

Como's first settler

The man who once lived outside the limits of civilization' left the lake because of 'too many neighbors.'

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Faculty, staff cuts part of Luther reorganization

By Roger Bergerson

The \$4 million budget deficit that came to light last year at Luther Seminary has compelled the institution to make some difficult choices, including cuts to staff and faculty, according to its interim president.

"It wasn't a case of not having good people," said the Rev. Rick Foss. "Regrettably, we had too many good people."

Foss, Luther's former director of contextual learning, was named interim president following the resignation of Richard Bliese last December. A presidential search committee will start work late this summer and hopes to fill the job by mid-2014.

At the heart of the financial difficulties. said Foss, was overoptimism at a time when theological education was headed for a decline.

"We added staff and faculty based on growth projections that didn't materialize and things got way out of balance," he said.

As a result, 30 staff positions will have been eliminated by July 1 and there will be eight fewer faculty members. Five of the faculty are retiring and three are pursuing other graduating 133, about the same funding sources, Foss said. opportunities. In addition, four faculty will retire by the end of the next fiscal year and another two to four teaching positions will be eliminated. This will bring the faculty count to about 28, which Foss said achieves the proper student-faculty

The seminary has 560 full-timeequivalent students currently and is look at all assets" to identify potential

number as usual.

"Enrollment seems to be holding up pretty well," Foss said. "We had expected a drop in the face of bad news, but it's shaping up slightly better than we expected."

Donors have stepped up to help the seminary during a difficult time and the institution is "taking a close

"We own 18 rental properties, although we won't sell anything we might conceivably need in the future and there won't be any fire sales," he said. "On the other hand, I can't say that anything is totally off the table. But it matters a lot to us that we be perceived as a good neighbor to this

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Tossed pedometer ignites bomb scare on Larpenteur Avenue

object caused the strip mall on the Avenue in Falcon Heights to be evacuated and the area cordoned off for two hours.

On the afternoon of April 17, a person walking by a garbage container at the strip mall immediately east of Snelling Avenue heard beeping, looked inside and saw wires extending from a backpack.

Marathon bombings, a suspicious Falcon Heights, responded to the call, verified the finding, and the St. 1500 block of West Larpenteur Paul Police Department Bomb Squad was summoned.

In the meantime, a woman who became aware of the commotion notified St. Anthony police that she had discarded a defective pedometer in the bin after leaving a fitness center at the mall. It had just happened to fall into an old backpack.

It took a while, but the bomb An officer from the St. Anthony squad verified that the item was

Scarcely two days after the Boston Police Department, which serves harmless and there was no danger to anyone in the area.

> "Basically, the system worked as it is supposed to," said St. Anthony Police Chief John Ohl, citing the motto of the national public safety awareness campaign, "If you see something, say something.

> "However, in this day and age, I would also urge people to think about what they're doing," he added.—Roger Bergerson

Finally!

Spring flowers have a way of helping us remove a sixmonth-long winter, record snowfalls and that neverending shoveling from our collective memory. Eighteen inches of snow in Minnesota on May 2? We forget.

This bleeding heart is from the backyard gardens of Suzanne Brust and John Shepard, who will be part of the St. Anthony Park Garden Tour on June 29. You can find out more about that tour and the Como Park garden tour set for July 20 on page 10.

Photo by John Shepard



Como Park

The District 10 Como Community Council meets at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month at the Como Streetcar Station, 1224 N. Lexington Park-

Future of Como Park Golf Course

On April 29, the District 10 Council's Land Use Committee discussed the future of the Como Park Golf Course in light of an application by the Parks and Recreation Department for city Capital Improvement Budget (CIB) funding to study the course's future. A half-dozen neighbors expressed their support for maintaining the space as a golf course and encouraged Parks and Rec to look at innovative new ways to boost traffic on the

The Land Use Committee will be monitoring the issue as it ripens and working with the District 10 representatives on the Como Regional Park Advisory Committee (CRPAC) to make neighborhood voices are heard.

The next CRPAC meeting will be on Tuesday, June 11, at 6:30 p.m. at the Historic Streetcar Station, 1224 N. Lexington Parkway. The next regular meeting of the District 10 Land Use Committee will be on June 3 at 7 p.m. at Java Train, 1341 N. Pascal St.

Vacancies on District 10 board

There are three vacancies on the District 10 Como Community Council Board of Directors. Serving on the board is a rewarding way to serve the community, meet other neighbors and take a leadership role in shaping the future direction of the neighborhood.

The current openings include a representative from Sub-District 1 (bounded approximately by Snelling and Hamline/Hoyt and Energy Park), Sub-District 3 (Victoria and Dale/Lexington and Maryland), and an at-large position (anywhere within the district boundaries). A time commitment of five to 10 hours per month is required. Interested individuals can learn more at district10@district10comopark.org or 651-644-3889.

Como Park Tree Trek

University of Minnesota Professor Emeritus Chet Mirocha will lead a walking tour highlighting some of Como Park's tree species at 10 a.m. on Saturday, June 22. This free event, open to all ages, will begin in front of the Como Carousel and end at the Como Lakeside Pavilion. For more information, call District 10 at 651-644-3889 or www.district10comopark.org.

Committee begins work to bring **South Como into District 10**

At its April board meeting, the District 10 Como Community Council approved the creation of an ad hoc committee to oversee the work necessary to change the district's boundaries to include the South Como neighborhood. Initial committee work will involve revisions to the district's bylaws, then the focus will shift to broader efforts to engage and integrate the new area. Watch the District 10 website (www.district10comopark.org) for updates and opportunities to become involved in this work.

Como Fest preview

The fourth annual Como Fest will take place from Thursday, July 18, to Saturday, July 20, in the Como Park neighborhood. Highlights will include the Lyngblomsten Summer Fest (July 18), a family fun night with an outdoor movie and overnight campout at Northwest Como Rec Center (July 19), a garden tour and an art fair at Java Train/Church of the Holy Childhood (July 20). More information can be found on the District 10 website, www.district10comopark.org, or by liking "Como Fest" on Facebook.

Business network kick-off meeting

The Como Business Network, an initiative of the District 10 Como Community Council, will hold a kick-off meeting on Wednesday, June 19, from 8 to 9:30 a.m. at the Michael Donald Glass Community Room at the Black Bear Crossings Cafe and Banquet Center on Lake Como. The goal of the new network is to bring together businesses serving the Como Park neighborhood to offer networking and business growth opportunities. At the kick-off meeting, interested business representatives and owners can meet each other and help guide the direction of the network, including planning a network launch event and other activities over the upcoming

Businesses located in or that provide services to the Como Park neighborhood are eligible to participate. For more information, call 651-644-3889 or district10@district10comopark.org.

Falcon Heights

The Falcon Heights City Council meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Falcon Heights City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur Ave.

Playground camp has openings

Looking for an affordable camp that your child will love? Falcon Heights Parks and Recreation camp is filled with fun games, crafts and weekly themed activities. Our friendly and experienced staff will make each day exciting and fun.

The camp takes place at two locations. Location 1 is Community Park, 2050 Roselawn Ave., Mondays and Wednesdays, June 12-July 24. Session 1 hours are 8 a.m.-noon. Session 2 hours are 12:30-4:30 p.m. There is also a full-day option.

Kids may be dropped off later than start time. Location 2 is at Curtiss Field, 1555 Iowa Ave., Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 11-July 25. Hours are 8 a.m.-noon. Register at falconheights.org. Click on Parks and Recreation.

Kids can learn how to plant vegetables and then cook them

Does your child love to plant vegetables and cook? Falcon Heights Parks and Recreation has a program for children ages 8-13 that involves planting vegetables in the Falcon Heights Community Garden, maintaining and harvesting the crops. Kids will shop at the local farmers' market and cook healthy foods from the garden. The camp will be held at Community Park, 2050 Roselawn Ave., on Tuesdays, June 18-July 23, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Cost is \$65 for Falcon Heights residents and \$72 for nonresidents. Register at falconheights.org.

Donate to Adopt-A-Crop

Do you love to garden? Please consider adding more vegetables to your gardens this year to donate to the Falcon Heights Adopt-A-Crop program. The city accepts all produce and delivers it daily to the local food shelf. Drop off your produce at City Hall, 2077 W. Larpenteur Ave. Donors will be given special thanks in the city's fall newsletter. The city's goal is to reach 2,000 pounds in donations this year.

Become a firefighter

Join the Falcon Heights Fire Department and see why people love being firefighters. The department offers full training to be a firefighter and EMT. Members are paid for drill nights and fire calls (drill nights are Tuesdays at 7-9 p.m.) and receive a pension credit. Applicants must live within eight minutes of the fire station (you do not have to be a resident). For more information or to apply, go to www.falconheights.org or call 651-792-7632.

Lock your doors and windows

A residential burglary was reported on May 8 in the 2100 block of Folwell Avenue in Falcon Heights.

The incident happened after the resident had retired for the night. It is believed the suspects entered the home through an unlocked door. Now that warm weather is here, police are reminding residents to lock their windows and doors night.

Lauderdale

The Lauderdale City Council meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Lauderdale City Hall, 1891 Walnut St.

Music Under the Trees

Sweet Rhubarb will play at Lauderdale's Music Under the Trees in Community Park on Monday, June 24, at 7:30 p.m. Blue Tratum is schedule for Monday, July 15, at 7:30

This year's concerts will feature musicians playing original music or music in the public domain. Come out and enjoy this free summer entertainment and frozen treats from Schwan's. Bring lawn chairs or blankets. The event may be canceled in the case of rain or severe weather. If you or your business would like to sponsor the city's music events this year, contact City Hall at 651-792-

Building community

If community-building events are important to you, please consider volunteering or joining Lauderdale's Park and Community Involvement Committee. The committee meets about seven times per year on Mondays at 6:30 p.m. If you are interested or would like more information, contact Jim Bownik at City Hall, 651-792-7656.

Upcoming events

Mark your calendar for these upcoming community events:

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Customers rally after burglary at Hamline Avenue coffee shop

By Roger Bergerson

Customer support following a burglary at the Coffee Grounds has been gratifying, according to owner Dave Lawrence.

"There really has been an almost overwhelming response, so many people have stopped by with words of encouragement and our business is up dramatically," said Lawrence, who has owned the coffee shop at 1579 N. Hamline Ave., Falcon Heights, for the past 11 years.

The break-in was discovered by employees who arrived to open the shop at 6 a.m. on April 22. They found that the front door had been kicked in and a significant amount of cash taken from the till, but no other damage.

"Despite some initial reports to the contrary, we did not shut down and by that evening we were back to normal, with a plywood door," Lawrence said. "We couldn't keep people out; they wanted their coffee." investigate the case.

By happy coincidence, an employee of a glass-replacement celebrating its 20th anniversary this company stopped in for a cup, so year. Besides offering coffees, soups, that expedited getting a new door.

Ohl said his department continues to musicians and artists.

The Coffee Grounds is sandwiches and ice cream, it provides St. Anthony Police Chief John a showcase for a range of local

A night of pie, music, ice cream and more

Pie lovers take note: The annual Northern Lights 4-H Club ice cream and pie social will be held Friday, May 31, from 7 to 9 p.m. on Luther Seminary's lawn at the corner of Como Avenue and Luther Place in St. Anthony Park. The annual club fundraiser will feature a variety of pies as well as ice cream, coffee, lemonade and music from the St. Anthony Park Community Band. The band will perform at 7:15 p.m.



How we get to work

By car, foot, bike and bus—and the Internet

This is the fourth in our Who Are We?series of articles that explores aspects of our community as revealed by the findings of the 2010 U.S. Census.

By Judy Woodward

ike any seasoned computer Lprofessional, Sue Hakomaki, a senior business analyst at UnitedHealthcare, knows that the best time to start a large computer run is early in the morning when Internet traffic is at its lightest. But getting to the office early for Hakomaki can involve a grueling battle with morning traffic as she drives from her St. Anthony Park home to work in the distant western suburbs.

