at a Valentine Party in their honor on February 13 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Olson Campus Center of Luther Seminary, a handicap-accessible site. This party is an annual social event for seniors and is sponsored by the ParkBank Diamond Club, the Community Network for Seniors, a group of neighborhood churches, the Leisure Center, the Linnea and St. Anthony Park homes, the Block Nurse Program and the St. Anthony Park Association. Those who live, work, or attend church in St. Anthony Park and their guests are invited. Reservations for the afternoon of refreshments and fun can be made by calling 651-639-9421 by February 4.



Progressive Dinner

The 13th annual Progressive Dinner will take place on February 20. This event is sponsored by the St. Anthony Park Association. Come join your neighbors for an evening of good food and conversation with friends. To sign up, fill out the coupon on page 7 of this newspaper and send it to Marcie O'Connor, 2168 W. Hoyt, St. Paul, MN 55108 or call 651-645-2043.

Garden Club

"Landscaping to Enjoy Winter's Wonderland" is the topic for the February 2 meeting of the St. Anthony Park Garden Club. Find out about the many trees, shrubs, perennials, grasses and vines that provide winter enjoyment. The meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. in the board room in the Olson Campus Center at Luther Seminary. As always, the meetings are open to everyone.

SAP Lutheran Church hosts concerts

St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church will present three concerts entitled "A Little Light Music." The first will be on February 7 at 4 p.m. and will feature Prevailing Winds, a woodwind quintet and Lisa Habeck, a soprano. Concerts are free and will be held in the sanctuary. Call Katherine Eklund at 651-645-4283 or Lisa Habeck at 651-644-5181 for more information.

PEOPLE

Candace Ward, daughter of Janet Ward of St. Anthony Park, received a 4.0 GPA for the Fall semester at University of Wisconsin-River Falls graduate school.

Myia Yates, who played on the Boy's Langford Hockey Team from 1982 to 1990 and attended school in St. Anthony Park, is now playing college hockey for the Providence College Lady Friars in Providence, Rhode Island. She is team captain of the Providence team. They will be playing the Minnesota Gophers on February 20 at 2:30 p.m. and February 21 at 1 p.m. at Mariucci Arena. The Saturday game will be broadcast on the MSC sports station (channel 47).

State Representative **Mary Jo McGuire** (Falcon Heights) has been appointed as the lead DFL member of the Family and Childhood Education Finance Division of the House Education Committee. Rep. McGuire was also appointed to serve on the Crime Prevention and Judiciary Finance Committees. McGuire now has a new office. She can be reached at 259 State Office Building, 100 Constitution Ave., St. Paul, MN 55155 or at 651-296-4342.

St. Anthony Park residents **Julie Magnuson** and **Ashley Peterson** will both be involved with the Youth Performance Co. production of "Home on the Mornin' Train." For information or tickets, call the Youth Performance Co. at 623-9080. The show runs from January 29 through February 14. ■

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Letters . . . from page 4

of the Raymond Avenue bridge, which the neighborhood is attempting to purchase from Burlington Northern. And thanks again there to Warren and Kikki Gore, who refused reimbursement for the dinner supplies, citing "several anonymous donors."

Events like this are part of

what makes St. Anthony Park so special. Without volunteers like these, such events would be impossible. If you'd like to help too, watch for your membership packet at the end of the month — and join the St. Anthony Park Association!

Mary Ann Bernard

Puppy love . . . from page 9

human daughter, Abigail.

