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Boo!
Here is a list of spooky and not-so-spooky Halloween activities that are close to home

By Alex Lodner
Halloween is here, and with it, myriad fun events that will amuse everyone from the tiniest goblin to the most discerning theater buff.

One popular Halloween-themed event is in our own backyard. Each year, Como Park Zoo hosts ZooBoo, a whimsical festival that draws crowds from around the state. Guests wind through the lanes of the zoo while collecting treats, meeting more than 200 costumed characters and playing games.

You can catch the last two nights of ZooBoo from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24, and Sunday, Oct. 26. Tickets can be purchased for $6 in advance at www.comozooconservatory.org/support/zooobo/2 or at the gate for $7. All proceeds support Como Park, Zoo and Conservatory.

St. Anthony Park Elementary School, 2180 Knapp St., will hold its annual Fall Festival and Silent Auction from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24. Festivities will begin with a family-friendly Pumpkin Fun Run around Langford Park (check in at 4:45 p.m., run begins at 5:15 p.m.), then all are welcome to attend a community-building evening that will include live music, a pumpkin-carving contest, creative crafts, a silent auction and many more activities for the whole family.

Admission is free, but tickets may be purchased for activities, food and refreshments. All proceeds go to enrichment programs at the school.

Gibbs House museum welcomes one and all to Old Hallow(een) with 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25. Celebrate Halloween the way the pioneers did: make popcorn balls, hunt for pennies in a haystack, compete in costume contests and trick-or-treat at the farmhouse. Tickets are $8 for adults, $7 for seniors and $5 for children over 4. Find out more at www.rchs.com.

Hold on to your brooms, because BareBones Productions’ 21st Annual Halloween Outdoor Puppet Extravaganza at Hidden Falls Regional Park in St. Paul is explosive. The show, “Metamorphosoup,” promises to be “a spectacle pageant of larger-than-life puppetry, drama, stiltting, dance, fire, song and music that honors the circle of life by celebrating its seasonal arc of death in the fall,” according to the BareBones website. After the performance, the audience is invited to partake in refreshments served by Sisters’ Camelot, St. Anthony Park resident Anna Gambucci opened her front door on a late-October morning to find these two birds hanging out on her front steps. If the turkeys could talk, what would they be saying to each other? We welcome your photos of scenes from around the community. (We can’t guarantee publication in the print paper, but we can post them on our website, www.parkbugle.org, or on our Facebook page.) Send them to editor@parkbugle.org. Photo by Anna Gambucci

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Why do we vote for judges?
A look at the flip side of the ballot

By Judy Woodward
They are among the “other” races. They are the candidates who rarely have name recognition and hardly ever turn up in campaign literature.

Yet, if you work your way through the major federal and state races at the top of the ballot, you’ll find a long list of nonpartisan judicial races at the bottom.

Minnesota judicial candidates are overwhelmingly incumbents, judges who are usually running unopposed. This November there are 15 judicial elections to be decided in this district—so many that they take up nearly the entire back page of the ballot. Yet only two of those races— for Minnesota associate Supreme Court justices—have challengers’ names on the ballot.

Former Gov. Al Quie works with a group that warns of dark days ahead if Minnesota system of selecting judges—want to act to preserve government accountable to the will of the voters. Those in favor of the Minnesota system of selecting judges say it’s worked without problems for at least 150 years, but there are others who warn of dark days ahead if Minnesota doesn’t make some changes.

The proposed remedies vary. Some endorse moves to open the system to increased public involvement though political endorsements of judicial candidates. Others—including a blue-ribbon, bipartisan group of former legislators and judges—want to act to preserve the nonpartisan nature of Minnesota judiciary, shielding it from the kind of knock-down political brawls that have erupted in judicial races in states like Wisconsin.

In theory, any Minnesota over the age of 21 in possession of a state license to practice law and the $300 filing fee can run for judge. In practice, it doesn’t work anything like that.

Flip side of the ballot to 9
Como Park
The District 10 Como Community Council meets at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month at the Historic Snatterton Station, 1224 N. Leseing Parkway.