Her solution? Once a week, Hakomaki can set her clock early, get up, and walk a few feet to her home computer, where she can launch her calculation before her fellow workers have even reached the on-ramp to the freeway.

For Como Park resident Amy Schoch, a program manager at the American Academy of Neurology in Minneapolis, telecommuting two days a week means that she can schedule conference calls or difficult one-on-one communications for the "peaceful and comfortable" atmosphere of home, far from the distractions of the open plan work space of her downtown office.

Katja Rowell, a family physician-turned-childhood-feedingspecialist, prizes the flexibility and low overhead costs built

in to her St. Anthony Park home-based business. Skype and phone connections allow her to interact with clients from as far away as Germany, but she says, "I can get up from my desk at 11:30 and start the beets boiling for dinner." As a consultant on family eating habits, Rowell says, "I want to walk my talk" when it comes to

"cooking meals in a low-stress way." work in vastly different fields. Their ages, temperaments, personal life



Katja Rowell works with clients from as far away as Germany, all from a desk in her home in St. Anthony Park. Photo by Lori Hamilton

one respect, they are in perfect

workers, they are enthusiastic adopters of technology that allows them to spend at least part of their working life at home.

Our telecommuting rates are well above average

Telecommuting is on the rise nationally, and according to five-year estimates released by the 2011 American Community Survey Hakomaki, Schoch and Rowell the Bugle area. Just more than 4 their altered workweek on everything percent of Americans are estimated from their dry-cleaning bills to their to work mostly at home. In nonprofessional Minnesota, it's closer to 5 percent,

responsibilities vary widely. But in but in Falcon Heights and St. Anthony Park, the figures are much agreement: Like many modern higher still. In north St. Anthony Park, for example, nearly one in five of all male workers operate primarily out of their homes. In Falcon Heights, almost 10 percent of employed women work at home.

Actual rates of telecommuting in the area are even higher than the Census estimates, since the ACS figures are for people who report spending most of their working hours at home. Workers like Hakomaki and Schoch, who telecommute for less than half their (ACS), a report of the U.S. Census, work, are not reflected in the ACS it's even more common in parts of numbers, even though the impact of

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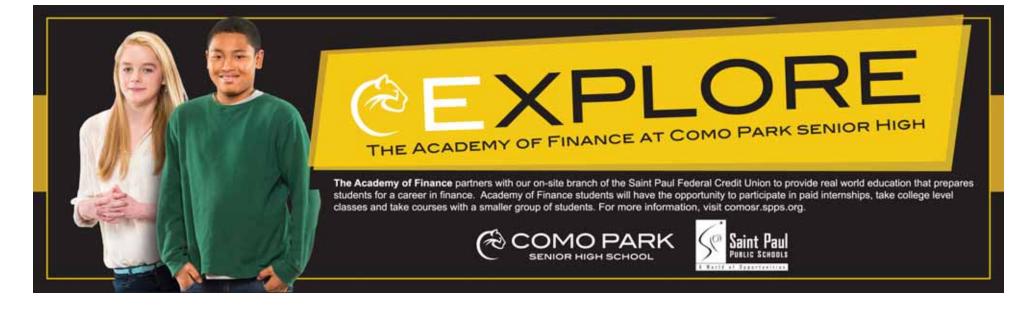
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More art, less tests

We can't let another school year end without railing a little on the relentless amount of resources and time spent on standardized testing.

If we could change one thing in today's schools it would be to lessen the test-taking and mandate time for creative activities.

What if our children spent the same amount of hours in art and music classes each year as they now spend on testing (and practicing for tests)? What if schools were put on academic probation when their first-graders can't use scissors or sixth-graders can't play a musical instrument or high school seniors can't recite a poem from memory?

Canadian writer Lisa Phillips, author of *The Artistic Edge: 7 Skills* Children Need to Succeed in an Increasingly Right Brain World, lists on her blog (theartisticedge.ca) the top 10 skills children learn from the arts: (1) creativity (being able to think on their feet and to approach tasks from different perspectives), (2) confidence, (3) problem solving, (4) perseverance, (5) focus, (6) nonverbal communication, (7) the ability to receive constructive feedback,

(8) collaboration, (9) dedication and (10) accountability. When children practice creating something collaboratively, Phillips says, they get used to the idea that their actions affect other people. They learn that mistakes happen and are part of the learning process.

A recent article in Forbes lists communication skills, creativity, curiosity and the ability to play well with others as essential job skills in today's market. Ideas, adaptability, collaboration: Children learn those skills when they are immersed in creative activity.

On that note, we send best wishes to the five local Destination ImagiNation (DI) teams who will be spending the last weekend in May at the creative-problem-solving competition's Global Finals in Knoxville, Tenn. (You can read about them on page 24 or go to www.parkbugle.org to see photos.)

The rate those 35 DI kids are going, they will be highly employable in a few years.

The Park Bugle welcomes letters and commentaries from our readers. Send your submissions to editor@parkbugle.org or to Editor, Park Bugle, P.O. Box 8126, St. Paul, MN 55108. The deadline for the July issue is Wednesday, June 13.

SLOG: This neighborhood is not your enemy

Dear SLOG: I first noticed your tag, small and innocuously scrawled on an electrical box on Blake Avenue.

And then, during a morning walk in April, I was assaulted by the ugly name, this time large and brown on a Langford Park Rec Center wall.

More ugliness followed: large brown spray-painted frowny-faces with X's for eyes and yet more SLOG everywhere around Langford Park: on trash cans, on walls, even rewritten over areas the city staff had already tried to scrub off or paint over. Later still, there was SLOG on hydrants, rocks, even the back of a building on Como Avenue.

And I wonder, why?

Perhaps you feel invisible, that SLOGing everything in sight is a way for you to tell the world you exist. Unfortunately, you are still invisible. All people know of you is that you have no face, you are disrespectful, and you are too selfish to understand the community at large when you vandalize it.

becoming visible Instead, involves being a force for good in your family, community, and larger society. Work during daylight with people to accomplish good things. You will have a face (and a real name), people will know it, and people will remember you. (But they will not remember SLOG who only made their world uglier, who will get painted over, who will grow up, who will—hopefully—move on to better things.)

Perhaps you want to rebel. You have been mistreated, life has been hard, you do not get what you want from the people you want those things from. But becoming a vandal is not an effective way to right the wrongs in your life, either. After all, is Langford Park the person that wronged you?

Instead, you need to become savvy about dealing with yourself, people, institutions and governments to work through appropriate

channels to get what you need and to or her into being authentically visible. make the changes you want to see.

Perhaps you do not actually want to vandalize but you are part of a group that does such things. We all want and need to belong. We all want and need meaning for our lives. But spewing ugliness, committing crimes and seeking acceptance from people who do these things is not a good choice for creating meaningful community.

Instead, get out while you can, find different friends, curl up with some good books in a library for the next two years if that's what it takes. You and your life and your future are more important than the group you are trying to be a part of. We are all susceptible to the influence of others, so please, SLOG, choose your influences more carefully.

Things are not always great in our personal, social, work, and civic life. At times, should we be upset, restless, inspired to provoke change? Yes. But vandalizing public structures in a neighborhood of kind-hearted, intelligent and good citizens is not the way to fight back. These are the very people who would welcome you into their homes and embrace you in your efforts to make legal, helpful change in the world. This neighborhood is not your enemy.

Instead, we should use our struggle for identity, the restlessness, insecurity or confusion, as motivation to be better, not worse, versions of ourselves. The world needs no more hate, no more bullying or fear or inconsideration for the well-being of others, no more advantage-taking, and, SLOG, no more ugliness. The world needs people who are empathetic, compassionate and willing to work for good and change.

So maybe after taking leave from friends who would encourage you to vandalize, perhaps you can do some soul-searching. Find the real person behind SLOG and bring him

Start with yourself: What is it that you are hurt by, angry about, confused about? Work through these things and talk to those you truly need to communicate with. Then move to others: How can you be a force for good in the world? Perhaps you will advocate for others in situations like yours or for those who are less fortunate. Perhaps you can volunteer to help save rescued animals. Perhaps you will become an art therapist who helps children work through trauma. Perhaps you will become a city or state representative who works for change in

SLOG, there are so many ways to be visible, to be useful, to be needed and to be remembered in our society. You must believe in yourself, make good choices and stick to them (which is not always easy).

I hope you find your way because you likely have great potential. Let SLOG be painted over once and for all, and let your real name and self emerge—as a force for

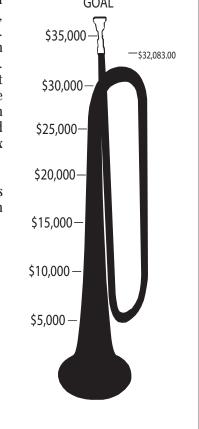
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Last call!

Our fiscal year is ending in June. If you've had us on your to-do list, now's the time to cross off that task. Help us reach our \$35,000 goal in our 2012-13 Bugle fund drive. You can donate online at www.parkbugle.org (click the green DONATE NOW button in the top right-hand corner) or send a check to Park Bugle, P.O. Box 8126, St. Paul, MN 55108.

Thanks to the following readers who gave to the drive between April 15 and May 21.

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It's Bugle-party-hat-contest time

Get creative with all those Bugles lying around your home and make a newspaper hat for the fourth annual Bugle Newspaper Party Hat Contest.

Bring your entry to the Bugle's booth at the St. Anthony Park Arts Festival on Saturday, June 1.

Hats must be made using recycled Bugles, but all manner of embellishments and techniques are welcome. Entries must be submitted by 10:30 a.m. on June 1.

The booth will be in the community section of the festival on Carter Avenue, between Micawber's Books and the Finnish Bistro, just south of Como Avenue (see the festival map on page 12).

Prizes will be given in two categories: preschool to grade 6 and 13 years and older (including adults). Winners will be chosen by festival-goers. There will be a ballot box at the booth for visitors to cast their votes. Prizes will be awarded at the end of the festival. Questions? Call 651-646-5369 or email editor@parkbugle.org.

Bank to host wine-tasing fundraiser for Boy Scouts during Park B4 Dark

The second annual Community Friends of Scouting Wine Tasting will take place from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 20, during the Park B4 Dark event in the St. Anthony Park neighborhood. The winetasting will be sponsored by Shoppe and Colossal Cafe.

Friends of Scouting, the annual fund Park United Church of Christ.

drive of Northern Star Council Boy Scouts of America. These funds support resources, camps and scholarships for youth in our local Cub Packs, Boy Scout Troops, Venture Crews and Explorer Posts. Local units include Pack 22, Sunrise Bank, the Little Wine chartered by St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, and The event will raise funds for Troop 17, chartered by St. Anthony

The event will take place in the lobby of Sunrise Bank, at the corner of Doswell and Como avenues. Wine will be sampled from the Little Wine Shoppe, and hors d'oeuvres will be provided by Colossal Cafe.

A minimum donation of \$15 per person is requested. Tickets are available at Sunrise Bank, Colossal Cafe and the Little Wine Shoppe.

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of Park Press Inc., publisher of the Ave. The agenda will include the Lynn Abrahamsen, Emily Blodgett, election of directors and other Bruno Bornsztein, Ann Fendorf, matters that may be raised by

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Nate Flink, Mark Johanson, John Landree, Karen Lilley, Nancy Olsen, Glen Skovholt, Jan Sedgewick, Blaine Thrasher, Kathy Wellington and Eric Wieffering.

Obama campaign manager to give behind-the-scenes look at 2012

St. Anthony Park resident and twotime campaign manager for the Minnesota Obama effort, Jeff Blodgett, will speak at the JBD Lecture Hall at the Campus Center at Macalester College at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 6, about lessons learned from both the 2008 and 2012 Obama campaigns. Tickets are free, but must be reserved at engage.wellstone.org/winning-thewellstone-way.

