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Pets on the Couch: Dr. Anderson counsels furry ones



by Judy Woodward

When Rover lunges in homicidal rage at the mailman is he merely being a canine pain in the neck? Or is he working out some deep-seated issues related to his dysfunctional litter of origin?

How about Fluffy the Cat's revolting habit of marking his territory all over the living room rug? Is this simple instinct at work, or is Fluffy expressing his inability to relate to a major Authority Figure in his life?

Chances are you haven't the faintest idea. You just wish Rover and Fluffy would go back to acting like the cute bundles of fur they once were when you picked them out at the pet shop.

But there is someone who can tell the difference between the ordinary annoyances of life with dogs and cats, and a pet with a Serious Problem. If Rover is on the edge of a major psychological break, if Fluffy is on the verge of feline fugue state . . . why, this could be a case for Dr. Robert K. Anderson, pet psychologist.

But be warned. Dr. Anderson accepts only the toughest cases. Anderson, who prefers to be called a veterinary behaviorist, has spent his professional life diagnosing and treating the mysterious troubles that can arise between humans and our pets. According to Anderson, it's often a matter of miscommunication. And it can be almost as puzzling when it takes place between normal pets and their owners as in the truly grave cases Anderson sees in his practice.

Take Rover, for example, who does a convincing imitation of a Stephen King monster every time the mailman shows up. From the dog's point of view, a simple

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Hampden Square sale may oust students and seniors

Long Avenue townhome community could soon become Section 8 housing for very low income people

by Judy Woodward

Federally subsidized Section 8 housing for very low income tenants may be coming to St. Anthony Park if a proposed sale and conversion of the Hampden Square townhouse complex on Long Avenue takes place.

Although he stresses that he hasn't seen any final documents in the case, Bob Odman of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) says, "There is a movement afoot to deconcentrate very low income and disperse it throughout the metro area. This

project would help." The MHFA has agreed to help administer the new project provided that at least 20 percent of units in the

very low-income tenants.

Current tenants of a Hampden Square townhouse complex are alarmed by the

There are three main reasons for the affordable housing crisis in America: the rise in home construction cost, decrease in wages, and the loss of millions of affordable apartments during the past 20 years.

— The Low Income Housing Information Service, March 1999

Hampden Square complex are reserved for Section 8 housing. Other units may also be rented to

proposed sale of their residence. Brad Werdel, a spokesman for the residents of the townhomes, says

that, under the proposed terms of sale, rents will be raised and many of the current tenants will be forced to leave the building because of proposed changes in the subsidized status of the housing.

The Hampden Square complex is currently operated under the terms of federally subsidized Section 236 housing. The tenants are a mix of mostly students with some seniors, and the housing subsidies available are modest. Werdel, a stay-at-home father of two children, and his manicurist wife pay \$583 monthly

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Welcome to the Como Ordway Memorial Japanese Garden, where the second annual Lantern Lighting Festival is set for Sunday, August 15, from 2 to 9 p.m. Admission to the event is free. Photo courtesy Como Park Conservatory

Land trust movement challenges urban sprawl

by Dave Healy

The Minnesota Land Trust (MLT), a nonprofit conservation organization committed to protecting and enhancing open space throughout the state, recently moved into the Specialty Building on the southeast corner of Raymond and University avenues. According to Communications and Development Director Sherrie Beal, the trust chose this site because of its accessibility and central location between Minneapolis and St. Paul.

MLT's primary conservation tool is called "conservation easement," a legal agreement to restrict land use permanently. Landowners who place their property in a conservation easement voluntarily agree to restrict the land's use while retaining ownership. The easement remains in effect even if the land changes hands.

MLT's conservation approach is unique in Minnesota, says Beal, since it entails a partnership

between private landowners and a private, nonprofit organization. "Landowners donate some of their development rights to MLT but continue to own their property and pay taxes on it. Since conservation easements may reduce a landowner's property and estate taxes, in some cases an easement allows landowners to keep property they would be unable to afford otherwise," Beal says.

Beal sees MLT's new location as a fitting complement to the revitalization that has taken place around the Raymond/University intersection. "While we work to protect undeveloped land, the loss of open space to development is directly related to the decay of urban centers. Urban renewal, like the kind that's going on around us, is just the kind of thing that will encourage our cities to grow without sprawling into the countryside."

MLT formed in 1993 and continues a century-long tradition begun by Pennsylvanians, who

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How to protect yourself and property against crime

Recent crime incidents rare in St. Anthony Park

by Rose Gregoire

Two purse snatchings and a stolen wallet, keys and car signaled the beginning of the summer crime season in St. Anthony Park. The episodes took place in the Carter-Como business district, but Carol Madison, community crime prevention program coordinator for the St. Anthony Park Community Council, warns residents that summer is an opportune time for thieves. Unlocked cars, open car and house windows, untended bicycles, and open garages invite trouble. Residents on vacation, and the influx of people for the State Fair also bring opportunities for theft. One suspect in the purse snatching had covered the license plates of his white car, indicating a planned crime. The suspect who stole the wallet and keys apparently went around the area checking cars until he found the car the keys fit, then stole the car.

The neighborhood has a high theft rate, and the largest category

of crime (59 percent) is theft from an auto. Wallets, shopping purchases, car phones and stereos or other accessories are usually the targets of theft.

"It happens every year when the weather starts to get warm," says Bill Huth of St. Anthony Park, whose car and garage have been broken into six times this year. "We used to not keep cars and garages unlocked, but now the alley has motion sensors and special locks." After a block party, where conversation turned to how often each neighbor had been robbed, a neighborhood crime watch was organized to become more proactive as a group to catch or deter the criminals.

The community council offers services that can help residents make their homes safer. During a premise survey/home security audit, Carol Madison inspects doors, windows, and the exterior of your home and makes recommendations on how to improve security. The house watch program includes a periodic check

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Purse-Snatching incidents reported on Como Avenue

A pair of purse-snatching episodes disturbed the quiet atmosphere of St. Anthony Park's main shopping district in recent weeks.

Two women were robbed in separate incidents.

On July 8, ParkBank employee Pam Pelant was crossing from the parking lot to her office at 7 a.m. in a driving rainstorm when she noticed a car stopped on Como Avenue with its headlights on. A man suddenly approached her and grabbed her shoulder bag.

Pelant held on and was pulled into the deserted street. When the bag's strap broke, the man jumped into the driver's seat of the car and sped away. Pelant described her attacker, a sandy-haired white man of about 20-25 years old, as "somebody you'd see jogging down the street and not think twice about." The robber's car was an older model whose rear license plate had been covered with cardboard.

On the previous morning a customer at Ginkgo's cafe was

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Thanks to the original idea and determination of Seal resident Frank Kramer, Seal Hi-Rise now has an original carving by Buzzsaw Bob. Standing by their "old dead tree" are Connie Felson, manager, and Sueann Olson, president of Seals' Resident Council. Photo by Joe Filzen

Strategic planning begins

The St. Anthony Park Community Council has begun a strategic planning process for the neighborhood that is expected to continue over the next six to 12 months. This planning encompasses a

wide variety of issues, including transportation, housing, traffic, etc.

According to Executive Director Heather Worthington, this is an appropriate time for the community council to undertake long-range planning since the City of St. Paul is also currently overhauling many of its planning documents. "We last did something like this in 1994," she remarks, "but that effort was not as comprehensive as this one will be. We hope this planning will guide the neighborhood for the next 25 years."

The council hopes to host several workshops and discussions during the next year and will attempt to draw input from a wide cross-section of neighborhood residents. Anyone with specific concerns can call the council office at 649-5992.

— D. H.

Privatizing city services

The St. Anthony Park Community Council is closely monitoring discussions about "Compete St. Paul," an initiative from the Mayor's office that would privatize many city services. While Compete St. Paul,

which could replace some services currently performed by union labor, has attracted attention as a jobs issue, the community council also sees it as a city services issue. For that reason, they hope to help sponsor a city-wide forum to discuss the potential impact of Compete St. Paul on the services that directly affect city residents, such as tree trimming, parks and street maintenance, animal control, etc.