Annual Halloween Pancake Breakfast and Silent Auction
The District 10 Como Community Council will host its annual Halloween Pancake Breakfast and Silent Auction fundraiser 8:30-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 25, in the cafeteria at the Hubert H. Humphrey Job Corps’ Center, at the corner of Snelling and Arlington avenues.

The event will feature an all-you-can-eat breakfast, kids activity area, costume parade and silent auction featuring unique, local items. Tickets are $7 for adults and $4 for ages 3-12 and are available at the door. For more information, visit district10comopark.org.

Como Business Network
fall meeting set for Oct. 24
The Como Business Network, representing businesses located in or serving the Como Park neighborhood, will have its fall meeting and networking breakfast 7:30-9 a.m. Friday, Oct. 24, in the Bistro at the Hubert H. Humphrey Job Corps’ Center. Meet fellow business owners and representatives and enjoy an informative speaker. The cost is $35, payable at the door. RSVP to district10@district10comopark.org or call 651-644-3889.

Staff transition
District 10 is recruiting a new staff member to replace Ted Blank, who is leaving to serve as executive director of the Forest Lake Area Chamber of Commerce. During the transition, office hours will be reduced and there will be a delay in returning phone calls and emails. The district council members appreciate your patience during this time.

St. Paul Saints topic of next Sunday Speaker Series
“It Me Me Me Runs and Prst at Mday Stadium: The Legacy of the St. Paul Saints Baseball Team,” is the title of the October installment of the District 10 Como Community Council’s Sunday Speaker Series program at 1 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26, at the Historic Streetcar Station, 1224 N. Leseing Parkway.

The event is free, but donations are welcome.

Dale Street Task Force open house
Dale Street Task Force, a joint committee of the District 10 Como Community Council and District Planning, will host a community open house at 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23, at North Dale Rice Center, 1414 S. Arlington N. D. Rodriguez will join the committee co-chairs, learn how to be part of the task force, and share your thoughts, concerns and ideas about improving Dale Street.

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

Bring unwanted electronics to Falcon Heights TechDUMP
Bring your unwanted electronics to TechDUMP at Falcon Heights City Hall, 2077 Larpenteur Ave., 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1. You can drop off game consoles, cellphones, flat-panel monitors and TVs’ hard drives, laptops, laptops. CRT monitors and TVs will require a fee of $15-$50. Do not bring humidifiers, freezers, refrigerators, dishwashers, microwaves, water heaters, space heaters, washers or dryers.

The City of Falcon Heights needs five volunteers for this event. Bad bags will be given to the volunteers. Call 651-644-5050 for more information about volunteering.

Go to TechDUMP.org/Tri-City for more information about TechDUMP.

After-Thanksgiving yoga detox
Detox after Thanksgiving with a yoga workshop taught by Shaila Cunningham at Falcon Heights City Hall, 2077 Larpenteur Ave., 11 a.m.-1:15 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, in the community room at the city hall. Cost is $20. You can register online at www.falconheights.org.

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), 896 Cromwell Ave. The District Land Use Committee meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at SSA. The Energy Resilience Group generally meets at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. Email erg@sapcc.org to find out locations and dates. The Environment Committee meets at 7 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month at SSA. The Transportation Committee meets the first Monday of each month at SSA.

New staff member at District 12
The St. Anthony Park Community Council welcomes a new staff member, Cailin Rogers, who will work as the communications and outreach coordinator. Cailin comes with a commitment to the St. Anthony Park neighborhood from her years of volunteering at the Hampden Park Co-op. She is a Macalester College graduate with a degree in political science. Rogers has worked with the Minnesota Women’s Consortium, Transit for Livable Communities and Movel N. You can reach her at calin@sapcc.org.

Nominations open for St. Paul Neighborhood Honor Roll
The St. Anthony Park Community Council is looking for nominations to the St. Paul Neighborhood Honor Roll of people who should be recognized for their outstanding contributions to the neighborhood.