As founder and former executive director of Wellstone Action and campaign manager for all of Paul Wellstone's senate campaigns, Blodgett will talk and answer questions about winning grassroots campaign strategies and give a behind-the-scenes look November's win in Minnesota.

The speech is part of Wellstone Action's Camp Wellstone which is taking place that weekend at



Jeff Blodgett

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St. Anthony Park

The District 12 Community Council meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at South St. Anthony Recreation Center (SSA), 890 Cromwell Ave. The district's Land Use Committee meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at SSA. The Energy Resilience Group meets at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month. Email erg@sapcc.org to find out the location each month. The Environment Committee meets at 7 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of the month at SSA.

Thanks to Kasota volunteers

committed group of neighborhood volunteers joined Environment Committee members in early May for a rescheduled cleanup of the Kasota Ponds wetland. Thanks to all who gave their time and energy, and also to Dunn Bros., Colossal Café, Subway, Speedy Market and the Hampden Park Coop for their snack donations.

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6:30-8 p.m. at Langford Park Rec Center to hear from the many transportation organizations and projects going on in our neighborhood. From Hourcar to was not available at press time, but streetcars, Nice Ride bike share to the Friendly Streets initiative, many major players and plans will be there. Is there a transportation group that you'd like to hear from? Email lauren@sapcc.org.

Raymond reconstruction

The reconstruction of Raymond Avenue is underway. Phase I from University to Hampden will begin in 651-695-4000 to learn more and get July. The District 12 Community Council will sponsor a community information session in June for neighbors and property owners to learn more about construction details and timing. Stay tuned at sapcc.org/raymondtrafficcalming for date, time and place.

Phases II and III of Raymond (Hampden to Energy Park and Energy Park to Como Avenue, respectively) have been awarded federal funding and are now in the queue for city funding. The council will host a series of community meetings to get feedback on preferred

Join District 12 on Monday, June 17, options along the route for access, traffic calming, and balancing the multiple kinds of users of this crucial

> The date for the first meeting details will be available on the District 12 website, sapcc.org.

Pedestrian Safety Campaign

Do you care about pedestrian safety? Do you want to ensure that the roads of St. Paul are safe for all users? Join an effort to build a citywide pedestrian safety campaign. Contact Callie at callie@macgrove.org or involved.

Meet us at the arts festival

The Energy Resilience Group and several other action groups from the Transition Town All St. Anthony Park initiative will have a table in the community section at the St. Anthony Park Arts Festival. Community groups will be on Carter Avenue south of Como Avenue. Stop by to say hello and share your ideas.

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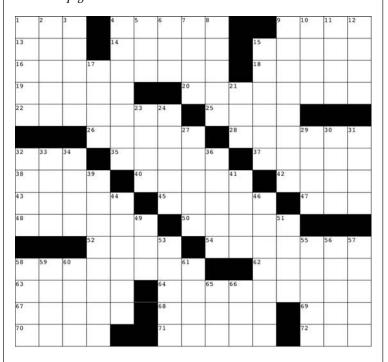
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Crossword puzzle

By Dave Healy

No cheating, but when you're done with this month's puzzle you can find the



ACROSS

- 1 It might fly in a fight
- What Rick and Ilsa will always
- 9 1979 "Crazy Love" group
- 13 Mavericks' home, for short
- 14 Absurd
- 15 Afghan capital
- 16 Reserve
- 18 Like the Wrigley wall
- 19 Mythological huntsman
- 20 French studios
- 22 '70s & '80s Minneapolis jazz group
- 25 Web markup language
- 26 Diving acronym
- 28 Prepared for winter takeoff
- 32 Pest at 4 Down
- 35 Fouls
- 37 Former ABC exec Arledge
- 38 MGM signature sound
- 40 Native American dance
- 42 Stem joint
- 43 Shrek and his ilk
- 45 All ___ up
- 47 Trip ticket?
- 48 Japanese entertainer
- 50 Unaided
- 52 Win
- 54 Popular take-along at 4 Down
- 58 Brainchild of H.W.S. Cleveland
- 62 Phone type
- 63 Dean Martin's "That's ____"
- 64 Popular backdrop in 58 Across
- 67 Emulated Elsie
- 68 She predated Popeye, then dated him
- 69 Great Plains tribe
- 70 See 32 Down
- 71 Principle
- 72 Genevieve Plagens, ad ____

DOWN

- 1 Ruckus
- 2 Waiting wombs?

- One over three?
- Popular activities in 58 Across
- Wheel of Fortune purchase
- **Emulated Mitt Romney**
- Inti worshipper
- "And thy Father which ____ in secret"
- 9 Lakeside destination in 58 Across
- 10 Amy Herzog won one in 2012
- 11 One might be waiting in the wings
- 12 Ironically, you can't get a new one
- 15 Poet memorialized in 58 Across
- 17 They might be negative
- 21 Flight datum
- 23 Tandems
- 24 Last words?
- 27 Hawaiian greeting
- 29 Like Luke's hand
- 30 They might be loose
- 31 Legal document
- 32 With 70 Across, pergola site in 58 Across
- 33 Theater box
- 34 Japanese spear
- 36 Young salmon
- 39 Some finishes, for example
- 41 His spelling is Wobbly
- 44 Fashioned
- 46 Israel's parliament
- 49 Police file abbreviation
- 51 ____ Bombeck
- 53 Cereal fungus
- 55 When quadrupled, a "Catch-22" character
- 56 Emulate Cicero
- 57 Improve an edge?
- 58 You can't do it in 58 Across
- 59 "Typee" sequel
- 60 Cheeky gesture? 61 Moolah
- 65 ____ ear
- 66 Mom with no mom



First Como settler didn't stay long

And, no, he did not give Lake Como its name

By Roger Bergerson

In 1847, government surveyors mapping the area around the hamlet of St. Paul, Wisconsin Territory, encountered a solitary dwelling on the east side of what is now known as Lake Como.

This likely was the farmhouse of 31-year-old Swiss immigrant Charles Perry, the first white settler in the area, part of the land east of the Mississippi River that some writers of the era referred to as the "Sioux Purchase."

Perry's family had been among the earliest Europeans to arrive on this portion of the frontier, initially as squatters on the Fort Snelling military reservation years before the land outside was opened for settlement.

Charles was born in 1816 to Abram Perret—as the name was originally spelled—and his wife,

Mary Anne, in Berne, Switzerland. In 1822, the Perrets were among a contingent of Swiss recruited to help populate a colony in North America started by Lord Selkirk, a Scot who owned a controlling interest in the Hudson's Bay Company.

An arduous journey, during which one of the Perret children died, brought the party to the confluence of the Red and Assiniboine rivers, the site of modern-day Winnipeg, Manitoba.

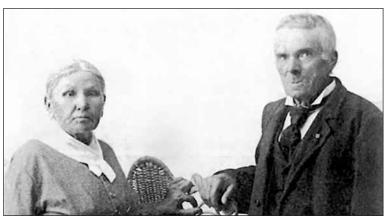
Almost nothing turned out as promised in the Selkirk Colony, but the Perrets hung on, battling the elements,

insects and other calamities. When a flood in 1826 wiped out everything they had accomplished, the Perrets and fellow colonists headed south, driving cattle in front of them, bound for Fort Snelling. The 700mile journey took six months.

Most of the refugees kept on going, but the fort's commandant, Josiah Snelling, allowed a few to stay, including the Perrets, who settled around Coldwater Spring, about a mile up the Mississippi River from the fort.

During the next 10 years, Abraham Perry, as he became known, farmed and developed a fine cattle herd. His wife was valued by the officers' wives for her skilled services as a midwife. But the fact remained that they and their fellows had no legal standing to be on fort land.

Major Joseph Plympton, the commanding officer who replaced Snelling, was less amenable to the squatters, especially to the whisky sellers among them who were causing havoc with both his soldiers and the native people. So in spring 1838, he ordered his troops to evict the civilians from the military reservation. The Perrys and the notorious Pig's Eye Parrant, one of



The Perrys in 1899 on their 50th wedding anniversary. Eighty of their 100 descendants attended the festivities in Mounds View Township.

the whiskey dealers, moved to the today's intersection of Randolph Avenue and West Seventh Street.

They were evicted again in 1840 when Maj. Plympton decided to extend the boundary of the a booklet promoting St. Paul listed

Just such a person arrived in St. vicinity of Fountain Cave, near Paul in 1851: Henry McKenty, soon nicknamed "Broad Acres," quickly became involved in land speculation. His presence in the area was sufficiently established by 1853 that

> "McKenty's rather than Sandy

It was, in fact, McKenty's "poetic salesmanship," as a former Care former Como Park superintendent once described it, that led to the Lake Como allusion, picturesque imagery for the resort community envisioned. The Panic 1857 ruined McKenty prevented that dream becoming a from

As for Charles Perry, he pulled up stakes after only a couple of years, according to the St.

Paul Globe newspaper, because "neighbors were becoming too thick and interfered with his cattle raising."

He moved north to Mounds View Township and in 1850 became the first white settler in what is now Arden Hills, near another lake that McKenty would name, this one for his wife, Johanna.

Perry planted potatoes and other crops—Charles Perry Park on New Brighton Road is on the site—and became quite prosperous. He remarried and his wife, variously identified as Orelia, Angelina or Amelia, gave birth to 15 children.

In the 1880s, Thomas Newson, who wrote biographical sketches of the old pioneers, had this to say of Charles Perry:

"Of course, he remembers (St. Paul) as it was, but he never dreamed of its present growth. He is an unsophisticated farmer, living almost outside the limits of civilization and probably enjoying himself better there than amid the dazzling splendor of city life."

Roger Bergerson is a local historian who lives and writes at his home in the Como Park neighborhood.



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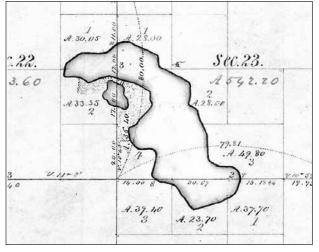
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Lake Como was about 50 acres larger in 1847, extending onto what is now the golf course. The structure indicated at the top right of the lake is likely the Perry farmhouse. Minnesota Geospatial Information Office and David Arbeit

reservation farther east, to what later became known as the Seven Corners area, near today's Excel Energy Center. After a life of trials and misfortune, Abraham lacked the energy to start over. He and his wife moved in with a married daughter.

Charles, now 24, struck off on his own and in 1841 married Emilie Bruce at Mendota. Emilie was said to be a Native American and bore three children before dying at a young age.

When the surveyors came by, Perry must have been a recent arrival on the shore of Sandy Lake, as it was then named, raising potatoes and grazing cattle. The surrounding countryside, according to one account was "a rank growth of hazel brush, scrub oak, with an occasional cluster of pines on the low lands."

Over the years, some have contended that Perry gave Lake Como its name, in honor of the original in the Italian Alps. However, it seems much more likely that it would take a person of powerful imagination—such as a real estate developer—to conjure up a connection between one of Europe's most beautiful bodies of water and what some described as little more than a swampy, shallow pond.

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Luther Seminary from 1

community, and we're trying as hard as we can to be one."

He said progress has been made to put the seminary's financial house in order, but it will take several more years to get everything back on track.

Luther is the largest of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America's eight seminaries. "When community are saying, 'OK, that our difficulties came to light, I think

this community but the other seminaries as well," Foss said.

Foss served as bishop of the Eastern North Dakota Synod of the church and commented that one of the things he learned from Red River flooding disasters is that "people heal at different rates.

"I think some members of our happened, let's get on with it,' while

it sent a shock wave not only through others say, 'Hold on, how did we get in this mess?'

"In general, however, I think there's slowly building excitement about where we'll be when this is over," Foss said. "God hasn't gone away, the mission is still intact, the students coming out of here are incredible. Time is an ally now."

Roger Bergerson is a freelance writer and a regular contributor to the Park Bugle.

Getting to work from 3

mental equilibrium may substantial.