Love of animals is a family affair. Erickson-Crain and her siblings, all of whom live in the area, are parents to approximately 40 animals — everything from fish to rabbits. Several members of Erickson-Crain's family provide foster care for animals, and most of her own pets were abandoned or from shelters. Even though she can't house any more at this time, she's been known to go to great lengths to help animals in need. On one recent afternoon, she

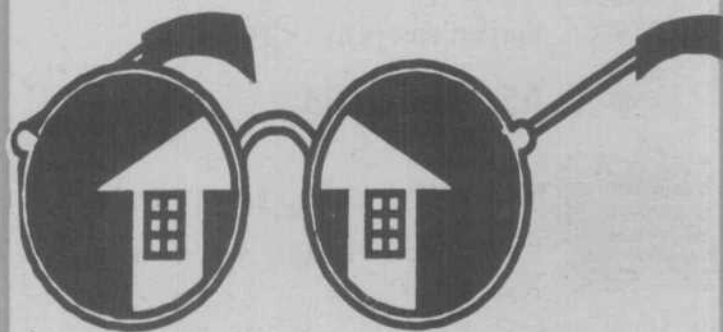
found a dog in bad shape near the corner of University and Lexington. She changed her day's

It was immediately evident that this was a woman entangled in an affair — a love affair with animals.

schedule to take the animal to a vet and to be groomed. The dog was suffering from abuse and a serious lack of care (it had to have

all its teeth pulled, for instance). She then took the animal to the Humane Society. When it went unclaimed, she "bought" it back and kept it until she found the dog, now named Booty, a new and good home.

She's a firm believer that all life is sacred and that all life is equal. "How we treat animals," she said, "is an indication of our culture and society." It's clear that in her case, what she's got to offer animals is a lot of love. ■



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Thanks, Tony, Becky, and Aveda Johnson, Terrie Zarembinski, and Kim Benning.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

1 MONDAY

- AA, St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 8 p.m. 651-770-2646. Every Monday.
- Boy Scouts, St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 7 p.m. Every Monday.
- St. Paul schools, second semester begins.

2 TUESDAY

- Toastmasters, Hewlett Packard, 2025 Larpenteur Avenue., 7:30 a.m. 651-645-6675. Every Tuesday.
- Tot Time (for 5-year olds and younger), Langford Park Rec Center, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Every Tuesday. Call 651-298-5765 for details.
- St. Anthony Park Garden Club meeting, 6:30 p.m. Board Room, Olson Campus Center, Luther Seminary.
- St. Anthony Park Writer's Group, 1261 Cleveland Ave. N, 4-A. 7:30 p.m., 651-646-4343. Newcomers welcome.

3 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. 651-603-8946. Every Wednesday.

4 THURSDAY

- Tot Time (for 5-year olds and younger), South St. Anthony Rec Center, 10 a.m.-noon. Every Thursday. Call 651-298-5765 for details.

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

- Sami Dare, Hypnotist, St. Paul Student Center Theatre, 7 p.m. Free.

5 FRIDAY

- Falcon Heights and Lauderdale recycling.

6 SATURDAY

- Town meeting with State Senator Ellen Anderson and Representative Alice Hausman, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Langford Park Center, 30 Langford Park.

7 SUNDAY

- Free concert at St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church sanctuary, 4 p.m. All ages welcome. Call 651-645-4283 for more information.

8 MONDAY

- Como Park recycling.
- Park Press Inc., — Park Bugle — board meeting, ParkBank community room, 7 a.m.
- Falconeers Senior Card Club, Falcon Heights, City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur, 1-3:30 p.m. Call 651-488-3361.

9 TUESDAY

- Lauderdale City Council, City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street, 7:30 p.m.
- Brain Injury Support Group, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at 1375 St. Paul Avenue. Call 651-455-2115 for more information.

- Are you experiencing pain unnecessarily? Holly House directory Dr. Patricia Lawler will share ways to reduce or eliminate pain, naturally. Free workshop, 6 pm. Call 651-645-6951.

10 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.

11 THURSDAY

- SAPSA meeting, 7 p.m. in the St. Anthony Park Elementary School library. Topic: Science Curriculum.

13 SATURDAY

- Town meeting with State Senator Ellen Anderson and Representative Alice Hausman, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Como Park Pavilion.
- Valentine Party for seniors, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Olson Campus Center, Luther Seminary. Call 651-639-9421 for information or to make reservations.

14 SUNDAY

- ♥♥ Valentine's Day.
- Music for Missions concert, Como Park Lutheran Church, 1376 Hoyt Ave. West, 3 p.m. Proceeds go toward Central American hurricane damage relief.