— D. H.

College Park Task Force meets

The College Park Task Force will meet from 7 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, August 4, at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church at 2163 Carter Avenue.

St. Paul City Council

Billboards be gone

As more neighborhoods seek special sign districts to limit billboards, a St. Paul Planning Commission committee studying billboard issues has postponed its work until the results of a ballot petition are known.

St. Anthony Park is the city's first planning district to be designated as a special sign district. That designation is meant to restrict the number of billboards that can be installed in the district. Typical special sign districts in St. Paul are limited to a specific street, such as Grand or Smith avenues, or a specific smaller neighborhood, such as Highland Village and historic preservation districts. St. Anthony Park was designated its special sign district status last spring. Now two other

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August 3 is National Night Out

Tuesday, August 3, is the 16th annual National Night Out Against Crime. The St. Anthony Park Community Council encourages area residents to "give crime and drugs a going-away party" by turning on outdoor lights on August 3 and celebrating the event with neighbors.

Recycling dates update

St. Anthony Park residents are reminded that the new recycling schedule starts in August. Pickups this month will be on Wednesday, August 11, and Wednesday, August 25, and will continue on alternate Wednesdays thereafter.

New recycling lawn signs will soon be available from the St. Paul Neighborhood Energy Consortium, the nonprofit organization that coordinates recycling in St. Paul. To order a sign, call the St. Anthony Park Community Council office at 649-5992 and leave your name and address. New signs will be delivered as soon as they become available.

— Dave Healy



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area neighborhoods, Merriam Park and Hamline-Midway, are also seeking special sign districts for their entire planning district areas. Those requests were considered by the St. Paul City Council, on June 23 and July 7, and then sent to the Planning Commission for recommendations by September 1. City Council members said they expect more requests from other planning districts in the weeks to come.

In the St. Anthony Park case, the Planning Commission balked at making a recommendation. Commissioners wanted to wait until new sign restrictions could be adopted. But the St. Anthony Park Community Council asked that the designation be granted under existing regulations.

Now the planning commission has agreed to put its own study on hold until the results of a referendum initiative are known. The group Scenic Minnesota is leading the charge to put a billboard ban question on the November ballot. The group collected more than 6,000 signatures. Those signatures have to be validated before the issue can go on the ballot. County elections staff were still trying to verify the signatures as of deadline for this issue of the Bugle.

This is the second time the planning commission has postponed its work on new billboard regulations. The effort was halted last spring to see what the Minnesota Legislature would do to the ability to amortize or gradually phase out land uses. State lawmakers have since taken away amortization as a tool for cities to remove undesirable land uses.

A lengthy squabble with a billboard company continues in August. An administrative law judge from the Minnesota Office of Administrative Hearings will preside over an adverse action hearing at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 19, at City Hall. The city is considering what sanctions to take against the contractor's license held by Midwest Outdoor Advertising. Administrative hearings are held in such cases, with recommendations presented to the city council for action.

Midwest Outdoor Advertising is being challenged because the company allegedly did not remove two billboards as ordered by the city. One billboard is on Payne Avenue on the city's East Side. The other is a billboard that the St. Anthony Park and Merriam Park's community councils challenged a few years ago.

The latter billboard is at Interstate 94 and Vandalia Street. The sign was built in 1997, but the contractor did not follow the agreed-upon city permit restrictions. The district councils challenged Midwest and opposed a variance the company sought from the St. Paul Planning Commission.

The commission granted Midwest the variance, but on appeal to the St. Paul City Council, the variance was denied. But Midwest has not

appealed the decision. Nor has the sign been removed, or reconstructed in accordance with the permit issued.

The judge will hear testimony from city staff, the billboard company and other interested parties. Following the public hearing the judge will take the matter under advisement. He will then make a recommendation to the city council, which the council can approve, deny or amend.

Sanctions taken against business licenses and permits vary by case, type of business and the severity of an offense. Licenses can be revoked or suspended, fine paid or other actions ordered to correct a previous action.

A recommendation is not expected until this fall.

— Jane McClure

Leasing park land moves ahead

Park land and facilities leasing, a topic which has prompted community debate for many months, is on its way to the St. Paul City Council.

The St. Paul Parks and Recreation Commission approved a park land and facilities leasing policy in June. The policy will be sent to district councils, the St. Paul Riverfront Corporation, other city departments, Mayor Norm Coleman, and the city council.

No date for city council action has been set. When the council does act, it may be on an ordinance rather than a policy. That's because the Friends of the Parks and Trails of St. Paul and Ramsey County believe an ordinance would have more impact that a policy would. An ordinance would become part of the city code; a policy would not.

Friends of the Parks and Trails of St. Paul and Ramsey County Director Peggy Lynch said that her organization is in agreement with how the lease policy has been drafted. However, the Friends are going to push for an ordinance on leasing. The group will start talking to City Council members in the weeks ahead.

"It's too easy to ignore policies. It's a lot harder to ignore city ordinances," said Lynch.

Parks and Recreation Commission members disagreed about the need for leasing to be covered by a city ordinance. Commissioner John O'Halloran said that if the park leasing policy is an ordinance, it would be that much more difficult to change.

O'Halloran said that the city may have to look more closely at leasing facilities in the future, in light of budget cuts. The city may have to be flexible in its leases, in order to get conditions possible. ■

— J. M.



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EDITORIAL

Scenic Minnesota

Each summer thousands travel throughout our state in search of scenic Minnesota. But a recent journey northward left a reader totally cold because the billboards along the freeway resemble a dizzying and toxic blur, which conceals the beautiful landscape from drivers' view. Fortunately, Jane McClure reports on page 2, St. Anthony Park is joining some 1,000 other cities and a few states in the growing revolt against an old problem: curbing visual pollution along America's roads.

The issue pits conflicting American ideals against each other — the right to privacy and the right to make money. Meanwhile, there may be anywhere from 400,000 to a half million billboards on the 125,000 miles of federal highways — even more on state and local roads. The idea of banning billboards isn't new. It began in the 1960s with nature-loving Lady Bird Johnson's beautification program. And over the years the billboard ban movement has drawn support not just from environmentalist and liberals, but also from conservatives such as William F. Buckley.

Billboard advocates are not without compelling arguments, particularly First Amendment rights. They contend that such bans benefit the majority. So, for example, billboard proponents remark that minority businesses, under financed political campaigns, and unpopular ideas will not be given a fair shake. However, is also important to understand that there are several alternative advertising avenues including print, cable television, and internet resources.

All agree that billboard bans are the only way to curtail their proliferation. Recent legislation comes as advertisers plan on boosting their billboard spending by 6 percent this year. In Houston, city leaders passed an ordinance that would bring down all billboards by 2013. In Santa Clarita, California, city leaders have not only banned billboards, they are also considering buying up the remaining ones and tearing them down. Now it's time for us to follow their example. ■

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Letters

Drive with caution

Your story about "Drivers Beware" hit home with me. I get off the bus at Cleveland & Commonwealth every work night and sometimes 40 cars won't yield. I don't want anyone to get a ticket, all I want to do is cross the street and get home.

John Halstead

Seal Hi-Rise party

Seal Hi-Rise residents would like to invite our neighbors to join us on Tuesday, August 3, 6 to 10 p.m., for a barbeque. With help from a generous St. Anthony Park Association grant, we will be celebrating with food, fun, and conversation in the big parking lot beside the building. Complimentary hamburgers, hot dogs, kool-aid, and coffee will be served. Neighbors in the immediate area of Territorial, Seal, and Raymond are especially

welcome. If anyone wants to bring their own choice of meat or vegetables to grill they are encouraged to do so. We hope to see you on August 3.