In fact, to hear them tell it, schedules like Schoch's and Hakomaki's may be ideal.

"I like to see [my colleagues'] smiling faces," says Hakomaki about her preference for a mixture of working at home and at the office. "Complete telecommuters have to find other ways to maintain a presence in the office."

Schoch enjoys her schedule so much that she says, "I don't know if I can go back to five days at work anymore." But she quickly points out that there are benefits to her employer, as well. "It's a backup plan, if something happened to the [workspace downtown]. On a snow day, I'm expected to work."

As for Rowell, who works exclusively at home, she says, "I miss having colleagues [close at hand]. I have to be proactive in cultivating colleagues." Rowell also notes another drawback to her situation. Working at home makes it so easy to get to work, that it can be difficult to know when to stop.

"I struggle to put a bookend at the end of the day," she says. "I'm working on striking that balance between being accessible to online clients and setting domestic boundaries."

Home office can get lonely

Feelings of isolation affect many of those who work at home, and some workers have come up with novel ways to address the problem. The Third Place, a co-working space at 2190 Como Ave. run by the St. Community Anthony Park Foundation, provides basic office amenities for a modest monthly rate.

"As someone who has worked out of a home office my whole work career, I do know that it's sometimes hard to get down to work, especially when you are setting your own schedule," says Jon Schumacher, executive director of the foundation.

Third Place users like Joel Donna appreciate the 24-hour access and Wi-Fi service. Donna, who holds a half-time appointment at the University of Minnesota, spends the rest of his working week as president and CEO of 3Ring, a nonprofit educational technology initiative supported by a Bush Foundation grant. Although Donna frequently works at his home in St. Anthony Park, he says, "I needed a place where we could hold meetings and work with colleagues. It gets me out of the house."

On a recent afternoon, Donna

was sharing the Third Place with the 27-year-old co-founders of Howling Moon Software, a developer of games for the iPhone and iPad. Andy Korth of Inver Grove Heights and Scott Lembcke of Coon Rapids each work from home two days a week. The other three days they meet "halfway between" at the Third Place.

"We get stir-crazy if we spend too much time at home," says Korth. "We need to bounce ideas off each other."

"All we need is power and a place to sit," adds Lembcke. "We bring our computers with us."

Census researchers have found that telecommuting and other forms of working at home are most often associated with workers who hold advanced degrees and managerial or professional jobs, so it's not surprising that residents of Falcon Heights and St. Anthony Park with their traditionally high levels of education and strong ties to local colleges and universities would score well on this measure.

According to spokesperson Susan Diekman, the University of Minnesota has a formal application procedure for telecommuting, but since such cases are "arranged at the supervisory level," the university doesn't maintain an overall count of employees who work from home.

Hard numbers may be lacking, but it's probably safe to assume that many faculty members occasionally work at home without the benefit of a formal arrangement.

Getting to the real office

Telecommuting aside, when it comes to getting to work, there are plenty of other indications that our area is unusual. In the Bugle area, even the workers who do go into the office often choose alternative ways of getting there.

Consider the national figures: According to the ACS, only 5 percent of Americans take the bus or other public transportation to work; another 2.8 percent walk; and less than half of 1 percent ride bikes to the office. By contrast, in the section of Falcon Heights that contains Commonwealth Terrace student housing, a full 40 percent of workers take the bus, as do one in five working women in south St. Anthony Park. More than 7 percent of male employees in south St. Anthony Park ride their bikes to work, and if pedestrians in north St. Anthony Park display a certain heads-down concentration in their gait, it's no accident. Many of them are on their way to the office. More than 12 percent of men in the neighborhood walk to work every

Even in a circumscribed area like the Bugle readership zone, there are big differences between the neighborhoods when it comes to the daily commute. In Lauderdale, for example, 11.5 percent of workers report taking public transportation, but only 1.6 percent of the residents say they work at home.

Working at home isn't new

Of course, working from home didn't begin with the computer age, and even now, not all home-based work involves telecommuting or other technological assists. Area residents work at home for all sorts of reasons, and they've been doing so since the area was first developed beginning in the late 19th century.

Electronic wizardry has made it easier for more of us to work at home, but it doesn't necessarily mean we'll turn out better work.

Here's a case in point: In the depths of the Great Depression, a faculty wife from University Grove grew disenchanted with the quality of the Sunday school stories available to her children. Convinced that she could do better herself, she set to work in the family's living room, writing in longhand while her children studied at the nearby oneroom schoolhouse at the corner of Larpenteur and Cleveland avenues.

Working only a few hours a day, Carol Ryrie Brink created one of the enduring classics of American children's literature.

Caddie Woodlawn was published in 1935 and won the 1936 Newbery Medal for Children's Literature. It has remained continuously in print ever since and was named one of the 100 Best American children's books in 2012 by the School Library Journal.

And Brink did it all while working at home without any technological aids beyond the telephone.

When Judy Woodward writes about telecommuting, she knows whereof she speaks. A Ramsey County librarian and freelance writer, she spends much of her working life at her home computer dealing with techie crises like the "blue screen of death" that temporarily derailed this article while she was working on deadline. Fortunately, Woodward has a keen appreciation for the ironic.

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St. Anthony Park foundation announces 2013 grant recipients

indicator of economic recovery, there is still a ways to go in the nonprofit sector, said Jon Schumacher, the money to the Park Bugle for the foundation's executive director.

Foundation requests for the 2013 grant cycle topped \$70,000, a significant increase from previous years, Schumacher said. The foundation usually receives requests totaling \$40,000 to \$50,000.

"These are requests for good programs addressing critical needs," Schumacher said. "It would have been nice to grant them all, but with only \$32,000 available, our grants committee did its best to determine which initiatives would benefit the greatest number of District 12 residents.'

The local schools topped the list, with money going toward environmental, music and arts programs not covered by the St. Paul Public Schools' district budget. Joy of the People Soccer, housed in the South St. Anthony Recreation Center, was also a grant receipient. The organization was recently recognized by the U.S. Soccer Foundation with a grant of \$80,000 toward construction of a year-round

Eat, drink, shop at Park B4 Dark

"Eat. Drink. Shop." is the theme for the fourth annual Park B4Dark summer series, which will be held the third Thursday of each summer month, starting June 20.

The event is hosted by the St. Community Anthony Park Foundation, with support from the Metro Independent Business Alliance (MetroIBA) and the merchants of Como Avenue in St. Anthony Park. The event runs from 5 to 8 p.m. on June 20, July 18 and Aug. 15.

Park B4 Dark will feature shopping, dining and beverage specials, as well as free music and other activities.

The musical offerings will expand to two stages this year, one in the parking lot of Speedy Market (at Como and Doswell avenues) where Danny & Friends will play. The Finnish Bistro's outdoor patio at the corner of Como and Carter avenues will feature musicians John Whitehead, Ross Johnson & the C's, Sweet Rhubarb, MonyMusk, Blue Yodel NO. 9, Phil Carlson and Bernie King & the Guilty Pleasures.

The festival's planning team consists of Mary Hamel of the MetroIBA, Terri Banaszewski of Sunrise Banks and Jon Schumacher of the community foundation.

Event specials and activities tend to evolve throughout the summer, but you can find out more by going to www.sapfoundation.org. To find out more about MetroIBA visit www.buylocaltwincities.com and for Sunrise Bank visit www.sunrisebanks.com

If the total dollar amount of grant athletic field. Joy of the People has move into the Advanced Placement requests to the St. Anthony Park added on to that plan with a vision Community Foundation is an of additional recreational fields and equipment.

The foundation also granted purchase of a community mailing list, St. Anthony Park Area Seniors to continue to provide services to the area's senior citizens, District 12's Transition Town initiative, Music in the Park, and TU Dance on University Avenue.

In addition, the foundation purchased trees to be planted in Langford Park to replace those that had been taken down due to an infestation of the emerald ash borer and it helped secure an additional \$47,000 to support the new environmental science class created by Murray Junior High science teacher Tim Chase. The new course, a collaboration with Wolf Ridge Environmental Learning Center, is designed to help talented students

science track. The course began this spring and has guaranteed funding for four years.

The science class and treeplanting projects are indicative of how the foundation's fundraising is evolving, said Schumacher. The community response to the annual general campaign has remained healthy but fairly static over the past few years, while contributions to designated funds (the foundation's endowment, environmental education and music) have increased significantly, he said.

The general funds pay for staff time and programming. Designated contributions fund grants and encourage new solutions to local

"The foundation is very grateful for and welcomes all donations of dollars, talent,' time and Schumacher said.



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The public comment period commences April 24, 2013, and terminates May 23, 2013. A copy of the full web notice, the draft/proposed permit, and technical support document will be available on the MPCA's website at http://www.pca.state.mn.us/news/data/index.cfm?PN=1. To receive a paper copy of the web notice, you can contact Laurie O'Brien at 651-757-2081

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By Mary Winget

After Minnesota's extended winter, this year's St. Anthony Park Garden Tour will be especially inviting. On Saturday, June 29, nearly a dozen gardens will be open to ticket holders.

The gardens featured in the 2013 tour come in all shapes and sizes. The tour includes a tall, vertical, hillside garden; an alley garden; a garden with a waterfall and pond filled with koi and lotus; a modern, geometric garden; vegetable gardens along the boulevard (sometimes called "full-frontal gardening"); unique gazebos; and more.

Get inspired or just relax and enjoy the results of someone else's hard work.

One of the many appealing features of this tour is the proximity of the different gardens. Many are within a short walk of each other. Others are only minutes away by car. Also, a master gardener and a member of the garden club will be available at each location to answer questions.

The gardens of John Shepard and Suzanne Brust will be featured on the tour. The couple began their elaborate garden makeover in 2010 with help from Marty Ruddy of Terra Firma Building and Remodeling and St. Anthony Park landscape architect John Thomas.

Shepard's lifelong fascination with rivers is reflected in his garden design. He is an associate professor and assistant director of the Center for Global Environmental Education (CGEE) at Hamline University. The CGEE deals with rivers and other water-related issues. As an example of Shepard's interest in rivers, he arranged for the water from the downspout on the garage to flow through an underground pipe to the rain garden. This garden is filled with almost two dozen wetland plants, including marsh marigold, bog rosemary, cardinal flower, coneflower, queen of the prairie and ajuga.



features Nick and Debbie Jordan's boulevard garden. Nick, who teaches agriculture at the University of Minnesota, focuses on sustainable farming. Because of limited sunlight, he grows lots of leafy veggies, such as kale and Asian greens, as well as carrots, beets, turnips, peas and beans. He emphasizes soil preparation and the use of compost



Details of the backyard garden of Suzanne Brust and John Shepherd. *Photos by John Shepherd*

Across a slate bridge from the rain garden is a running stream that flows over a beautifully designed waterfall. Paper birches grow on one side of the waterfall, and a crab apple tree stands on the other side.

Hosta and a Japanese fountain line the fence along a shady patio, and a fern garden nestles along the opposite side. Other gardens and parts of the yard have a wide array of flowers, birch trees, barberry, arctic willow and dogwood bushes.

The lines of the various gardens follow the lines of the house and garage. The harmonious design creates a peaceful, inviting setting for the multilevel patios, deck and gardens. Curved stone borders soften perpendicular angles, creating an overall sense of peace. Visitors pass between honeysuckle trees on either side of a charming arbor as they enter and exit this little bit of paradise.

Another garden on the tour

and organic fertilizers and plants in beds rather than in rows to reap the most from his limited space. Nick is able to harvest his crop year round.

His vegetable garden serves as a kind of laboratory for many neighborhood children, who enjoy learning how some of their favorite veggies actually grow. Nick even gives inquisitive children the opportunity to pick their own free samples.

Debbie Jordan's small perennial flower garden, filled primarily with shade plants, is tucked between Nick's two plots.