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Local groups win Knight Arts grants

By Kristal Lebrick

The vintage fire hose cabinet recessed into the exterior wall of the vacant storefront at 2399 University Ave. W. caught Shannon Forney's eye when she and Ty Barnett toured the building while looking for a home for WORKHORSE COFFEE BAR.

The coffee shop (which is spelled in all caps for aesthetic reasons, Forney said) is slated to open in the former Edge Coffee House space in January. And the 2-by-3-foot cabinet will host its first exhibit as the “Smallest Museum in St. Paul” in June, thanks to a $5,000 Knight Foundation grant.

The museum project is one of 42 winners in the Knight Foundation $1.4 million arts challenge that drew 868 entrants. Winners were announced in late September. Founded in 1950 by newspaper executives John S. and James L. Knight, the foundation is focusing on the 26 communities—including St. Paul—where the brothers owned papers. The Knights once owned the St. Paul Pioneer Press.

The foundation began its $8 million investment into the city in January by giving $3.5 million to five ZIP codes. The Knight, the foundation is focusing on the arts and supporting networks such as Facebook and Twitter, as well as through posters and postcards sent out in the 55114 ZIP code.

Several projects submitted by organizations or artists in the St. Anthony Park area won Knight grants. They include:

Photographer Alec Soth and Little Brown Mushroom, 856 Raymond Ave.: $35,000 to create “The Winemaking Workshop,” a mobile classroom where lensers are paired with artists to create multimedia stories.

Independent Filmmaker Project Minnesota, 2446 University Ave. W., Suite 100: $60,000 to help develop local screenwriters through a fellowship competition where all finalists receive mentoring and classes to improve their work.

Mina, a forum for Arab American film, literature and art, 2446 University Ave. W., Suite 115: $40,000 to introduce new audiences to Arab American Artistic expression by bringing local and national Arab writers and filmmakers to the city’s parks, art spaces and cafés.

The Bindery Projects, 708 Vandalia Ave.: $50,000 to ensure the city is part of the national discourse on contemporary art by showcasing prominent artists at this artist-run exhibition space.

Gibbs wraps up anniversary year with Halloween fun, fall festivities

By Kristal Lebrick

Gibbs Museum of Pioneer and Dakota Life will wrap up its 65th anniversary year with Gibbs Halloween on Saturday, Oct. 25. The Ramsey County museum, located at 2097 W. Larpenteur Ave., will give visitors a peek of Halloween celebrations of the past: making popcorn balls, finding pennies in the haystack, a costume contest, trick-or-treating at the Gibbs farmhouse and more.

Gibbs celebrated its anniversary year with a summertime Saturday series of talks that explored the farm’s amenities: the tpi, the animals, the gardens and restored prairie, and the “spooky” a log home with a prairie roof, as well as its regular annual events: Pioneer Sampler, Dakota Days Apple Festival and Gibbs Halloween.

Gibbs Farm Museum opened on Oct. 2, 1954, thanks to Ethel Hall Stewart, a St. Anthony Park resident who grew up on Bayless Avenue in the late 1800s. She married her childhood sweetheart, Clarence Stewart, and they made their home on Commonwealth Avenue.

Ethel Stewart is credited with being a hardworking historian for the area. She helped the Ramsey County Historical Society acquire the Gibbs farm, where Jane and Heman Gibbs established a home and farm in 1849. The museum’s farmhouse is the original house built by the Gibbs, which they moved into after living in a dugout sod house. The remains of that soddy were excavated and the museum built a replica sod house. Over the years, the museum has expanded to incorporate a Dakotan
L E T T E R S

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The deadline for the December issue is Wednesday, Nov. 5.

City of Roseville’s Alzheimer’s and dementia supports are open to all area residents

I was pleased to read Warren Wolfe’s article in the Oct. 14 Park Bugle about one man who is a dementia caregiver, the ACT on Alzheimer’s statewide collaboration, and the Oct. 21 Roseville ACT on Alzheimer’s community meeting. This important information is for many of our community members.