Sueann Olson, president, Seal Hi-Rise residents council

Going 'round the garden

We enjoyed the article on Judy Wehrwein's garden so much and have always enjoyed walking or driving by her unique St. Anthony Park home. What your article did not mention is that Judy volunteers her time at the Como Park Conservatory as treasure of Friends of Como Conservatory Gardens and has been a mentor to conservatory volunteers for many years.

Janet Dieterich

School aides

In the past two months, St. Anthony Park Elementary has weathered some significant financial storms. The district's initial budgets projected large cuts



The phone is ringing off the hook at Rachel Larson's, who is the Bugle's advertising rep. Larson, who previously sold ads for outside the neighborhood, took over the whole show for retiring ad chief Kathy Magnuson. Photo by Truman Olson

in the number of teachers, resulting in much larger classes in the upper grades. The school also was likely to lose part of its librarian, much of its counselor's time, and most of its instructional support staff.

Two parents have provided both energy and leadership in the local response to these crises. Lydia Midness, co-chair of St. Anthony Park's School Association (SAPSA), and Patty Stolpmann, co-chair of the Site Council, have spent countless hours talking with parents, teachers, administrators, school board members, and legislators.

They have attended meetings here in the neighborhood, at the district's offices, and the State Capitol. They have pored over district budget information and worked closely with school Principal Tom Foster and school accountants to fix the problems. And they have rallied others, both from St. Anthony Park and from other schools and neighborhoods, to participate in discussions about what our schools should be, and what we should do to make them so.

Because of Patty and Lydia's efforts, our school will have more teachers, library services, and counseling support that it would have had otherwise. Their leadership paid off.

It would be naive to think that all is now fine. In our view, the district has to make fairly dramatic changes in its budget planning process, the levels of support available for children's education, and with work with individual schools. But we also think that the children, families, and staff of St. Anthony Park Elementary will enjoy a much better year because of Lydia and Patty's efforts.

Scott McConnell and Ann Johnson

Telemarketing lists

I want to applaud Attorney General Mike Hatch for recently uncovering U.S. Bank's policy of selling customers' personal information to telemarketing firms. This practice of sharing

consumer data to third parties is deceptive and a violation of our constitutional right to privacy. With other banks following U.S. Bank's lead of canceling these "sharing agreements," it is obvious that these banks got caught red-handed and are now trying to be as customer-friendly.

But this selling of consumers' personal information leads me to question how many other companies may have similar practices and do it without our knowledge. Who is selling our social security numbers, bank account balances, and home ownership status, and to whom are they selling it?

I intend to research the issue of protection of consumer information. If you believe that your personal information has been wrongfully shared or sold without your permission, please feel free to contact me at my State Capitol office at 296-5537.

Ellen Anderson, State Senator

Como Park update

We appreciated your update on the Como Park Education Resource Center in last month's Bugle. We have hired the firm of Hamel, Green, and Abrahamson as architects and are in the process of planning the renovation of the Main Zoo Building into staff offices as a beginning step in the Resource Center Project. We will also build an animal holding facility back on the service drive and move the animals, who are not on display and are currently housed in the basement of the old Main Zoo Building, into that facility. Next year we hope to receive the balance of our request from the Legislature. These dollars will build the new facility on the Como Park Campus and will be home to classrooms, visitor services, restrooms, restaurant, and gift shops. The new building will be built on a smaller scale than originally envisioned.

Janet Dieterich, government relations and development coordinator, Como Park Campus

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Q & A

What's the best thing to do in the Twin Cities in the summer time?

Photographs and interviews by Alyssa Whiting



Annie Nelson

"Using the opportunities you have to go to live music concerts and experience outdoor cultural activities like the Taste of Minnesota or concerts outside Orchestra Hall."



Kearstin Richter

"Having a picnic at Como Zoo."



Susan Weber

"Gardening and growing beautiful flowers. St. Anthony Park's garden tour is a great way to see fabulous gardens."



Tom Spreigl

"Sitting by a lake where it's quiet and you can have time to relax and reflect."

O P I N I O N

*Stadium would be costly for St. Paul residents*by *Senator John Marty*

Two years ago, Minnesotans overwhelmingly rejected a public subsidy for the owners of the Minnesota Twins. Don't be surprised that the issue is back. In San Francisco, voters rejected public subsidies for their baseball team four times before the owners finally gave up, dropped their threats to move the team, and built a privately financed stadium.

Because stadium subsidy backers usually refuse to debate, here is some information you may want before the referendum:

It is costly. Mayor Coleman's recent stadium proposal calls for \$110 million from the city, \$110 million from the state, and \$110 million from the team. Dividing the St. Paul portion by the population of St. Paul, there is an additional tax burden of over \$407 for every man, woman and child living in St. Paul. The city would need to raise an additional \$1,630 for the average family of four! Mayor Coleman has proposed an increase in the St. Paul sales tax to pay the city portion. If a fourth of the taxes are paid by people from outside of the city, the additional taxes actually paid by St. Paul residents would average over \$1,200 per family. And this amount represents only the St. Paul portion of the funding package. The \$110 million that Coleman wants from state taxpayers is in addition to the local tax.

While a beautiful new baseball stadium would be nice, it will not create a significant economic benefit. Subsidy backers claim a new stadium will provide a boost to the local those claims. But neutral economists, those who have not been paid to present a rosy analysis, overwhelmingly dismiss such claims. A University of Chicago economist facetiously suggested that Minnesota could provide far more economic stimulus by dropping money from a helicopter over the Twin Cities instead of spending it on a stadium subsidy.

Regardless of the size of the taxpayer subsidy, moving the stadium from Minneapolis to St. Paul

will do nothing to change the fundamental economic disparity between baseball teams. Mayor Coleman and other subsidy backers would serve the community and the Twins better by ending the push for a taxpayer bailout and redirecting their efforts to fixing the bankrupt economy of professional baseball.

During the next several months St. Paul voters are likely to hear many stories about "saving the Twins" so they don't move elsewhere. Remember the headline two years ago, the morning after the stadium subsidy was defeated: "Baseball in Minnesota died last night." Despite all the threats, the team had nowhere to go. Just like San Francisco, Minnesota called baseball's bluff.

Finally, it is not the role of government to subsidize these private, profit-making enterprises. Minnesota taxpayers are asked to subsidize wealthy owners of baseball, football, hockey and basketball teams. Certainly these business enterprises contribute to the community. But what about other enterprises like the small businesses on Como Avenue? They contribute to our community too, yet instead of receiving subsidies, they would be forced to help pay this subsidy.

Stadium backers may decide once again to invest large sums in a slick media campaign to persuade you that this will cost you almost nothing. They will try to make the numbers appear reasonable by saying it will only cost \$54 per family — but that is \$54 every year, for 30 years! Under that scheme, your children and grandchildren will still be paying taxes for this new stadium long after team owners demand a replacement. Many families would object to paying \$54 once, let alone 30 times.

The question is simple. Do you support increasing the city's tax liability by \$1,630 per family to bail out baseball's economy? If not, ignore the hype and vote "no." ■

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Dr. Gerst brushes up on retirement skills



by Michelle Christianson

When I was given the opportunity to interview Dr. Ray Gerst about his retirement I thought, "Aha! At last I will be to say a few words to him after all these years of listening to him with my mouth full of dental equipment." But lack of dental equipment notwithstanding, I still didn't get many words in edgewise. And that's OK.

Gerst has been a friend and source of information for his many patients in St. Anthony Park (and Greater Minneapolis) since 1960. Because he likes to chat while he works (to keep his patients relaxed, he says), those of us who have been seeing him for many years know a great deal about him, his family and his hobbies. That openness and warmth has endeared him to his large practice and he will be greatly missed.

Gerst is a St. Paul native who grew up in Highland Park and graduated from Monroe High School, where he met his wife, Karen. He then attended the University of Minnesota for five quarters before enlisting in the Air Force in 1951.