Advance tickets to the garden tour are \$12 and are available at the Bibelot and Speedy Market. Tickets can be purchased on the day of the tour at the St. Anthony Park Library, 2245 Como Avenue, St. Paul, for \$15.

Mary Winget is a member of the St. Anthony Park Garden Club.

Como Park tour features the edible and the easy

The Como Park Neighborhood Garden Tour, part of District 10's Como Fest, is scheduled for Saturday, July 20, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This annual event will feature 15 gardens located throughout the neighborhood. The tour is free and open to the public.

"This year's tour will highlight a variety of gardens in different stages of development," according to Val Cunningham, a District 10 Environment Committee member and the tour coordinator. "We're excited that all of the gardens on this tour are designed and maintained by

our neighbors, so they showcase ideas, techniques and plants that anyone can grow."

Gardeners across Como Park are working to address the decline in populations of native insects and songbirds through the incorporation of native plants into new and existing gardens. This year's tour will feature several gardeners who are making interesting and beautiful use of native plants. Other gardens will spotlight edible or drinkable produce, shade gardening and pet-friendly options.

Garden tour maps will be available on the day of the tour at the Como Fest Art Fair, located at the Church of the Holy Childhood, 1435 Midway Parkway, or online at www.district10comopark.org. The tour is free.





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Artist spotlights

Meet the featured artists at this year's festival

By Kyle Mianulli



Bob Carls

When the world's most beautiful wood meets the artistic craftsmanship of Bob Carls, the result is an extraordinary convergence of natural allure and human creativity.

Essentially self-taught, Carls has been making lathe-turned and carved wood vessels and structures for more than 20 years. Through a variety of woodworking techniques he is able to achieve unique effects that set his work apart from traditional segmented wood art.

From sushi trays to salad bowls and other containers, much of his work serves a functional purpose. He says it is his intention that people not only appreciate the aesthetic value of his art but also use it regularly.

A lifetime of artistic interests, including photography, improvisational music and film, leave Carls with an abundance of inspiration, but he says abstract and expressionist painters have particularly influenced his work with wood.

Along with his wife—a studio weaver—Carls runs the Ripple River Gallery in Aitkin, Minn., where the couple also lives. With work from 50 to 60 regional artists on display at a time, the gallery has been a huge success and allows the couple to stay more connected to their work, Carls says.

In addition to Ripple River Gallery, Carls' work can be found in permanent collections at the Minnesota State Historical Society in St. Paul, the Waage Art Center in Fergus Falls and the Waterloo Art Museum in Iowa.

Guillermo Cuellar

With organic beauty that harkens back to ancient tradition, Guillermo Cuellar's pottery sits naturally at the intersection of art and utility.

Beyond its aesthetic value, appreciation of his work comes, in part, from using it. "You make it a part of your life, and every time you interact with it you add a little more richness of meaning to it," he says.

In this way, a baking dish that comes out for company takes on additional significance beyond the object itself. It can signify the relationship you have to your community and friends, he says.

Born in Venezuela, Cuellar's love affair with the potter's wheel began in 1971 while attending Cornell College in Mt. Vernon, Iowa. He brought this love back to his native country where he later opened his first studio.

In 1992 he founded a nonprofit group with other local artisans called Grupo Turgua that sought to promote quality handmade objects in Venezuela.

Cuellar's first connection to Minnesota came through several potters who came to teach in Venezuela. He moved to the St. Croix River Valley in 2005, and became part of a thriving community of potters there.

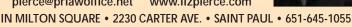
His work has appeared in the Venezuelan National Art Gallery, the Smithsonian Institution and the Northern Clay Center in Minnesota, as well as private galleries in the United States, England, Venezuela and Chile.



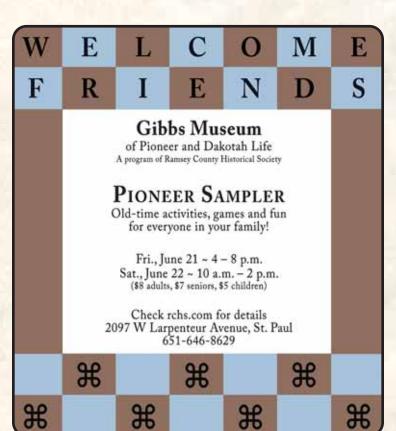


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Your arts festival to-do list

- Children: make a hat or try weaving at the Kids' Activity Tents
- Check out the used book sale in the library's lower level
- Find a favorite perennial at the St. Anthony Park Garden Club plant sale
- Visit your neighborhood nonprofit groups: the Park Bugle, District 12 and its Transition Town action groups, St. Anthony Park Area Seniors, Hampden Park Food Co-op, St. Anthony Park Community Foundation and more
- Help create a collaborative community book with Driftwood Community Arts
- Create a newspaper hat for the Park Bugle's Art Party Hat Contest and deliver it to the Bugle booth on Carter Avenue by 10:30 a.m.
- Visit the Bald Eagle at the Raptor Center's booth in the courtyard of Milton Square from 1 to 3 p.m.
- · Listen to music, eat, buy art

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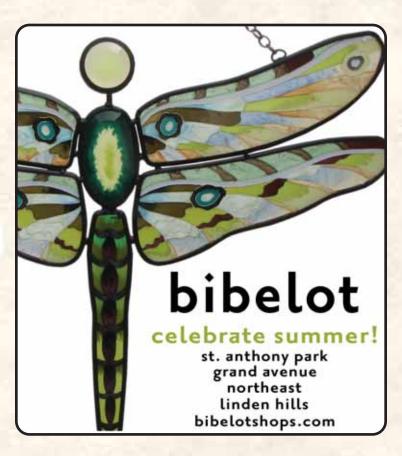
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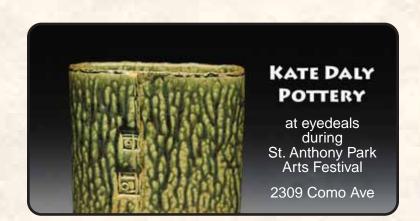
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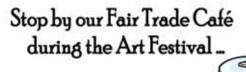












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Artist spotlights from 11



Margaret Dittrich

Margaret Dittrich says she has rocks in her head—exquisitely beautiful rocks, that is

Working as a full-time jeweler for 15 years, she has developed a creative knack for combining mostly silver and gold with both common and unusual stones to create graceful, yet simple, wearable art.

Her jewelry encompasses a variety of styles, from strictly metal pieces to more elaborate works that incorporate various minerals from pebbles and meteorites to pearls and sapphires. She is especially drawn to uncommon material like jaspers, she says.

One of the most rewarding parts of her work is when she takes bold chances that turn into masterpieces. "Every once in a while I'll really go outside of my comfort zone and make something I just feel like making," she says.

While pursuing a career as an oncology nurse, Dittrich first became infatuated with stones in Madison, Wis., when she wandered into an unsuspecting rock shop. "That was it, I just got totally sucked in," she says.

Dittrich lives and works in St. Paul, where she also enjoys spending time with her husband, two children and three grandchildren.

Her work can be found around town in various galleries, including the Grand Hand Gallery on Grand Avenue and the Minnesota History Center gift shop. She also enjoys participating in regional art shows where she can meet and interact with the people who are interested in her work.

Patti Berg

By combining classic millinery techniques with modern materials, Patti Berg's hats achieve a timeless charm that never goes out of style. She describes them as wearable but not trendy—capable of standing the test of time.

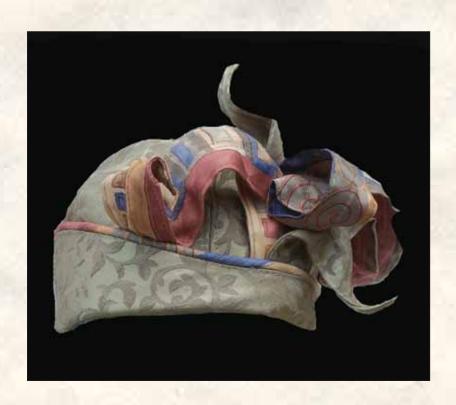
Traditionally, hats were passed down through generations. Berg strives to achieve this heirloom quality in her work.

Hats should be an expression of those who wear them, Berg says. They are meant to draw attention. "Isn't that what we're all here for? To make the landscape more interesting for each other?"

Since childhood, Berg has been fascinated by the ways people adorn themselves. She got her start in the 1960s as a leather smith and has designed many types of clothing and accessories since. It wasn't until later in her career that she settled down with hats. She especially appreciates the playful elegance they can carry

"They are a lot of fun. They're just hilarious. The things people say and do with hats just kills me. I love it," she says.

Berg lives and works on her Arabian horse ranch in Embarrass, Minn.—the coldest place in the contiguous United States, as she will remind you. She says the most rewarding aspect of her work is being able to lose herself in her studio, where time and space seem to melt away.









Summer Reading Program schedule

The St. Anthony Park Arts Festival helps support the St. Anthony Park Library's Summer Reading Program. The program will move this summer to St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 2200 Hillside Ave., while the library is remodeled. The program is held on Tuesdays and has two shows each day: 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Here's the summer schedule:

June 11: Brodini Comedy Magic Show

June 18: Wendy's Wiggle, Jiggle and Jam!

June 25: Bill the Juggler July 9: Musician Paul Spring

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Stop by the church's tent on the of Como Commonwealth avenues during the St. Anthony Park Arts Festival on Saturday, June 1, to make a donation or to find out more about this effort.

Heartwood Festival is June 1

The Hamline Midway Heartwood Festival, a family-friendly event celebrating community, sustainability and art, will kick off with a Bike Walk Parade at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 1, at Hancock Recreation Center, 1610 Hubbard Ave. The festival will follow the parade at 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Newell Park, located at Fairview and Hewitt avenues. The festival will include entertainment, a resource fair, children's activities, and an art and craft fair. Local food vendors will also be on hand.

The Hamline Midway Heartwood Festival is presented by the Hamline Midway Coalition in partnership with St. Paul Parks and Recreation.

For more information, contact Kristy at 651-494-7683 kristy@hamlinemidway.org.

Author to talk about guns and gun violence at Roseville library

Paul Barrett, author of the bestselling Glock: the Rise of America's Gun, will speak at the Ramsey County Library at Roseville, 2180 N. Hamline Ave., on Monday, June 3,

Barrett has spoken about guns and gun violence on national radio and television. The June 3 talk will be his only live appearance in the Twin Cities this year.

First introduced to police, who saw themselves as outgunned by violent cocaine gangs, the Glock is today embraced by two-thirds of all police departments. It has been glamorized in countless Hollywood movies, but it has also made headlines for a far more somber reason: its use in an alarming number of recent killing sprees, from Virginia Tech in 2007 to Tucson, Ariz., in 2011 to Newtown, Conn., in December 2012. Barrett, who lives and works in New York City, will offer a discussion for anyone interested in handguns, the firearms industry or the level of gun violence in America.

Zion Lutheran Church rummage sale supports youth programming Zion Lutheran Church, 1697 Lafond Ave., in the Midway area, will hold a rummage sale on Friday and Saturday, June 7 and 8, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Proceeds will be used to support the children and youth

programs at the church.

Coffee and refreshments will be available. To donate items to the sale, drop them off at the church during May. Call 651-645-0851 or visit www.zlcmidway.org for more information.

Chinese storytime moves to Methodist church this summer

St. Anthony Park Library's Mandarin Chinese storytime will move to St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 2200 Hillside Ave., during the library's renovation this summer. The storytime will be held at 3 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of the month through early August.

Signs of mental illness in children focus of NAMI June workshop

The National Alliance on Mental Illness of Minnesota (NAMI Minnesota) will hold a free, twohour workshop for parents and teachers on recognizing warning signs of mental illness in children and how early intervention and treatment is essential for their success.

The workshop will be held on Tuesday, June 11, from 10 a.m. to noon at NAMI Minnesota, 800 Transfer Rd., Suite 31. The workshop meets the continuingeducation requirement for teachers. For more information, or to register for this class, contact NAMI at 651-645-2948.