15 MONDAY

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

16 TUESDAY

- Lauderdale Planning Commission, City Hall, 1891 Walnut, 7 p.m.
- District 10 Como Community Council, 7 p.m. Call 644-3889 for location.
- Falcon Heights Book Club, City Hall, 7 p.m. Call 651-646-7099 for more information.

17 WEDNESDAY

- St. Anthony Park recycling.
- Langford Booster Club, Langford Park, 7:30 to 9 p.m. All residents are invited to attend.

19 FRIDAY

- Falcon Heights and Lauderdale recycling.

20 SATURDAY

- Lauderdale "500" Club, City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street, 1 p.m.
- St. Anthony Park Association 13th Annual Progressive Dinner.
- Workshop at St. Michael's Lutheran Church. "Embracing Life: Achieving Balance in Work and Play." 9 a.m. to noon. Call 612-717-9432 for more information.

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- St. Paul Academy of Jewish Education's course on Connections Through Prayer and Song, 7 to 8:30 p.m., 768 Hamline Ave. S. Call 651-698-8807 for more information.

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24 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.
- St. Anthony Park Community Council Housing and Human Services Committee, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, 5:30 p.m.

27 SATURDAY

- FARE For All distribution and registration at Holy Childhood Church, 1495 Midway Parkway, 9:30 - 11 a.m. Call 651-644-7495; or St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 2323 Como Avenue, 8:30-10:30. Call 651-644-8833.

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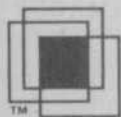
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O B I T U A R I E S**John Allison**

John H. "Jack" Allison died on December 23 at the age of 85. He was a lifelong resident of St. Anthony Park and lived on Chelmsford Street.

Allison was a graduate of the University of Minnesota. He was the founder and owner of Decor Note Stationery Company from 1946 to 1964. He then worked for Northwestern Mutual Insurance Company from 1964 to 1981. He was a member of St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ and active in the community.

Survivors include his wife, Jane Allison; son, John Allison; daughter, Susan Allison-Hatch; two sisters, Leigh Hann and Debby Wakeman; a niece and nephews.

Lydia Buettner

Lydia A. Buettner died on December 20. She was 94 years of age and lived in Falcon Heights.

Buettner was a member of Como Park Lutheran Church.

Preceded in death by her husband, Paul Buettner, she is survived by a daughter, Sheila Skone; a son, Paul Buettner; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

John Raymond Burkholder

John Raymond "Ray" Burkholder, a former resident of St. Anthony Park, died January 3. He was 86 years old.

Survivors include his wife, Irene Burkholder; two daughters, Jerry Lynn Langley-Ripka and Marti Lee; two sons, Robert and David Burkholder; one sister; one brother; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

James Byland

James K. Byland, who lived in Como Park, died on December 15. He was 65.

Byland was a parishioner at

Holy Childhood Catholic Church.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Byland; a daughter, Debra Byland; three sons, Robert, Gregory, and Thomas Byland; eight grandchildren; his father, Melvyn Byland; two brothers, Eugene and Donald Byland; a sister, Marlene Weiss; nephews and nieces.

Robert Calrow

Robert F. Calrow died November 29 in Connecticut. He was 82. Born in Michigan, he grew up in St. Anthony Park and graduated from the University of Minnesota School of Architecture.

From 1941 to 1945 he served as Naval Aviator in the Aleutian and Philippine theaters. After the war he was hired by the Minneapolis Gas Company. In 1965 he moved to New York City to work for the American Gas Association.

After retirement, he turned his avocation, painting, into a vocation and taught watercolor painting in the U.S. and abroad for 25 years. He was a member of the American Watercolor Society and past national president of the Alpha Rho Chi architectural fraternity.

Calrow is survived by his wife, Trudi Calrow; three sons, Robert, Steven and Christopher Calrow; and two grandchildren.

David Parmelee

David F. Parmelee, longtime St. Anthony Park resident and former director of the Bell Museum of Natural History, died on December 18 in Nevada.