Wolfe’s article stated, “The Roseville ACT on Alzheimer’s project was launched by the Roseville Alzheimer’s and Dementia Community Action Team (Roseville A/D). As one of the founders of the Ramsey County Library to co-curate to convey additional information about ongoing efforts of Roseville A/D that are immediately beneficial to your readers, particularly caregivers and people with memory loss. Our most exciting and recent action is a collaboration between Roseville A/D and the City of Roseville to publish monthly updates about local dementia-related resources of the City of Roseville website. The homepage for these updates is www.cityofroseville.com/dementiainfo. The updates are useful to people in communities surrounding Roseville also, because all of the events and resources are open. The webpages are a combined effort of Roseville A/D members, Roseville city manager Pat Trudgeon, Renee L. Marriott, and our administrative support manager Gary Bowman.

Roseville A/D recently collaborated with the Ramsey County Library to create a dementia-related brain health presentations at the Roseville branch, which were facilitated by Ramsey County Commissioner Mary Jo McGuire, her assistant Melissa Jamrock, Ramsey County reference librarian Laura D. Modmott and a Roseville A/D member. The presentations were open to anyone, regardless of residence, and we all agree they are the beginning of a long and informative collaboration between Roseville A/D and the Ramsey County Library.

Roseville A/D’s earliest long-term accomplishment was the development of a caregiver survey that was administered to members of a dementia support group and resulted in immediate changes in programming and the stimulation of productive discussions. The survey is available to anyone. Send your request to Sara barsel@q.com.

Roseville has four memory cafés for caregivers and people with memory loss. For those who are the first Friday of each month, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the City of Roseville branch of the Library, on the second Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Roseville Senior Center, on the third Thursday at 6 p.m. at the Cherrywood Pointe Memory Café. The presentations were open to anyone, regardless of residence, and we all agree they are the beginning of a long and informative collaboration between Roseville A/D and the Ramsey County Library.

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Lloyd never complained about the complaints and said he’d do his best.

And though he didn’t manage everybody all the time, he did make a difference.

Sara Nielson has stepped in to take over the distribution of the Bugle. She has a lot of good ideas, and we are very happy to have her manage the Bugle’s delivery.

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If you have questions or requests about your delivery, call our production manager, Stephen D. Parker, at 612-839-8397 or send an email to editor@parkbugle.org.

We may not make you happy all the time, but we will try—Krisit Leblond.
**Correction:** Shopping on Como Avenue

Due to a production error, an article about shopping in the Carter and Como Avenue business district in St. Anthony Park, which was printed in the October issue of the Park Bugle, was missing a large segment of text. You can read the article “How to pay (almost) everything you need,” written by Judy Woodward, in its entirety on our website, www.parkbugle.org. We have also printed the text that was left out of the original article.

Back then, we were just "liking" them on Facebook.

The Como Park-Falcon Heights block nurse program serves residents bounded by Roselawn and Snelling avenues and the railroad tracks on the west and Larpenteur, Dale and Maryland avenues on the east. You can find out more at the website, www.comobnp.org or by calling 651-642-1127.

Now, for your help with a donation to support our continued work to serve our neighborhood seniors. Donations are tax deductible and accepted through secure site at www.comobnp.org or by sending a check to 1576 Huyett Ave. W., St. Paul, MN 55108.

Jody McCardle is the executive director of the Como Park-Falcon Heights Living at Home Block Nurse Program. You can find out more about the program at our www.comobnp.org or by "liking" them on Facebook.
Bugle writer Roger Bergerson was given an honorable mention for a story he wrote for the Ramsey County Historical Society’s Ramsey County History magazine.

Ramsey County History is the quarterly publication of the Ramsey County Historical Society. Awards were announced at the society’s annual meeting Oct. 16.

The article, “At Home and Abroad, St. Paul’s Own Impersonal Cut a Swath,” told the story of Nettie Snyder, a woman who built a reputation as the only female concert promoter in the city in the early part of the 20th century. She was credited with bringing the world’s opera stars to Minnesota in her day.