"The Korean War had started and so many people wanted to enlist that the office was a madhouse on December 26, 1950. I had to wait until January 7, 1951, to enlist." Ten months later Karen joined him in Denver, where they were married.

After finishing his four-year stint in the Air Force, Gerst, Karen and their first two children moved into a Quonset house in University Grove. He went to the U of M on the GI Bill with the intention to be an electrical engineer. But after two years, he decided that engineering "wasn't his thing." An educational counselor steered him to the biological sciences and he briefly considered becoming a physician. But the exigencies of a wife and family (and two years of the

GI funding already used) helped him decide on dentistry, with the thought that he might someday become an oral surgeon.

("That day never came.")

In 1960 Dr. Gerst opened his door to his first patients, the door being part of an office above what is now Mannings in the Park. He practiced there for seven years until he moved into the newly

**Dr. Ray Gerst began
practicing dentistry in
St. Anthony Park in 1960
above Mannings.**

built Healy Building, where he has been ever since. Meanwhile, the family had moved into a home on Hoyt Avenue, where Ray and Karen still live.

Now, if you had sat in his chair for a while, you would know that he has in total four children and five grandchildren. All four children inherited Ray's aptitude for biological sciences: Tom is a physician, Gary a science teacher in Maple Grove, Kate is a nutritionist in Boston and though Paul has a BA in psychology, he is presently certified (and working) in Chinese medicine and acupuncture.

The astute listener also knows that Gerst had a cabin that he had to give up in Cable, Wisconsin, and now has a cabin on the Yellow River near Spooner. He enjoys just sitting and watching the river go by, but also gets a kick out of splitting the wood he uses to heat the cabin. He also owns a house in a small (70 residents) town in North Dakota with three other men. They're the hunters we've heard so much about all these years who mostly pursue migratory birds. Gerst will continue to hunt in his retirement, though he says that "wild turkey hunting could displace all the rest."

The retirement was as much a

After 39 years of practicing dentistry in St. Anthony Park Dr. Ray Gerst is handing over the X-ray machines and fluoride supply to another neighborhood resident, Dr. Frank Steen.

surprise for Gerst as for the rest of us. He had originally planned to retire when he turned 69 in November of 2000. But Frank Steen, a 25 years resident of St. Anthony Park, knew that he had to vacate his old office in the Physicians and Surgeons Building in Minneapolis because it was slated to be torn down and replaced by the new Target. He had plans to move into the Medical Arts Building (also in Minneapolis), but had reservations because it was hard for him and his patients to find parking and he longed to work in the same neighborhood where he lives. He began talking with Gerst in the beginning of April and things moved so quickly that Gerst's last day in the office was June 30.

Steen purchased all of Gerst's equipment and has retained his staff, adding only his own assistant of 11 years, Elizabeth Pitman. He is bringing a share of his practice with him and hopes to keep most of Gerst's patients as well. Steen is already delighted to be treating his son's friends as well as his neighbors and is impressed with how healthy the older population is in St. Anthony Park. His wife, Lisa, and young daughter, Fiona, often walk to meet him after work.

Steen will be doing all phases of general dentistry, including root canals and cosmetic reconstructions. He enjoys doing a variety of things and working with people to make their mouths healthy and beautiful. He says he's quieter than Ray Gerst.

So what else will Dr. Gerst do with his new free time besides hunt and go to the cabin? He will continue with his beloved Bible Study Fellowship men's group, read more, attend his grandkids athletic activities, possibly camp more with his kids (not with Karen; she doesn't like to camp!). They will travel in the United States, especially in the south, where Karen lived part of her life.

He says he'll miss the contact with people, including his staff who he says are "good people who care about the patients and were wonderful to work with." I know I speak for many of us when I say I'll miss him, too. But maybe now when I see him I can talk to him unimpeded by dental appliances, a definite plus. ■

Land Trust . . . from page 1

founded the first land trust. Today, over 1,200 land trusts operate throughout the United States.

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MLT encourages anyone interested in conservation issues to contact Beth Hayden (647-9590) about volunteer opportunities. Internet users can also access information about MLT through www.mnland.org. ■

Planting ideas to attract butterflies

by Mary Maguire Lerman

It all started in May when I noticed things did not look right with my neighbors Mugho pines. Approaching the evergreens, I realized that something was rapidly consuming the leaves and that the needles looked darker than normal. When I got up close and personal, I realized that the dark green needles were actually dark green caterpillar-like larvae that were making the pine needles their breakfast, lunch and dinner. Also, when I moved my hand by the branch, these guys actually stood up and waved and appeared to be chanting "Na nee, Na nee, Na nee." Having not encountered such impertinent insect activity in the past, I searched out information from the U of M's entomology staff and was told this was the pesty European pine sawfly larvae in action. I pointed the sawflies out to my neighbors and their daughter Cameron, who came out to inspect these "communes of caterpillars."

Two weeks later Cameron left a message on our voice mail wanting to know more about caterpillars. The timing could not have been better as the first "batch" of Monarch caterpillars were actively consuming milkweed plants in a nearby butterfly garden. So, we drove down to the South St. Anthony Park Recreation Center on Cromwell

and Territorial so that Cameron could get a look at true caterpillars in action. Last summer, members of the St. Anthony Park Garden Club had planted the former sandbox near the tennis courts to a butterfly garden with plants from their gardens.

On our arrival we noticed that a number of the Swamp Milkweed (*Asclepias incarnata*) plants were nearly stripped of their growth. On closer inspection, the large Monarch caterpillars could be seen finishing off the final remnants of leaves. There must have been close to two dozen caterpillars approaching their final "mass quantity" snacking prior to forming a chrysalis and beginning their final stage of development. Cameron was amazed at the number and size of the caterpillars and enjoyed holding and petting them. We took a caterpillar home and put it on a Swamp Milkweed in my backyard so that she could come visit to watch what would happen. The next morning, the caterpillar had moved some distance and was first feared lost, but later found on another area of the plant. In fact, yet another caterpillar was seen on the same plant. However, by the second day the caterpillars

were nowhere to be seen and had likely gone off in search of appropriate plants where they would molt into their chrysalis.

In the last few days, several young Monarch butterflies have emerged in the yard and are happily visiting the nectar rich milkweeds and hyssops in the garden. Any female Monarchs will soon lay another set of eggs for yet another crop of caterpillars and butterflies for us to enjoy and observe this summer.

How do you know what plants to grow to attract



Caterpillar fan Cameron catches a fuzzy critter in her hand at south St. Anthony Park Rec Center. Photo by Truman Olson

butterflies? Easily. Watch where the butterflies are landing this season to consume the flower nectar. Then, plant clumps of these plants in your garden next spring. Or, to save you time, there is a great publication to make your garden

design process easier. Purchase a copy of *Butterfly Gardening*, AG-BU-6711-S from the University of Minnesota Extension Service by either walking over to Coffey Hall's Distribution Center

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Plants to attract butterflies

PERENNIALS

<i>Agastache foeniculum</i>	Giant Anise Hyssop
<i>Amsonia tabernaemontana</i>	Texas Bluestar
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	Swamp Milkweed
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i> "Ice Ballet"	White Swamp Milkweed
<i>Asclepias tuberosa</i>	Butterfly Milkweed
<i>Asclepias</i> spp.	other Milkweeds
<i>Echinacea purpurea</i>	Purple Coneflower
<i>Eupatorium maculatum</i>	Joe-Pye weed
<i>Eupatorium perfoliatum</i>	Boneset
<i>Liatris aspera</i>	Rough Blazingstar
<i>Liatris cylindrica</i>	Dwarf Blazingstar
<i>Liatris ligulistylis</i>	Meadow Blazingstar
<i>Liatris punctata</i>	Dotted Blazingstar
<i>Liatris pycnostachya</i>	Prairie Blazingstar
<i>Monarda fistulosa</i>	Wild Bergamot
<i>Monarda didyma</i>	Beebalm
<i>Phlox paniculata</i>	Garden Phlox
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i>	Black-eyed Susan
<i>Rudbeckia fulgida</i> "Goldsturm"	Goldsturm Black-eyed Susan
<i>Rudbeckia hirta</i> "Gloriosa"	Gloriosa Daisy
<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i> "Herbstsonne"	Green-headed Coneflower
<i>Sedum</i> "Autumn Joy"	Autumn Joy Sedum