Kaelyn Bailey

Local girl is state pageant finalist

Kaelyn Bailey, 6, a first-grader at College Prep Elementary School, is a state finalist in the National American Miss Minnesota Pageant, which will be held June 1 and 2 in Bloomington. The pageant is held for girls ages 4 to 19 and has five age divisions. Kaelyn will participate in the Princess division.

Rummage sale at Bethel Lutheran

Bethel Lutheran Church, 670 W. Wheelock Parkway, will hold its 12th annual rummage sale benefiting the Children's Christian Education Fund on Wednesday, June 12 (presale at 6-8 p.m.; \$3 admission), Friday and Saturday, June 13 and 14 (9 a.m.-6 p.m.), and Sunday, June 15 (9 a.m.-3 p.m.).

The church will be open to

receive "almost-new" donations on Saturday, June 1 and 8, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

For more information about Bethel Lutheran Church, visit www.bethelstpaul.com or call 651-488-6681.

Free education workshop on mental illness offered at Regions

The National Alliance on Mental Illness of Minnesota (NAMI Minnesota) will hold a free, one-day education workshop that provides families and individuals with information on mental illnesses, practical coping strategies, and hope for recovery. The workshop will be held at Regions Hospital, Teeter Library, 640 Jackson St., on Saturday, June 15, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Registration is requested. For information or to register, call 651-645-2948.

Irish Music Weekend June 13-16

Internationally renowned musicians will converge for the sixth annual Minnesota Irish Music Weekend (MIM) Thursday, June 13, through Sunday, June 16, at the Center for Irish Music, at the Celtic Junction, 836 Prior Avenue N.

Featured artists will include piano and tin whistle player and teacher Geraldine Cotter and awardwinning fiddle player Oisín McAuley from the Irish group Danú. They are two of five master artists who will participate in the three-day festival, which will include a Saturday evening public concert featuring all five visiting artists, lectures on Irish music history and weekend workshops in flute, fiddle, tin whistle, song, piano and uilleann pipes for children, teens and adults.

Workshops will begin at 9:30 a.m. daily and range in price from \$15 to \$33. The Saturday night concert begins at 7:30 p.m. and prices for the concert range from \$6

Music programming will include classes for young beginners and teenagers. The teen program is for ages 12-19. Both teen and adult programs are designed intermediate to advanced-level students and include workshops in instruments such as fiddle, flute, tin whistle, piano, song, accordion and Irish music accompaniment. All Irish instruments are welcome.

In addition to hands-on music workshops, MIM offers lectures and demonstrations on the history of Irish music.

Find out more at www.centerforirishmusic.org.

Co-ed drum circle

A co-ed drum circle will be held on Friday, June 28, at 6:30 p.m. at the Women's Drum Center, 2242 W. University Ave. Percussion, rhythm and freedom of expression will be explored.

All levels of experience are welcome. Cost is \$10 at the door. Drums will be provided. Find out more: www.womensdrumcenter.org.



Derby winners

Cub Scout Pack 22 hosted its annual Pinewood Derby on Saturday, March 9. The top six finishers are shown here, from left: Aiden Batchelor, Keith Deal, Israel Fuller, Liam Nietz, Kevin Torstenson and Caleb



A sweet donation

A troop of first-grade Daisy Girl Scouts donated \$120 of their cookie money to adopt Whisper, a barn owl at the University of Minnesota Raptor Center. The girls visited the center on April 16, where they met the owl. Adoption gifts help feed, house and provide medical care for raptors at the center that can't be released back into the wild due to extensive injuries. Pictured here are, from left, Kiki Ruddy, Annika Culver, Alice Wagner-Hemstad, Genevieve Batchelor, Elise Dunne, Kaisa Lindfors, Teodora Kamenov, Siri Pattison, Ishana Vora, Naomi Kempcke, naturalist Adam Barnett and Whisper. The troop leaders (not pictured) are Dina Kountoupes, Jenifer Culver and Dana Wagner. The girls all attend St. Anthony Park Elementary School.

Free young adult dinners

Church, 2200 Hillside Ave., provides free hot, home-cooked church parlor. Dinner is followed by University Avenue venue. conversation and packaging up the leftovers for guests to take home. Since September 2011 the church has hosted more than 37 young adults. Guests are from all over the world, including China, Moldova, Korea, Nigeria and Kenya. No reservations are required. All young adults are welcome.

Vacation Bible school

St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church will be hosting vacation Bible school July 23-25, from 6 to 8 p.m., in the church Fellowship Hall. All children ages 3 (as of July 1) through grade 5 (completed) are welcome. Pick up your registration form in the church narthex or call the church office at 651-646-4859, and don't forget to invite your friends and neighbors.

Final production at Gremlin's

The Effect of Gamma Rays on Manin-the-Moon Marigolds opens Friday, dinners for young adults every June 7, at the Gremlin Theatre, 2400 Sunday at 6:30 p.m. Participants eat together in a casual style in the church parlor Dipper in followed by the final production at the shurch parlor Dipper in followed by the final production at the style in the church parlor Dipper in followed by the final production at the style in the church parlor Dipper in followed by the final production at the style in the church parlor Dipper in followed by the final production at the style in the church parlor Dipper in followed by the final production at the style in the church parlor Dipper in followed by the final production at the style in the church parlor Dipper in followed by the final production at the style in the church parlor Dipper in followed by the final production at the style in the church parlor Dipper in followed by the final production at the style in the church parlor Dipper in followed by the final production at the style in the style in the church parlor Dipper in followed by the final production at the style in th

The production runs through Sunday, June 24. Tickets are \$20 and may be purchased at the door, online at www.gremlin-theatre.org or by Raymond Avenue.

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The play will run through three weekends. Performances begin at 8 pm. Fridays and Saturdays and at 4 p.m. Sundays. There will be one pay-

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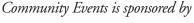
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Venue information is listed at the end of the calendar. Send your events to calendar@parkbugle.org by June 12 to be included in the July Bugle.

1 SATURDAY

St. Anthony Park Garden Club Annual Plant Sale, parking lot of Park Service, 2277 Como Ave., during St. Anthony Park Arts Festival, 9 a.m.

St. Anthony Park Library Association Book Sale, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., St. Anthony Park Library

4 TUESDAY

International & Domestic Adoption Information Session, 6-8:30 p.m., **CHSFS**

6 THURSDAY

District 12 Land Use Committee meeting, 7-9 p.m., SSA

10 MONDAY

Minnesota's Waiting Children Information Session, learn about adopting children who live in foster care, 6-8 p.m., CHSFS

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12 WEDNESDAY

Mandarin Chinese Storytime, hosted by the St. Anthony Park Library, 3 p.m., St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church

13 THURSDAY

District 12 board meets, 7-9 p.m.,

17 MONDAY

St. Anthony Park Transportation Expo, 6:30-9 p.m., SSA

21 FRIDAY

Pioneer Sampler Live Music Night, 4-8 p.m., Gibbs Museum, \$8 adults, \$7 seniors, \$5 ages 3-16

22 SATURDAY

International & Domestic Adoption Information Session, 9-11:30 a.m.,

Pioneer Sampler Petting Zoo, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Gibbs Museum, \$8 adults, \$7 seniors, \$5 ages 3-16

23 SUNDAY

Sunday Afternoon Book Club, "Runaway" by Alice Munro, 2:30 p.m., Micawber's

26 WEDNESDAY

Mandarin Chinese Storytime, 3 p.m., St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church

28 FRIDAY

Co-ed drum circle, 6:30 p.m.,

Women's Drum Center, 2242 W. University Ave., \$10 at the door. Drums provided.

29 SATURDAY

St. Anthony Park Garden Tour, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets \$15 day of tour, at St. Anthony Park Library lawn. Advance tickets \$12 at Bibelot, Micawber's and Tim and Tom's Speedy

BLOCK NURSE EXERCISE

St. Anthony Park Area Seniors block nurse exercise classes meet at these times and places:

Tuesdays & Fridays, St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 3-4 p.m.

Mondays & Thursdays, Seal High Rise, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Wednesdays, SAP United Methodist Church, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

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Micawber's Bookstore, 2238 Carter Ave., 651-646-5506

Seal High Rise, 825 Seal St.

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St. Anthony Park Library, 2245 Como Ave., 651-642-0411

St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church, 2200 Hillside Ave.

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Melford Anderson

Melford L. Anderson, 87, of Lauderdale, died May 5. He was a 50-year member of the Machinist Union, Lodge 737.

Melford was preceded in death by his wife, Jean, and brother, Orville. He is survived by his son, John (Diane); daughter, Janice (Carl Palmer); two grandsons; and sisters, Elna Paulson and Mavis Lenning.

His funeral service was May 10 at the Roseville Memorial Chapel, with interment at Elmhurst Cemetery.

Allison Callahan

Allison J. Callahan, 35, of Falcon Heights, died April 20. She is survived by her parents, Bruce and Jane Callahan; siblings, Erin and Colin (Trish); grandmother, Marilyn Callahan; and other relatives.

A celebration of her life was held at Southview Country Club, West St. Paul, on April 28.

Joseph Friberg

Joseph M. "Joe" Friberg, 87, of Como Park, died at home April 27. He worked for Burlington Northern Railroad for 40 years. A U.S. Navy veteran who served in World War II and Korea, Joe was a member of VFW Post 7555, an avid bowler, fisherman and all-round sports fan.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Bettie Mae (Wilkerson); sons, Greg (Carol), Grant (Jan) and daughters, George (Joanne); Shannon (Tom Risor), Shelley (Bill) Pickett and Shawn; grandchildren; and 13 greatgrandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated May 2 at Holy Childhood Catholic Church in Como Park, with interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery.

James Genia

James M. Genia, 48, of Shoreview, died March 30, surrounded by his wife and many family members. Jim courageously fought for two-and-ahalf years through numerous life-debilitating illnesses.

Jim grew up in St. Anthony Park and attended St. Anthony Park Elementary, Murray Junior High School and Como Park Senior High School, where he graduated in 1982.

He was a caring and giving man and will be missed by his family and friends. Jim was an admired attorney, lobbyist and judge. He was a tribal member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Harbor Springs, Mich.

Jim had worked as the head of the Indian law practice group at Lockridge Grindal Nauen PLLP in Minneapolis. One historic decision he helped litigate successfully was the Minnesota v. Mille Lacs Band of Chippewa Indians case that upheld several tribes' hunting, fishing and

gathering rights under an 1837 treaty with the United States. The case was decided in the U.S. Supreme Court and remains a critical decision maintaining Native American sovereignty today.

Jim is survived by his wife, Kara, and their children, Jackson, Kaitlyn and Michael; parents, Tony and Anne; sister, Andrea (Terry) Sanders; and brothers, Tony (Traci) and Tim (Lori).

A gathering to remember Jim's life was held April 9 at First Baptist Church of St. Paul.

Marvin Kotilinek

Marvin D. Kotilinek, 87, retired Ramsey County maintenance engineer, died May 4. He proudly served in the 10th Mountain Division in World War II.

He and his wife, Ardys, had been married for nearly 65 years. He is survived by Ardys; their sons, David (Fay) and Steven (Cherie), five grandchildren; three greatgrandchildren; and his sister, Loie (Joe) Vennewitz.

His funeral will be held May 29 at Como Park Lutheran Church.

Mary Ann Lauer

Mary Ann Lauer, 82, died April 14. She was a 1955 University of Minnesota Duluth graduate and taught in Ely, Cloquet, St. Louis Park, Falcon Heights and St. Paul elementary schools.

She was preceded in death by a son, Kevin, and brother, Jack Lambert. She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Florian; children, Sarah (Robert Fox), Sheila (Mark) Robinson, Maureen and Paul; and three grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated April 18 at the Church of St. Cecilia in St. Anthony Park, with interment at Holy Rosary Cemetery, Balsam Lake, Wis.