Bergerson also wrote about Snyder in the April 2012 issue of the Park Bugle. Bergerson began exploring the history of this area after he retired. In 2008, he published the book Winging It at a Country Crossroads, the story of the 1920s airport that once stood at Snelling and Larpenteur avenues, and began writing about historical people and events in the Como Park, Falcon Heights, Lauderdale, and St. Anthony Park area for the Bugle that same year.

Bergerson had been interested in history “at least as far back as fourth grade, when I was fascinated by the Spanish Conquistadors.” (He’s since found out that weren’t the great guys he had thought they were, he said.)

He has written longer pieces for Ramsey County History that describe the lives of “three remarkable people that have largely been forgotten or nobody knew about in the first place.” Take Nettie Snyder, the woman he wrote about in the article that was honored. “I stumbled onto her through the summer home that showed across from the airport and gradually came to know and admire a person who helped bring the stars of grand opera to St. Paul and foster an appreciation of serious music.”—Kristal Leebrick

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Adam Granger lives in St. Anthony Park with his wife and son and is a regular contributor to the Park Bugle.
A century ago, St. Anthony Park residents were up in arms over promoters’ plans for an elaborate amusement park near what is now the junction of Como Avenue and Highway 280.

At a mass meeting in August 1904 in the old Central Hall at Blake and Raymond avenues, there was unanimous support for a resolution objecting to “… an undesirable and questionable place of amusement in the immediate vicinity of the United Norwegian Lutheran Seminary, which was induced to relocate (here) partially because of its remoteness from such features.

“It would be also located in the same vicinity and on the same electric line as the state agricultural school, where hundreds of young men and women from rural homes are sent for their education,” it noted ominously.

Said one supporter, a “college professor,” according to the newspaper: “We have a quiet, orderly neighborhood and we wish to preserve it against the undesirable element that would be attracted.”

The clear suggestion was that con artists and purveyors of alcohol would flourish if such a park were built.

The early 20th century was the heyday of amusement parks across the United States, often developed by streetcar or “trolley” companies at the end of their lines to generate extra revenue, particularly on weekends and holidays.

Locally, the Twin City Rapid Transit Co. acquired and upgraded Wildwood Park on Whipple Beer Lake in 1899 and opened Big Island amusement park on Lake M in 1906.

The investors who wanted to build the Interurban Amusement Park in St. Paul didn’t own a trolley line, but knew it was essential that they situate their attraction near one at a time when car ownership was rare. Their initial focus was along University Avenue.

Emerging as the company’s spokesman was George S. Porter, said to have helped develop Ingersoll Park in Des Moines, Iowa, and reputed to be a “well-known fireworks expert in Des Moines, Iowa, and reputed to be a ‘well-known fireworks expert in Des Moines, Iowa, and reputed to be a well-known fireworks expert and manufacturer.’”

“All the joyous hilarity of gay Coney Island … will fall to the lot of young and old in Minneapolis and St. Paul next summer,” declared the Minneapolis Journal in October 1903. Initially planned for University and Fairview avenues, the park drew immediate opposition from nearby residents and the promoters shifted their focus to Snelling and University avenues.

But that site, too, was abandoned in early 1904 in the face of strenuous objections from H 参考文献
Gallery opens in Dow Building

When industrial supplier Fastenal vacated the storefront in the Dow Building, 2242 University Ave., Khanh Tran moved his frame shop out of a quiet corner of the building and into the space. He also expanded his business to include an art gallery.

Frame by Frame Dow Art Gallery and Picture Framing now features the work of many of the 30-plus artists who have studios in the building. Tran hopes to bring in more local artists and enlarge the space. His gallery formula is unique, he says. Instead of taking a commission from the sales of the art, he changes the artists a flat rate to display their work. When the art sells, the artist gets 100 percent of the sale.

Khanh Tran in his Frame by Frame gallery in the Dow Building on University Avenue. Photo by Kristal Leebrick

Tran has been framing art in the Dow Building for four years. He grew up in Apple Valley and began framing to make ends meet while attending college. He opened his first frame shop in the Seward neighborhood of Minnapolis in the late 1990s, then moved to Billings, Mont., where he operated a frame shop for four years before moving back to the Twin Cities in 2008.