ANNUALS

<i>Asclepias curassavica</i>	Bloodflower
<i>Heliotropium arborescens</i>	Garden Heliotrope
<i>Nicotiana glauca</i>	Flowering Tobacco
<i>Tagetes</i> spp.	African and French Marigolds
<i>Tithonia</i> spp.	Mexican Sunflower
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Dog psychiatry . . . from page 1

successful exchange takes place on a daily basis. An intruder (aka the postman) approaches, the dog defends his territory with loud, satisfying barks and enough aggression to repel the interloper, and then the stranger leaves. Clearly, Rover's never heard of the logical fallacy of post hoc ergo propter hoc. In his mind, it's an open-and-shut case of successful household protection — with himself in the leading role.

Whatever his owner says — whether she yells at Rover to be quiet or gently reassures him that the mailman is a friend — it doesn't really matter from the canine vantage point, explains Anderson. Once again, she's rewarded Rover with attention and reinforced his confident belief that he is the household's only defense against the chaos that lurks just outside the front door.

Or maybe you have a dog that insists on being let out 15 times a night. It's a control issue all right, says Anderson, but that doesn't mean there's anything wrong with your pet's bladder. "Very few people," explains Anderson, "know how long a dog can retain urine. In this case your dog is controlling your behavior, not running any risk of losing control over his."

It's all a case of miscommunication, according to Anderson. Although Anderson insists, "I don't treat humans," the bad news is that it's often the owner who has to change behavior in order to resolve the problem. When he takes on a case, Anderson insists on a rigorous evaluation of the animal in its home setting before he can make a diagnosis of exactly where the problem lies. That usually means observing dog and owner to find out if there's something in Rover's behavior that's subtly affirming the owner's idea of how dogs and people should interact.

Take what Anderson calls, "The myth of the one-man dog," the notion that a dog will obey only one master. Anderson blames it on a distorted family dynamic that gratifies the ego of one member of the household by teaching the dog that he needn't respond to others. Says Anderson firmly, "A family dog should respond equally to every member of the family." In other words, if the dog obeys Dad but ignores everybody else it may be time for a little human soul-searching to determine what it is about the family's internal structure that has given the dog the idea that no other whistle counts but Dad's.

Anderson, a resident of the university's retirement condo at 1666 Coffman in Falcon Heights, is a professor emeritus at the School of Public Health and the former head of the U's Animal Behavior Clinic. He now maintains a busy private practice that ranges from veterinary referrals to consultations for the court system in cases of dangerous animals. An active, white-haired man with thick, thatched eyebrows and an alpha-male stare that has probably quelled more than one subject — human or canine — over the years, Anderson is proud of the advances made in his field in recent decades. "Veterinarians now use all the medications

available to psychiatrists. That includes mood altering drugs and anti-anxiety medication to help control behavior problems. With the advances in neuroscience, we have a real arsenal. CAT scans, PET scans, MRIs and more."

Anderson says that modern veterinary practice has made his ultimate goal closer than ever. "I'd like to see the day when no animal is ever again euthanized for behavior problems," says Anderson. Needless to say, Anderson's own methods have moved beyond older and cruder approaches to behavior modification. "I would be aghast at anyone smacking a puppy with a rolled-up newspaper," he comments severely, "We have better ways now."

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Dog days of August

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Dog days — the hot sultry period from July to September, that the ancients named for the time when Sirius the dog star rises ahead of the sun. In honor of dog days the Bugle recognizes the many dogs and dog owners who make up our community.

Dogs have been one of mankind's most popular pets. Canines have worked for and with us, been our friends, protectors, companions, giving us comic relief and occasional exasperation. Here then, are a few of the community's dogs.



◀ Kids' Dog

ALEX, AGE 11, AND TED NECKAR, AGE 9, WITH ROXY

Roxy is a standard poodle belonging to Alex and Ted Neckar. "Having the dog was the kids' idea and they take care of it for the most part," says their mother. "Roxy is 4-and-a-half-months old and weighs 25 pounds," adds Alex. Four-and-a-half-months old is pretty much a puppy age and Roxy shows it with the wild enthusiasm and curiosity of any young dog. She even likes cats and will go on her first vacation this year.

◀ Retired Couple's Dog

DUFFY AND JERRY MOSS

When asked what he gets from a dog, Jerry Moss is quick to answer, "Unconditional love and companionship. He is part of the family." Moss and his dog, Duffy, a 6-and-a-half-year-old miniature poodle is also a hit with other people who live at 1666 Coffman in Falcon Heights. Moss and Duffy are also partners in dog shows, where Duffy shows his excellent companion dog training.

▲ Dog Pound Dog

CAMERON McALLISTER, AGE 8, WITH
JESSEY, AND DREW THRASHER, AGE 8

Jessey, a 5-and-a-half-year-old mixed breed, was adopted from the dog pound and is characterized by her owners as "A neighborhood dog." Jessey is so personable and likes people so much that she doesn't want to go in the fenced back yard because she can't see people and dogs passing. "We went to England for a year and left Jessey with friends in the neighborhood," remarks Susan McAllister. "When we got back the dog still remembered us." After spending so much time in the neighborhood and getting to know so many people, Jessey's good manners and personality have indeed made her a neighborhood dog.



◀ Family Dog

RAGS AND TERRY GOCKMAN

Rags is a 3-and-a-half-year-old soft-coated Wheaten Terrier, belonging to Jeanne Schacht, Terry Gockman, and their son, Otto.

"This is a very good companion for the family" said Gockman. "Rags provides good security." Like all dogs Rags has some idiosyncrasies. "This dog seems to prefer winter to summer and doesn't like to leave the air conditioning. Rags also hates thunderstorms and has even gotten to the point of getting nervous when the air pressure drops," says Gockman.

So, Rags is a nice dog, but if you go visit don't go while there is a thunderstorm. Rags will be hiding under the bed.

THE LAST BARK: *Dog-gone if I didn't keep at this so doggedly that I ended up in the dog house, but I was able to finish this on the dog watch when I was dog-tired, but that is what is expected in a dog-eat-dog world. Hope this was not to dogmatic. I'm glad you didn't want it in doggerel.* — T.O.

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My Kinda Town

by Natalie Zett

stating I moved away as soon as I could, it didn't matter. The reaction of others was always the same, especially in Minnesota.

"Ha! Ha! Cleveland. The mistake-by-the-lake, right? Isn't that where the river caught on fire? Didn't the mayor's hair catch on fire too? Isn't that the city that went into bankruptcy?"

Yeah. Yeah. Yeah.

Such comments never inspired me to share much of my early years in that city.

In the early 60s, our neighborhood was mostly comprised of recent immigrants from Central and Eastern Europe. Few could afford a TV. We had one though and played host to a gaggle of neighbors each Sunday afternoon. I dreaded when they began piling in the house. The ensuing cacophony resulting from people simultaneously speaking in Polish, Czech, Slovak, and Russian was akin to being trapped in a hornets' nest. My relatives (from Poland) also contributed to the din. Slavic tones aren't exactly lilting and lyrical, and the crowd got louder as time passed. Also, Slavic food was grease-laden and heavy. Of course, they all brought lots of food.