Eva Pearson

Eva Mildred Mykleby Pearson, 92, died April 20, at Johanna Shores Care Center in Arden Hills.

Born in Eldred, Minn., Eva graduated from the Northwest School of Agriculture at the Crookston Agricultural School, then attended the University of Minnesota and later graduated in 1956 with a degree in human ecology.

Eva and her husband, Mel, were married for 58 years. They lived in St. Anthony Park for 34 years, where they raised their four sons, before moving to Roseville. After Mel's death in 2000, Eva lived in a Luther Place condominium in St. Anthony Park for 10 years.

Eva was a lecturer and researcher on genealogy and the Viking kings. She researched and wrote a book on the history of the Viking kings, *They* Did Not Have Horns: The Viking Kings of Norway, along with a genealogical chart of the kings.

She was preceded in death by her husband; son, Roger; and brothers, Hillard and Ray Mykleby. She is survived by her sons, Michael (Gayl), Jerry (Dairine) and Harlan (Ginny); daughter-in-law, Carol; seven grandchildren; three greatgrandchildren; sister, Opal Hedberg, of St. Anthony Park; and brothers, Forrest, Don and Laurie Mykleby.

Her memorial service was held April 26 at St. Anthony Park Lutheran Church, with interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery.

Evelyn Rasmussen

Evelyn K. (Boyd) Rasmussen, 91, died May 3. Born in Hamburg, Iowa, Evelyn grew up in Glenwood, Iowa. She married Roy "Chip" Rasmussen, football coach at St. Paul Academy, in 1940 in Jordan, Minn. She was affectionately known as "Mrs. Coach" at the academy.

Evelyn was an active volunteer and member at St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church. Roy preceded her in death. She is survived by her two sons, Morgen (Asuncion) Boyd (Jeanne); grandchildren; and six greatgrandchildren.

Her funeral service was held May 11 at Mueller-Beiss Funeral Home in Roseville, with interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery.



Arlene Scheunemann

Arlene E. Scheunemann, 79, Como Park's "Zoo Mama," died on April 22. She lived in Roseville.

Scheunemann, who founded the Como Park Zoo's docent program and became matron of its adoption program, was known to bring a variety of animals into her home when she lived in the Como Park neighborhood. Over the years, Scheunemann and her husband, Joe, a retired St. Paul firefighter, adopted dozens of lions, tigers and cougars, a pair of bears, two gorillas, nine orangutans and a few foxes, according to a story in the Pioneer

Born Arlene Seorum and raised in Milaca, Minn., she was the eldest of 10 children. After graduating from high school, she moved to St. Paul

and worked as a secretary for Rayette Corp. After marrying Joe, she eventually quit her job to raise their children. It wasn't long before she began taking baby animals from Como Zoo into her home.

Scheunemann is survived by her husband of 59 years, Joe; children, Vicki, Terri, Joe and Scott (Kathy); two grandchildren; one greatgranddaughter; and siblings, John (Donna) Seorum, Norma Schaefer and Arnie Seorum.

Her memorial service was held April 29 at Como Park Lutheran Church, with interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery. A celebration of her life for family and friends was held at Como Park Zoo and Conservatory April 28.

Edith Shock

Edith Irene Shock, 88, of Deer River, Minn., died Feb. 26, at Homestead Nursing Home in Deer River.

Edith was born in rural Itasca County Nov. 3, 1924, to Eddie and Constance (Elmgren) Erickson. She graduated from Deer River High School in 1942 and completed nurses training at Bethesda Hospital in St. Paul. She worked at the Veterans Hospital, where she met her future husband while attending his father, who was a patient.

She married Charles F. Shock on May 12, 1951, in the chapel at Fort Snelling. They made their home in St. Anthony Park. Chuck and Edith retired in 1984 to a home they built northwest of Deer River.

Edith was preceded in death by her husband, Chuck, in 2006; sister, Ellyne (Floyd) Cates; and brothers,

Arnold (Marjorie), Clifton (Ann), Waldo (Irene) and Clarence. She is survived by her sister-in-law, Louise Erickson.

Her funeral service was held March 9 at Bethany Lutheran Church in Deer River, with interment at Olivet Cemetery.

Lloyd Wickstrom

Lloyd George Wickstrom, 93, died April 15, in Fergus Falls, Minn. He was born Feb. 20, 1920, in Minneapolis. On Oct. 9, 1947, he married Virginia Lensing. They made their home in Lauderdale.

Lloyd was a landscape architect, working for most of his career at Rose Hill Nursery. He was a member of Rose Hill Alliance Church. Lloyd enjoyed riding bike, fishing, canoeing and spending time outdoors.

Virginia preceded him in death in 2008. He is survived by several nieces and nephews. A graveside service will be held in the summer at Hillside Cemetery in Minneapolis.

John Lindkvist

John A. Lindkvist, 80, of Lauderdale, died May 6. John was a Marine and served in the Korean War, where he earned a Purple Heart. He owned JAL Standard Service Station in

He was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia. He is survived by his son, James Arvid Lindkvist, and a brother, Frank Lindkvist.

A memorial service was held May 13 at Corpus Christi Catholic Church in Roseville.

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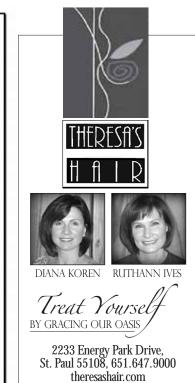
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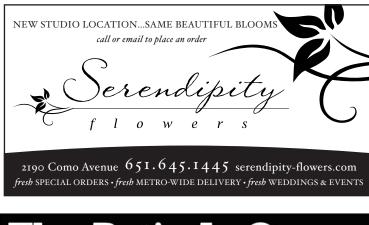
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Business News

Urban Growler second brewery to set up shop in south St. Anthony

By Kyle Mianulli

Another brewery will set up shop this fall in St. Anthony Park. Proprietors Jill Pavlak and Deb Loch have signed a lease for the 6,200-square-foot space at 2325 Endicott St. to serve as the future home of Urban Growler Brewing Co.

Located less than a mile from the coming light-rail station at University and Raymond avenues and only blocks from the University of Minnesota Transitway bike trail, the brewery will be easily accessible to the community, Loch said. The light-industrial area will also be easy for trucks to reach the business, as the space will eventually be a packaging and distribution center serving the greater Minnesota area.

With six to eight beers on tap and a small kitchen serving simple artisanal food that pairs with beer, Loch and Pavlak say they hope the space will be a community-gathering place. They are looking to connect people and communities beyond the taproom too.

"We hope that our brand instills the idea of community and how we are all connected," Loch said. "It's a social, community-based beverage and it usually brings about a lot of good feelings too."

A "Plough-to-Pint" series will be part of this community-oriented approach. Partnering Minnesota farms, Pavlak and Loch

plan to bring local farmers' ingredients and stories into the beer,

There are also plans to bring things even more local by tapping some of their customers—which they call "urban growers"—for ingredients. Initial talks with local communities that have urban gardens have been promising, Loch

In addition to traditional beer offerings like Urban Growler's IPA, which won a Minnesota State Fair blue ribbon, local ingredients like rhubarb and honey will find their way into some of the brewery's flavored beers like their spring rhubarb witbier.

Offering flavorful beer also plays to another of Urban Growler's goals—to make craft beer more approachable to women.

"We want to be appealing to women but not to the exclusion of men," Loch said.

Thinking women have been forgotten in an industry primarily geared toward men, the brewery is looking to a number of ways to bring female customers into the rapidly expanding craft beer fold.

From the look of the brand itself to the flavor and alcohol content of the beer, even simple things like offering half-pint sizes or having shorter tables that are more conducive to conversation in the taproom will help the brewery reach out to women, Loch said.

Located only steps away from the forthcoming Bang Brewing Co. at 2320 Capp Road, Urban Growler is joining a burgeoning brewery scene along the Central Corridor. Burning Brothers Brewing plans to open this summer at 1750 Thomas Ave. in the Hamline-Midway area to the east, and Surly Brewing Co.'s new multimillion-dollar mega brewery will be a short jaunt to the west, in the **Prospect** Minneapolis neighborhood.

Though the breweries might be in competition for beer drinkers' palettes, the destination effect that will come from the cluster of breweries will be mutually beneficial,

"I look at it sort of as Northeast [Minneapolis] was a while ago and how that area has just had a cluster of breweries, and they are packed,"

Urban Growler will be offering founding memberships to help raise money to get beer flowing. Though details are still developing, Pavlak said "our founding members will be near and dear to our hearts for a lifetime. And we will never let them forget it."

Kyle Mianulli is a freelance journalist and former editor of the Badger Herald at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Newell Park massage therapist follows in her father's footsteps

By Natalie Zett

Massage therapy's reputation as a luxurious self-indulgence is changing. As the population ages, many are taking a second look at its healing benefits and embracing massage as part of their health regimen.

Kari Fenelon was always ahead of that curve.

A Janesville, Minn., native, Fenelon grew up around bodywork and gravitated toward it as a profession.

"My dad was a massage

therapist before there was any kind of certification," she said. "He'd been an attorney, said the couple had trained by both a nurse and an talked about retiring and opening a aesthetician, who were family bed-and-breakfast. members, and he practiced massage therapy when he was in the Air

Her father eventually attended the Minneapolis School of Massage and Bodywork.

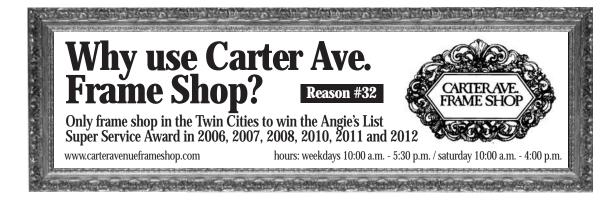
"At that time, it was the only legitimate place where someone could get certified," Fenelon said. "My dad was an expert at kinesiology. When people would come in with a chronic problem, he would ask them how they spent their days. If they were a nurse, he'd ask them to describe how they lifted a patient, for example. He was a true problem-solver."

Fenelon, a trained esthetician and massage therapist, owns Fenelon Sanctuary, a business started by her father. For years, it was located in a Grand Avenue storefront, but then Fenelon decided it was time for a change.

Fenelon's husband, Ray McCoy,

"Kari would do the massages and I would do the breakfasts," he said. Fenelon, however, suggested that McCoy learn massage. He agreed and became a certified massage therapist after graduating from Saint Paul College in 2004.

Retirement would have to wait while the two changed course and searched for a new location for the massage business. They found the perfect spot: an older home tucked away in a quiet neighborhood across from Newell Park. Fenelon Sanctuary, now at 1798 Hewitt Ave., was reborn and this home, which started as a diamond in the rough, has evolved into a healing space that's integrated into the neighborhood. That took intention, imagination, some artistry and lots of paint, Fenelon said. "We were up to four



Massage from 20

coats on the walls."

When visitors step into Fenelon Sanctuary, they are transported into another realm. There's nothing clinical about the space, although the aromatherapy gives the biggest clue that it's not an ordinary homestead. The walls are splashed with orange and some of the darker furniture provides a nice contrast. Overall, it's bright, open and hints at a Southwestern motif.

"I also have a background in theater and Fenelon is like a theater set; it's very modular," Fenelon said.

Fenelon Sanctuary also has something extra: a wheelchair ramp. "The previous owner's daughter was paraplegic," McCoy explained. Fenelon and McCoy kept the ramp, which is helpful for customers who use wheelchairs and walkers, Fenelon said.

"Kari has clients who have followed her for 20 years, and during that time, they've had things like

Business Briefs



CoCo, the spaniel, (with owner Kari Fenelon) provides her own kind of therapy at Fenelon Sanctuary.

replacements," said McCoy.