With the Green Line running outside his gallery doors, he hopes the new transit system will bring people to this part of University Avenue to explore and to shop.

The gallery is open 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturdays. It will be open during the Do the Dow Fall Art Crawl Nov. 14-15. See the article below for more information on the art crawl.— Kristal Leebrick

Do the Dow on Nov. 14-15

You can still catch some fall color in November at the annual Do the Dow art crawl in the Dow Building, 2242 University Ave. Nearly 30 artists will open their studios 6-10 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14, and noon-6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15.

Work will include oil, acrylic, watercolor and encaustic painting, collage, printmaking, photography, stained glass, pottery, sculpture and drumming by the Woman's Drum Center.

Now in its year, a silent auction to help support CommU.SICation, a youth-development program based in the prominent University neighborhood of St. Paul. CommU.SICation's mission is to empower youth with lifelong skills through music making and community building. Two of their choral groups will perform Friday night at 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. in Khanh Tran's new Dow Art Gallery, where the silent auction will be held, and outside the second-floor elevators.

Enter the Dow Building through the gallery's front door on University Avenue.

The Woman's Drum Center will host drum circles throughout the Dow-night art crawl and drum circles and demos at noon-1 p.m. and 3-5 p.m. Saturday. Drumheart, the center's performance group, will host a public rehearsal 1-3 p.m. Saturday.

Do the Dow artists include Steve Wernicka, Jill Waterhouse, Norem Tyler, Karin Searle, Debra Ripp, Emmett Rasmust, Erik Pearson, Patty Paulus, Bettye Olson, Kedly Meister, Ann Many, Anne Labovitz, Laurie J. Johnson, Martha Kuzly, Anders H. Mikkelsen, Bart Galle, Gretchen Dreibost, Robert Delutri, Rush Donhowe, Don Dickenson, Maria Cuneo-Lindly, Ann Diegref, Anne De Carol, Joan Cox, Mikel Conroy, Kevin Cahill, Carolyn Brunelle and Ute Barthol.

The Dow Building is partially handicap accessible. There are some stairs at all entryways, but there is an elevator to access all floors in the building.

Open house at 2010 Artblock

A loosely knit cooperative of artists calling themselves 2010 Artblock will host an open house and sale at their studios in the General Mills Research Labs, 2010 E. Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis on Friday, Nov. 14, and noon-6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15. Two of the artists were longtime tenants in the Chittenden and Eastman building (now C&E Lofts) who were evicted when industrial supplier Fastenal vacated the storefront in the Dow Building for four years. He opened his first

Artists participating include glass artists Steve Claypatch and Nicole Fierce; printmakers Mike Elko and Fayehasow; potter Chuck Solberg; painter and sculptor Dan Ackerman; calligraphers Karen Bogan, Sandra Steiner and Roberta Mancuso; stained-glass artist Barbara Eckley; jewelers Heinz Brummel and Lily Carlson; leather artists Faye/Fisher Ward; fiber artists Linda Nelson Bryan, Melissa Leigh, Kellie Makow and Georgia Beckman; and painters Larry Rostad, Karyn Edelman, Mary Rannavae, Kate Rannavae, Linda Ayledal, Deb Lakiere and Rick Fournier.

An unlisted oil painting by St. Anthony Park resident Karlyn Edenman

Titanic, was likely to have been built in a space affectionately called "The Cell Block," now home to Foci, the Minnesota Center for Glass Arts.

The studios will be open noon-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, and 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22.

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On Tuesday Nov. 4, Minnesotans will head to the polls to elect a governor and lieutenant governor, a U.S. senator and representatives, a secretary of state, a state auditor and attorney general, and representatives to the state Supreme Court, the district courts and county conservation districts.