It was insane to long for hamburgers and hot dogs when I knew I would soon be drowning in enough cabbage rolls, kielbasa (sausage), pickled eggs, pierogis (dough wrapped around a filling, usually potato or cheese), and czarnina (duck blood soup) to sink Gdansk. The men contributed bottles of Carling Black Label and POC beer. I furtively tossed portions to our dog and two cats who loved the stuff, but later developed severe gas problems as did many of the human dinner guests.

At noon, everyone hovered around the TV to watch the *Polka Varieties* Show where local polka-teer, Frank Yankovic and his Yanks, would thrill family and neighbors alike with hits such as "Who Stole the Kishka," and the "Too Fat Polka." I rolled my eyes, wishing I could play my Beatles records instead of watching middle-aged fat guys in bowling shirts playing accordions.

Although they got along, a rivalry existed between the neighbors that centered around status

symbols such as houses, lawns, and lawn ornaments. Lawn ornaments particularly sparked much competition amongst the Slavs. Special favorites were religious icons such as the Virgin Mary in various poses. There were also little chrome balls, ornate birdbaths, and pink flamingos. This unintentional high kitsch was symbolic of success in America. Albeit dull, it was a safe place to live, the only real crime being when one of the concrete pink flamingos was ripped off its wire legs (the body was found in our front yard) and when Hells Angels decided to crash the Polish Women's Alliance Hall during a craft festival and mow down a few booths.

I had to get out of here or I will lose my mind, I wrote in a diary.

As a teenager, I shared my escape plan with my high school boyfriend, Arne Czeplewski. I told him that I wanted to go to school in London and travel all over the world. "I don't need no education," Arne said, "I'm gonna make more money workin' in da factories than you will with your education." In an attempt to introduce him to art, I took him to one of the few pockets of culture, Shaker Square, where an Impressionist exhibit was being held. Arne was impressed all right. In a loud voice he proclaimed, "Who's that Van Goof guy?? I kinda like his stuff." Everyone stared.

My longing for refinement, for white collar employment, for liberal sensibilities, and for people who knew how to pronounce Van Gogh were some of the reasons I moved to the Twin Cities. Did I lord it over my friends and family back home? You betcha.

However, time is a great leveler.

Right now, a new stadium, a revitalized river front (where the water no longer burns), and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame have transformed Cleveland from its former status as Armpit of the Nation into a respectable place to live.

I'm going back to Cleveland next week and probably need to be prepared for a karmic comeuppance. "You're from Minnesota. Don't you have the governor who's a former pro-wrestler, who packs a gun, and wrote that book about visiting brothels and stuff?"

Yeah. Yeah. Yeah. But don't forget—our governor can beat up your governor. ■

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Business News

Falcon Heights Business Crazy Daze Sale is set for August 1 through August 7. Check out the bargains available in the Hamline, Larpenaur, and Snelling avenues business areas.

Dale and Carole Beane's **Falcon Heights Insty-Print** won the company's "Franchisee of the Year" award because of its business achievements and community contributions. Additionally, they received a Million Dollar Club award for sales achievement for the third consecutive year. Jeff Kern, a graphic designer at Insty-Prints of Falcon Heights, won "Best of Category" for graphic design, while employee Kelly Ledin garnered an "Award of Excellence" for her digital application work.

Politics

A Parliamentary Procedures Workshop takes place on Saturday, September 18, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Merriam Park Branch Library, 1831 Marshall Avenue. This community service project is being sponsored by the St. Paul League of Women Voters and costs \$15 for the introductory morning session and \$25 for the day workshop, which includes a practice workshop. Call 222-1215 for reservations.

Filing for Lauderdale's November 2 City Election opens on August 24 and continues to September 7. The ballot will include races for mayor and two city council seats. The filing fee is \$5. Stop by Lauderdale's City Hall to register.

Library

Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 2, 1 p.m., when the **St. Anthony Park Branch Library** celebrates the additions of its new children's room and handicapped accessibility. The library reopens in September.

People

Nancy Elizabeth Hausman received a Masters of Arts in Education from the Hamline University Graduate School of Education . . . **Ann Foster** recently returned home to her Como Park home after serving a 18 month volunteer mission in Kaohsiung, Taiwan, for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints . . . **Teresa Langenbrunner** won an Ellerbe Becket Scholarship for Dunwoody Institute's electrical construction and maintenance program . . .



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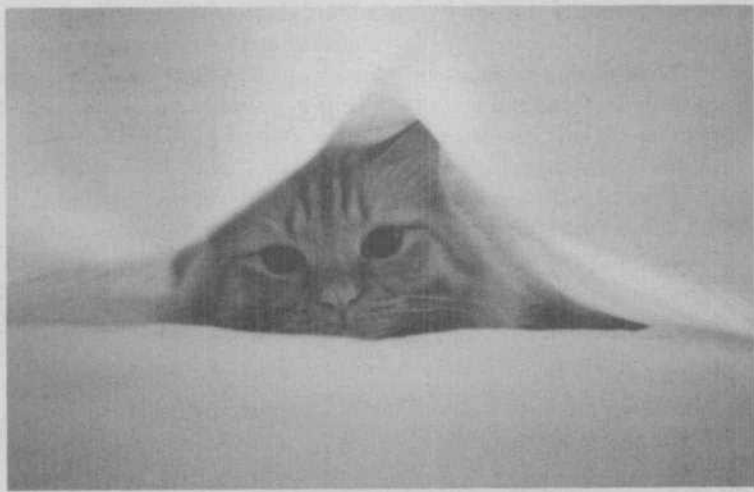
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During the dog days of August, don't forget about our other animal companion — the fabulous and finicky cat. And watch out doggies, these four-legged charms are fast becoming America's most popular pet. Photo by Amy Grove

SUMMER

Five portages out there in the Boundary Waters the water in the lake is potable canoers dip it out and are refreshed. Walleyes are biting the loons and we are playing hide and go seek with joy.

The many lakes, we have 10,000 of them in this state of Minnesota, give us much pleasure while corn and soybeans ripen.

The barbeques are busy and backyards chefs are glad that they can strut their stuff, the seasons rituals must be observed.

A word record was established here in spitting watermelon seed back in July of Nineteen fifty-four. That was a torrid night.

The crowded playgrounds give us re-creation, frisbies fly and so do kites, our knees are naked and shorts ubiquitous.

The sun makes tans but often is too strong.

But while we melt we do consider the alternative since even in July and August we can't forget that winter was just here and soon will come again. Just yesterday I saw a sign that said, Think Snow!

— GERHARD NEUBECK

Lauderdale resident **Bo Kim** won the 1999 Theodore Bergman Muscial Scholarship at McPhail Center for Arts. Pianist Kim enters her senior year at Roseville High School this autumn, where she participates in symphonic orchestra, chamber orchestra, and jazz band. She also performs piano recitals for residents at Lyngblomsten Care Center . . . **Scott Roste**, son of Jim and Lorene Roste of Como Park, graduated magne cum laude from the University of Tulsa with an economics major. Roste heads for the University of Minnesota Law School this fall . . . **Jeremy Badger** won his second Kopp Presidential Scholarship from Dunwoody Institute, where he is studying in the automobile service technology program.

Charities

Merriam Park Community Services' **Food Shelf Program** and the **Northwest-Midway Family Center** is now located at 1912 and 1916 University Avenue. Contact the food shelf at 917-3939 and the family center at 917-3888.

Rec Center

Registration for **Fall Soccer** continues until Friday, August 6, at the South St. Anthony Rec Center (890 Cromwell; 298-5770) and Langford Park Rec Center (30 Langford Park; 298-5765) 'til August 18, from noon to 8 p.m.

South St. Anthony Rec and Langford Rec centers is taking three **summer outings** to Cascade Bay on Friday, August 6, Rollersteking at Saints North on Friday, August 13, and Bunker Hills Wave Pool on Friday, August 20.

Gardening

A **low cost brush drop off** site is open at Harding Ice Arena's back parking lot located at East Sixth Street and Barclay on Wednesday, August 18, from noon to 8 p.m. A car load costs approximately \$5, while a truck runs around \$15. Call 222-SORT for information.