Parmelee received his Ph.D. from the University of Oklahoma in 1958. At the University of Minnesota, he served as Director of the Lake Itasca Forestry and Biological Station from 1970 to 1986 and as a faculty member in the Department of Ecology and Behavioral Biology. From 1986 to 1992, he was Curator of Birds at the Bell Museum. In 1992, he became Research Curator of Ornithology at the Barrick Museum of Natural History at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

He was a life member of several ornithological societies and was active in the field up until his final illness. He was the author of many books and research papers. His research took him to many localities around the world. "Parmelee Massif" in Antarctica was named in his honor.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Parmelee, and daughter, Helen Parmelee.

Carl Volz

Carl A. Volz died on December 3 at the age of 65. He taught for 24 years at Luther Seminary and was a historian of the early and medieval church. He supervised work at the Caesarea archeological site in Israel and conducted an annual study program in the Middle East for Luther Seminary.

Volz is survived by his wife Lydia; daughters Katherine Finegan and Carol Mattes; sons Martin, Stephen and Michael; and eight grandchildren.

— Compiled by Ann Bulger



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Love of words . . .**from page 5**

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Arts events . . . from page 7**MUSIC****Conservatory offers Music Under Glass series**

Como Park Conservatory presents its 6th annual "Music Under Glass" winter performance series on consecutive Thursdays from now until February 18. All performances begin at noon and are free with admission.

Music in the Park

The Music in the Park series presents two American jazz legends, JoAnne Brackeen, piano,

and her special guest Eddie Gomez, bass, on February 14 at 4 p.m. at St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ. Call 651-645-5699 for more information.

Family concert series

Music in the Park's Family Concert Series will start on February 5 with Cynthia Lohman and Bradley Greenwald, who will perform arias and duets from Mozart's *Magic Flute* and other operas. The concert will be held at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church at 6:15 and 7:30 p.m. Call 651-644-4234 for more information or tickets. ■

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9:50 am Sunday School
10 am Adult & Youth Forums
Lenten Worship
Ash Wednesday Feb. 17, 10 am and 7 pm
Wednesdays in Lent, Feb. 24 - March 24
10 am & 7 pm Lenten Worship Service
5:15 pm Lenten Soup Suppers served by the CPLC Youth
6 pm Children and Bell Choir
7:45 pm Adult Choir

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Tuesday Bible Study: 10 am
Pastor Drew Flathmann

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Sunday English Worship: 9:30 am, Japanese Worship: 9:30 am
Sunday School: 11 am
Wednesday Int'l. Women's American Culture Class 12:30 pm (Sept. - May)
Wednesdays Jr. Hi and Sr. Hi Group 6:45 pm
Awana 6:45 pm

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Feb. 17, Ash Wednesday, 7 pm Service. 5:30 pm Soup Supper.

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Sunday Mass: 10 am at church (nursery provided) and
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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 7 am Mass at the Parish Center
Feb. 17, Ash Wednesday Masses: 7 am, 12:05 noon, 6:30 pm.
all at the church

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2136 Carter at Chelmsford. 651-645-3058
Sunday Services:
8:00 am Eucharist, Rite I
8:45 am Breakfast
9:15 am Education Hour for all ages
10:30 am Eucharist Rite II
11:45 am Coffee Hour

Healing services in the chapel follow both Sunday services on 1st and 3rd Sundays. Sunday morning adult forum "Genesis"

Mondays:

6:30 pm Tutoring

Wednesdays:

10:00 am Eucharist

Ash Wednesday Services:

7:00 am and 10:00 am In the Chapel

5:30 pm In the Church

6:30 pm Simple Soup Supper

Thursdays:

10:00 am International English Classes

1:00 pm Caregivers Respite Program

6:30 pm Tutoring

Lenten Class Thursday evenings beginning 2/18

6:00 pm Simple Soup Supper

6:45 pm Evening Prayer, Chapel

7:30 pm Class: "Millennium Fever, Y2K, and Revelation"

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Sunday Church School: 9 am
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