"A lot of people who are disabled simply don't do this [get massages] and they may need it the most. Among our existing clientele are persons who have a number of challenges. Some can't lie flat and knee replacements and hip have to be propped up, or they can't

Fenelon told the story of a client with vertigo. "She can't lie down," said Fenelon. "So I put the massage table against the wall and put big pillows all around her so I can massage her sitting up."

Although their treatment rooms are on the second floor with no elevator access, if a client can't use the stairs, "we just bring the massage table down from the second floor, move the furniture back, put the curtains up, and give them complete privacy," Fenelon said.

Another significant member of the Sanctuary's healing team is CoCo, a spaniel that Fenelon says offers her own kind of therapy.

"There are people who come here just to see her," said Fenelon. "There are times where CoCo's been at the beauty parlor or at a vet appointment and clients are really disappointed if she's not around. She greets people and seems to have a sense of where they are and what they

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Clients of all ages, shapes and sizes are welcome, Fenelon said.

"The bottom line is that we just deal with people as they are, and whatever condition or shape they're in. We can work with them, and

there hasn't yet been a problem that we've been unable to solve."

You can find out more at www.fenelonsanctuary.com.

Natalie Zett has been writing for the Bugle since the early 1990s. Her work has appeared in a number of Twin Cities publications.











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Smith founded the Northstar Initiative for Sustainable Enterprise and was instrumental in creating the Corporate Environmental Management track of the Environmental Sciences, Policy, and Management undergraduate major.

SimpleRay opens Midway office

SimpleRay, LLC, a company that sells and distributes a wide range of solar products, has opened an office in Wellington Management's Sewall Gear Building, 705 Raymond Ave.

SimpleRay's products include panels, kits, monitoring hardware, batteries and accessories. The items are used for personal or commercial purposes and in on-the-grid and offthe-grid settings.

Geoffrey Stenrick, SimpleRay owner, is excited about the new space's proximity to the Central Corridor light-rail line.

"Access to good public transportation is important to our energy-conscious customers," he new in my house," she said. Her said. "We're very pleased with our Raymond Avenue location."

Fraser expands on University Ave.

organization that offers services to children and adults with mental and physical disabilities, has moved into a 4.637-square-foot office Wellington Management's Court

The Court West Building houses a number of other nonprofit organizations, including Portico Healthnet, Accountability Minnesota, Beacon Interfaith Housing, the Trust for Public Land and the Charities Review Council.

Thistle opens in Milton Square

Thistle, a store that features vintage furniture, old treasures and quirky accessories has opened at 2228 Carter Ave., in the lower level of Milton Square in St. Anthony Park. Owner Heather O'Malley, a professional event stylist and planner, has a garage full of props and furniture leftover from the 15-plus years of planning fundraisers, weddings and charities.

O'Malley, who is also vice president of Milton Investments, uses paint, fabric, nails and glue to turn garage-sale bargains into prized possessions.

"I don't think I have one thing hunt for treasures dates back to Sunday drives with her then-small children and husband.

The store will be open four days Fraser, a widely known nonprofit a month. Its schedule for June is Thursday, May 30, noon-8 p.m., Friday, May 31, and Saturday, June 1, 10 a.m.- 5 p.m., and Sunday, June 2. noon-4 p.m.



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School News

Brimhall Elementary

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Brimhall Elementary sponsored a "March for Hunger" food drive in March to support the Roseville Area High School food shelf, which offers students who experience food insecurity a way to receive food and toiletries confidentially. Brimhall donated more than 1,200 items to support the efforts at the high school.

The school celebrated the donation drive with an all-school assembly in which each student carried a donated item into the gym and placed it in the center of the room. The Brimhall mascot, "Blaze" the Bengal tiger, made a special appearance.

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Summer games needed

The physical education department at Murray Junior High School is looking for donations of outside summer games such as ladder golf, bean bag toss and washer game.

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Spring sports results

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The school thanks everyone graders. The season got a slow start, but teams were able to complete games in May.

State History Day winners

At State History Day, Aaron Coggins took third place for his paper. Four students received honorable mentions: Jackson Kerr for his paper, Remi Bougie and Daniel Ellis for their exhibit board, and Abigail Moseman for her performance "Dakota War; it Turned Minnesotans' Lives Upside Down."

Upcoming events at Murray

The spring music concert will be held Thursday, May 23, at 7 p.m. in the auditorium.

The seventh-grade awards assembly will be held Friday, May 31, at noon, while the eighth-grade takes its annual trip to Valley Fair. Eighthgrade awards night is Thursday, June 6, at 7 p.m.

Como Park Senior High

740 Rose Ave., 651-293-8800 www.comosr.spps.org

National Merit contenders

Congratulations to the five juniors who met requirements to enter the 2014 National Merit Scholarship Program: Jacob Cohen, Jasmine Hyder, Zach Lee, Elliot Moormann and Stryker Thompson.

Debate team news

Three Como debaters, Yassin Ahmed, Troy Murphy and Ian Johnson, were asked to be part of the Minnesota Urban Debate League's first-ever public debate, the Mayors' Challenge: The Great Transportation Debate. This was a fundraising event with the St. Paul and Minneapolis mayors, as well as the state transportation commissioner.

Ahmed was selected as one of the four students to be involved in the public debate; Johnson and Murphy were invited to the breakfast as representatives of the league.

Ahmed was selected (from all debating juniors in Minneapolis and St. Paul high schools) for an Urban Debate League fellowship, which includes free summer debate camp and a four-week internship at a

prominent Minneapolis law firm.

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Athena Award winner

Abigail Smith is the Athena Award winner for Como Park High School.

She has played four years of varsity volleyball, hockey and softball while staying on the A Honor Roll with

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Brimhall Elementary's school mascot, Blaze, shows off the donations to the Roseville Area High School food shelf. Photo by Diane Kaphing



Garage sale was a success at Hmong College Prep Academy

The PTO at Hmong College Prep Academy, 1515 Brewster St., hosted a community garage sale on May 11. The sale, which organizers hope will become an annual event, had great attendance from community members, staff and families. The PTO raised more than \$700, which will be used to offset the cost of special events at the school.





A goat story—no kidding

Students at St. Anthony Park Elementary School discovered how to get the principal's goat, or rather how to get her a goat. After students surpassed the 270.000minute goal in the school's annual Read-a-thon—they read 470,000 minutes—and raised \$12,200, Principal Ann Johnson made good on her promise that she would milk a goat. Brad and Leanne Donnay of Donnay Farms near Kimball, Minn., brought three goats, an adult female named No. 97 and two kids, to the school on April 26. The whole school crowded into the gymnasium to learn about goats and watch Johnson milk No. 97. Donnay Farms is an organic farm that produces cheese from its Saanen goats. Photo by Kristal Leebrick

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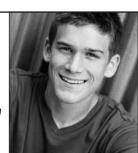
Celebrating friends & family

Happy high school graduation Cameron Causey

St. Anthony Park Elementary, Murray Junior High, St. Paul Academy '13, Davidson College '17

We will miss having you at home in St. Anthony Park. Love and kisses!!

Mom, Dad, Nate, Ben, Chester and Crosby





Congratulations Jack!

Onward to Lawrence University. We're proud of you!

Love from Mom, Dad, Tim and Augie

Our very own Class of 2013



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Congrats! Love, Mom, Dad and Ellie

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How do you get to Knoxville?

Love, sweat, tears and a little imagination

By Kristal Leebrick

Lawn mowing, dog walking and car washing will define the summer of 2013 for many members of five local Destination ImagiNation teams as they continue through the season to raise money to help pay for their trip to the global competition in Knoxville, May 22-25.

Three elementary school teams (two from St. Anthony Park and one from Chelsea Heights) and two Murray Junior High School teams placed first or second at the state-level competition on April 20 at Champlin Park High School, which competition. The students competed with 167 teams of elementary through high school students from across Minnesota.

Destination ImagiNation (DI) is a creative problem-solving program that offers students from kindergarten to college a chance to showcase skills in six categories: technical, scientific, fine arts, improvisational, structural and service learning. Each competing team of up to seven students chooses an area of interest from among six options and then solves challenges

sent them on to the international within that area—without the team managers are Wendell Fiona McKenna, Kelvin Nichols and assistance of adults or anyone who is not on their team. The top two teams from each area of interest and grade classification move on to the Global Finals, held every year at the University of Tennessee.

A team of sixth-graders from Chelsea Heights Elementary School placed first at the state tournament in the fine-arts challenge. The team, the Purple Platypi, won the Da Vinci Award at both the regional tournament in March and the state tournament for their skit about a man who loves eggs and decides to steal an ostrich egg at a zoo to make the world's biggest omelet. The Da Vinci Award is given to teams that show "exceptional creativity and problem solving." The award's traveling trophy will be on display at Chelsea Heights until the 2014 state DI tournament.

The Purple Platypi are Adekanmi, Kajsa Goodness Andersson, Zach Konkol, Theo Lucy, Mitchell McCann, Michael Smith and Grace Tienter. The adult Andersson, Maria Tice and Don Tienter.

If you found a May basket filled with flowers and chocolate at your door on May 1, thank the two Murray Junior High School seventhgrade teams—I'm With Gabe and the ad lib-a-llamas—who sold more than 300 baskets to passersby at Speedy Market the weekend before May Day and then hand-delivered the baskets to recipients. The flowers and chocolate were donated by Speedy Market.

I'm With Gabe placed first in the scientific challenge, which included wind energy research, a piece of kinetic art driven by wind and the appearance of an "invisible visitor" that set the plot to the skit in motion. Team members are Forrest Ahrens, Ellen Carlson, Grace Commers, Winnie Commers, Earl Eldridge, Gabriel Reynolds and Eleanor Wriedt. Team managers are Marga Miller and Phil Carlson.

Team ad lib-a-llama placed second in the improvisational challenge, which asks that a team use only white T-shirts, washable markers and team members to create all costumes, sets and props for a 5minute skit that the team creates at the tournament. The seventh-grade team includes Mia Gaertner, Elliott Hicks, Cara Husnik, Sydney Kranz,

Eli Pattison. The team managers are Ginger Kranz and Karen Larsen.

St. Anthony Park Elementary is sending the Mustached Penguins, managed by Anura Sirrius and Maja Beckstrom, and the Sinister Socks, managed by Jason Langer, to Knoxville.

The fifth-grade Penguins took first in the scientific challenge at the state tournament. Team members are fifth-graders Maasia Apet, Alistair Pattison, Amelia Schucker, Olivia Ahrens, Leandra Dahlke and Lily Gordon.

The sixth-grade Sinister Socks placed second in the service-learning challenge. The team created a project to address a community need and then create a movie that documented the project. The members of that team are Georgia Langer, Chloe Hansen, Jackson Rysavy, Jackson Lee, Lara Steen, Tommy Freberg and Katrina Sweet.

Chelsea Heights sent three teams to the state competition. Also competing were the Dream Team and the Discombobulated Ninjas. St. Anthony Park Elementary sent seven teams to the April tournament. Also competing were the Hoppity Hats, the Six Sizzling Skittles, the Flying Pickles Inc., When Bacon Flies and Speshul Nerdy Muppets of DI.

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Distinction. She will be attending St. Olaf College in the fall.

Millennium scholar

Naw Doh Doh is a Gates Millennium Scholar, which offers a full ride to a four-year college for highly qualified minority students.



On your mark, get set . . .

. . go play! And that's just what this crowd of Chelsea Heights Elementary School third-graders did on May 2, after Carter Oosterhouse, above (of HGTV and Carter's Kids), Rebuilding Together executive director Kathy Greiner and Principal Jill Gebeke cut the ribbon to a new playground at the school. Volunteers from Rebuilding Together, Lowe's and the neighborhood worked through the rain and snow to get the playground up for the May 2 celebration. The event was filled with dignitaries—including St. Paul City Council member Russ Stark, Congresswoman Betty McCollum and Minnesota Education Commissioner Brenda Casselius—but the real stars were the PTO officers and members, who spent four years fundraising and organizing to get the playground built. Photo by Kristal

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