Health

Holly House clinical director Dr. Patricia Lawler leads a workshop in **influencing your blood sugar naturally** on Tuesday, August 10, 6 p.m. Register by calling 645-6951. ■

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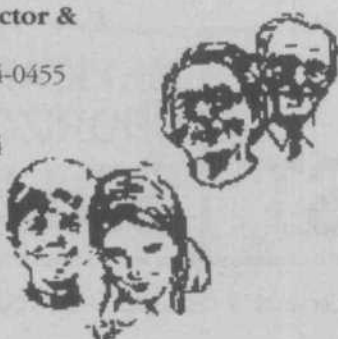
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Crime watch . . . from page 1

on your home by police if you are gone for an extended period of time. Both services are free. The police stress that residents should not hesitate to call 911 to report suspicious activity; you are not "bothering" them, and they would prefer the police to investigate rather than residents. Other tips suggested to improve home security:

- * Be sure to lock the front door while you are in the back yard (and vice versa), and when you leave the house for even a few minutes.

- * Check basement windows to make sure they are securely locked or screwed in place.

- * Ground floor windows should be closed and locked during the night.

- * Keep the exterior of your house well lit.

- * Shrubbery and bushes

should be kept well trimmed. If you have a fence, make sure neighbors can still see through it or over it.

* When you leave for vacation, stop the delivery of mail and newspapers, arrange to have your lawn mowed, and inform the neighbors. Ask a neighbor to park in your driveway or in front of your home.

Madison suggests that the best

crime prevention strategy is to get to know your neighbors, and let them know when something happens. If one house or car is robbed, chances of the criminal returning and robbing a neighbor are very high. A good way to do that is to attend National Night Out on August 3. To find out where your neighborhood will be meeting, talk with your neighbors, or call the community council at 649-5992. ■

Purse snatching . . . from page 1

accosted as she sat at an outdoor table, drinking her coffee and reading the newspaper. An assailant snatched her unattended purse and ran down the alley behind the Speedy Market. Several bystanders gave chase, but the suspect eluded them. The thief was identified only as a black male.

St. Paul Police spokesman Michael Jordan said that police have identified no pattern of similar incidents in this area.

St. Anthony Park remains one of the safest neighborhoods in the city, according to St. Paul crime statistics. ■

—Judy Woodward

Housing . . . from page 1

for a two-bedroom unit.

Those numbers will change radically, according to Werdel, if the proposed sale and conversion of the property takes place. Werdel claims that the new owners propose both to raise the rents and to exclude working families like his from the building because, ironically, their income is too high to qualify for Section 8 subsidies. Werdel says that he has surveyed the current tenants of the 86 units of the complex and discovered that 51 of them would no longer meet the eligibility guidelines under the proposed new ownership.

Says Werdel, "I know of no other Section 8 housing in the area. People have negative stereotypes of Section 8 housing, they think that Section 8 people don't have jobs. But it's all subjective and I don't know if the building would get worse with new tenants. The point is that I don't believe other area residents know anything about what's being proposed. It's being pushed down their throats, and that's bothersome to us."

Lori Boisclair of the Boisclair Corporation, which proposes to buy the property, flatly denies Werdel's claims. "That's not correct. The proposed conversion would not affect more than a handful of tenants." She claims

that the proposed sale and conversion of the property has the support of both the St. Paul City Council and the St. Anthony Park Community Council. She also admits, "The [Section 8] program is not designed especially for students, but neither was the previous program [under which the current tenants are benefiting]. Student status is an issue here," she adds, "but there are exemptions in certain cases. Will the building retain its current demographics? We don't know yet."

Heather Worthington of the St. Anthony Park Community Council says that the Boisclair proposal won her organization's support in the form it was presented in January, 1998. Other groups opposed it at that time, and Worthington thought the matter had been dropped. "The council would have to re-examine the current proposal before we commented," she says. "What we approved in 1998 may not be what is presently on the table."

Tom Sanchez of the St. Paul Department of Planning and Economic Development has been involved in the structuring of the proposed sale. He notes that the city's top priority is that the property remain subsidized housing of some sort. "The problem with the Hampden Square project is that if it were sold on the private market, it's in a location that someone would convert to market-rate housing," he says. Sanchez estimates that, under the proposed deal, tenants in about ten units might be forced to relocate. He adds, "We're not trying to pull the wool over anybody's eyes. We want to make Hampden Square long-term affordable."

Peter Bast of the Minneapolis office of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) remarks that the proposed conversion of the Hampden Square property is "one of the most complex transactions that I've ever encountered. It's been under negotiation for almost three years." A similar restructuring, Bast says, has never been tried in Minnesota before and there are only two such deals that have been

done nationally.

Says Bast, "There is a serious shortage of affordable housing for low-income people in the Twin Cities. The vacancy rate is less than 1 percent now for housing that will accept Section 8 vouchers."

If it seems paradoxical that, under Section 8, rents might rise at the same time that tenant income levels fall, Bast explains that, in this program, a tenant is never asked to pay more than 30 percent of his or her income for rent. The government guarantees the landlord the remainder of the rent. Bast added, "Section 8 housing has the reputation of bringing people who cause problems, but this is not necessarily true. It is always very controversial when a building starts to accept Section 8 tenants; the NIMBY [Not in My Backyard] syndrome starts to raise its head. But the concern is not always warranted. It depends on the quality of the management of the building. Sometimes you can't tell a Section 8 building from a building in Edina."

Worthington remarks that, "St. Anthony Park already has other subsidized, low-income housing," although she didn't know of any Section 8 housing in the area. She cautioned, "You need to be careful with negative perceptions of low-income housing," and added, "The council isn't getting any more complaints on low-income property than on any other kind of housing in the area."

When asked whether current tenants would likely be forced to leave Hampden Square under the proposed change of ownership, Odman was noncommittal. He explained that sometimes when housing changes hands in this fashion, part of the settlement gives some current tenants the necessary vouchers to remain under Section 8 status. He adds, "I'm not sure that Hampden Square will be eligible for such assistance."

The sale of the Hampden Square property is currently slated to close in early fall. ■



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**1 Sunday**

■ Falcon Heights Business Crazy Daze Sale, along Hamline, Larpeteur, and Snelling avenues, through August 7.

■ The great, great-granddaughter of Jane Gibbs appears as Jane in period dress and talks about her ancestor's life, noon to 4 p.m., Gibbs Farm Museum, 2097 Larpeteur Avenue, Falcon Heights.

2 Monday

■ AA, St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, 8 p.m. 644-0809. Every Monday.

3 Tuesday

■ Toastmasters, Hewlett Packard, 2025 Larpeteur Avenue, 7:30 a.m. 645-6675. Every Tuesday.

■ Tot Time (for five-year olds and younger), Langford Park Rec Center, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Every Tuesday. Call 298-5765 for details.

■ St. Anthony Park Community Band rehearsal, Como Senior High band room, 7:15 p.m. Call 642-1559.

4 Wednesday

■ Leisure Center for Seniors, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch reservations by Monday. 603-8946. Every Wednesday.

■ Toastmasters, U.S. Forest Service, 1992 Folwell Avenue, St. Paul Campus, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 649-5162. Every Thursday.

6 Friday

■ Falcon Heights and Lauderdale recycling.

■ St. Anthony Park Community Council Physical Planning Committee, Olson Student Center, Luther Seminary, 11:30 a.m.

8 Sunday

■ Textile Traditions with spinning, weaving, and natural dying with visitor participation too, noon to 4 p.m., Gibbs Farm Museum, 2097 Larpeteur Avenue, Falcon Heights.

9 Monday

■ Como Park recycling.

■ Falconeers Senior Card Club, Falcon Heights, City Hall, 2077 W. Larpeteur, 1-3:30 p.m. Call 488-3361.

10 Tuesday

■ Holly House Clinical Director, Dr. Patricia Lawler, talks about influencing your blood sugar, naturally, Holly House, 2265 Como Avenue, Suite 202. Call 645-6951.

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

11 Wednesday

■ St. Anthony Park recycling.

■ Full Council Meeting, St. Anthony Park Community Council, South St. Anthony Rec Center, 890 Cromwell, 7 p.m.

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

15 Sunday

■ Second Annual Lantern Lighting Festival (2 to 9 p.m.) and Japanese Tea House tour (2 to 5 p.m.), Como Ordway Memorial Japanese Garden, call 487-8200.

■ Black Bull, Native American drum group and dancers perform, noon to 4 p.m., Gibbs Farm Museum, 2097 Larpeteur Avenue, Falcon Heights.

17 Tuesday

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

■ Lauderdale Planning Commission, City Hall, 1891 Walnut, 7 p.m.

■ Falcon Heights La Leche League discusses "Needs as Baby Grows," 7 p.m. Call Rebecca at 488-9414 and Millie at 917-7378 for meeting location.

18 Wednesday

■ Langford Booster Club, Langford Park, 7:30 to 9 p.m. All residents are invited to attend.

20 Friday

■ Falcon Heights and Lauderdale recycling.

22 Sunday

■ Readings from Jane Gibbs' diary, noon to 4 p.m., Gibbs Farm Museum, 2097 Larpeteur Avenue, Falcon Heights.

23 Monday

■ Como Park recycling.

■ Falconeers Senior Card Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 2077 W. Larpeteur, 1-3:30 p.m. Call 488-3361.

24 Tuesday

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

■ Filing opens for November election of two council member and mayor, City Hall, 1891 Walnut Street, 7:30 p.m.

25 Wednesday

■ St. Anthony Park recycling

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

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

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

26 Thursday

■ Full Moon

28 Saturday

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

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



St. Anthony Park Foundation tops \$100,000 in gifts and pledges

The St. Anthony Park Community Foundation's bank account will soon exceeds \$100,000, thanks to gifts and pledges from neighbors, area businesses, and foundations.

"This is an important milestone for us," comments long-time St. Anthony Park resident Andy Boss. "This show of support for the foundation from a cross section of the community is very encouraging and further evidence that a community foundation is right for St. Anthony Park."

The foundation seeks to build an endowment for long-term funding support for charitable and community activities that benefit the neighborhood. Early boosts to the organization's coffers include a \$25,000 pledge from the Elmer and Eleanor Andersen Foundation, a \$1,000 cash gift and three-year pledge from ParkBank, and \$15,000 pledges from the Boss Foundation and the Harlan Boss Foundation for the Arts.

"The support we have seen for the foundation is tremendous," remarks Ginger Bethe, executive director of the St. Anthony Park Community Foundation. "People recognize the value of a community foundation to serve current and future needs of a community that they hold very dear. What is especially about a community foundation is its long-term vision. Community groups and organizations may come and go, and community needs change over time. A community foundation and its endowment, on the other hand, is forever."

Call Bethe at 641-1455 for addition information.

Board members include Andy Boss, Grant Abbott, Lis Christenson, Kent Eklund, Roxy Freese, Joan Ershbell, Anders Himmelstrup, Jerry Jenkins, Gerald McKay, Phil Shively, Ellen Watters, Steve Wellington, and Ann Wynia. ■

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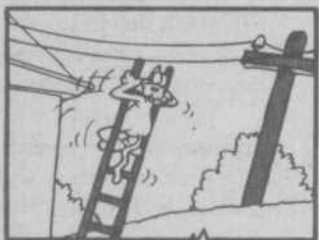
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Kenneth Austad

Kenneth W. Austad died on June 14 at the age of 75. Mr. Austad lived in St. Anthony Park for almost 50 years.

Born in Hawley, Minnesota, he graduated from the University of Minnesota with a B.S. in 1949 and a M.B.A. in 1956. He was a retired employee of Unisys. He served in the Pacific during World War II and was a member of the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, and Tusler Summit Lodge #263.

Mr. Austad is survived by his wife, Susan J.; daughter, Susan; and son, Jeffrey, all of St. Paul.

her husband, Lawrence. Survivors include a daughter, Lois Bohnen; grandsons, Bruce, Roy, Wayne, and Todd Bohnen; eight great-grandchildren, Tracy, Scott, Crystal, Brett, Stacy, Kelly, Jeffrey, and Lucas Bohnen; and great-great-granddaughter, Tianna Bohnen.

Clarence Reynolds

Clarence R. Reynolds died at age 83 on June 23. He was a resident of Lyngblomsten Care Center.

John Schwartz

Como Park neighbor John G. Schwartz, age 81, died on July 10.

Mr. Schwartz was a parishioner at Holy Childhood Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Al, Joseph, Sylvester, and Jerome. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Marie; daughter, Carol Ann Becvar; brothers, Frank and Edward; sister, Katherine Hanson; and sister-in-law, Mary Ann Schwartz.

Eleanor Shively

Eleanor L. Shively died on July 3. She was 91 years old and a resident at Lyngblomsten Care Center.

Preceded in death by her husband, Melvin, she is survived by a son, Ken; and grandsons, Adam and Matthew.

Lloyd Siewert

Lauderdale resident Lloyd W. Siewert, age 84, died on July 4.

Mr. Siewert was a member of Peace Lutheran Church of Lauderdale.

Preceded in death by a brother, Roy; and sister, Pearl Maloney, he is survived by his wife, Marjorie; daughters, Bonnie Jean Hanson and Linda Lloyd Hass; grandchildren, Kimberly Nagorski, Roger Hanson, and Tammara Hass; brothers, Reed and Ralph; and sister, Lorraine Krocomo.

Alice Steen

Alice E. Steen died suddenly on June 29. She was a resident at Lyngblomsten Care Center.

Mrs. Steen was preceded in death by her husband, Marvin. She is survived by a daughter, Carole Dockham; sons, David and Roger; 18 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and sister, Effie Kanute.

Eleanor Swanberg

Lyngblomsten Care Center resident Eleanor M. Swanberg died at age 89 on July 7.

Mrs. Swanberg was preceded in death by her husband, Carl, and her daughter, Arlene. Survivors include her son, Dick; grandsons, Douglas, Scott, and Paul; eight great-grandchildren, Greg, Rebecca, Laura, Michael, Caitlin, Eric, Jack, and Nick.

Dorothy Ubel

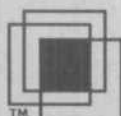
Dorothy Ubel, a resident of St. Anthony Park on Como Avenue for over 60 years and a charter member of Corpus Christi Catholic Church, died on June 22 at age 90.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Florian, and infant son, Stephen, and a daughter, Mary Adams. Survivors include daughters, Marjorie Simpson and Christine Dopkins; sons, James, Terence, and William; son-in-law, Michael Adams; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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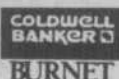
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Butterfly garden

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If you want to keep the butterfly population active in your garden, you must supply food plants for both the juvenile caterpillars and the adult butterflies. The bulletin details those specific plants.

Many cultivated plants often have little or no nectar value for butterflies — this having been lost the breeding process. So many of the plants butterflies are attracted to are native plants as they are typically nectar-rich. In the past it has often been difficult to locate growers of native plants. However, locally we are blessed with Landscape Alternatives, a nursery that specializes in growing these butterfly attractors. So, when

planning your garden, be sure to include the natives!

In addition to the South St. Anthony Park Recreation Center garden, you can observe butterflies in action at the Prairie/Butterfly/Peace Garden at the St. Anthony Park Elementary

School grounds on Knapp. Our neighborhood has two public gardens, where children of all ages can observe butterflies. Why don't you add to the excitement and help attract these special creatures by creating a private butterfly garden in your landscape? ■

Letters . . . from page 4**Thank you, Speedy Market**

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