We've got most of the local elections covered in the following pages. Citizens in Lauderdale will cast their ballots for mayor and two city council seats. St. Paul voters will choose their state representatives, and Ramsey County residents will vote for county commissioners, a county sheriff and a county attorney. Read those candidates here.

To find out where to vote, how to register to vote, how to vote early or see a sample ballot for your area, go to the Minnesota Secretary of State website, mnvotes.info.sos.state.mn.us or call 651-296-2803 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

LAUDELADE CITY COUNCIL

Mayor
Incumbent: Jeff Dains, unopposed

City Council candidates:
Roxanne Grove (incumbent)
M ary Gaasch (incumbent)
Jeremy Carr

By Roger Bergerson

Lauderdale’s long-serving mayor is running for re-election unopposed on Nov. 4, while two incumbents and a political newcomer are vying for two city council seats. All residents vote at Lauderdale City Hall, 891 Walnut St., where polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Jeff Dains has been Lauderdale’s mayor since 1992 and before that served on the council for one term. He has been a field representative for the Association for State, County and Municipal Employees in Ramsey and Hennepin counties for nearly 20 years.

Roxanne Grove was first elected to the Lauderdale City Council in 2009 and says helping to pass the Larpette Avenue Pedestrian Improvement Project was one of her most important contributions. Since 1993, she has been a depression care manager for HealthPartners, a health-management organization.

Mary Gaasch is seeking a second term on the city council and is proud to have supported development of Skyview Park, new bonding sources of revenue for the city and improved pedestrian safety in the form of new sidewalks. She is active in the community, including volunteer service at her church.

Jeremy Carr is a first-time office seeker who works in business and product development at a start-up technology company. If elected, his priorities would include business development in the Larquette corridor and support for maintaining the quality of the city’s housing stock.

Flip side of the ballot

The vital step in determining who becomes a judge in Minnesota depends on the governor’s power to make interim appointments when a judge’s seat becomes vacant. When a judge dies or retires, the governor steps in to appoint a successor. In the case of the seven-member Minnesota State Supreme Court or the 19-member Court of Appeals, the governor has absolute power to appoint his or her own choice to replace a retiring judge. When filling an opening among the 289 district judges, the governor must choose from lists of candidates drawn up by the 49-member Minnesota Commission on Judicial Selection.

Once a judge is appointed, he or she must seek the approval of the electorate at regular intervals during general elections.

That’s what explains all those unopposed candidates for the Court of Appeals and district judgeships on the November ballot. By law, each of them must go before the voters in order to stay in office. Of course, every sitting judge has a line on the ballot listing him or her as “incumbent,” and although space is provided for write-in candidates, organized opposition is rare.

Of all the judges on this year’s ballot in the Twin Cities, only the two associate justices of the state’s highest court are facing opponents; and if historical precedence holds, their seats are safe. In 80 years, voters have never overturned the re-election of a sitting Minnesota Supreme Court judge.

The opponent of Associate Justice William H.车队 Minn (Mike) Wright is John Hancok. A diligent search failed to produce either a website or an email address for Hancok, and his online filing notice lists a Nebraska phone number.

The candidate facing Associate Justice David Lillehaug, M. Richelle L. McConaugh, has been in the headlines ever since it was revealed in June that the GOP-endorsed candidate had been arrested in 2013 on charges of drunken driving and resisting arrest. McConad’s September trial ended in acquittal on the drunken driving charge, but she was convicted of resisting arrest in the incident. Sentencing is scheduled for the week after Election Day.

M. McConaugh, the man at the top of the state GOP ticket, gubernatorial candidate Jeff Johnson, has announced that he no longer intends to vote for M. McConaugh.

As judicial races in other states have increasingly taken on a partisan tinge, Minnesota judges have remained largely above the political fray. That may change, according to some political observers. In 2010, the federal U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit struck down rules that traditionally barred Minnesota judges from soliciting campaign funds and political endorsements.

A new bill introduced by Rep. Tim Accola (DFL-Bonet) would allow judges to become involved in the political process.

The constitutional amendment proposed by the coalition was tabled this legislative session because it was unable to achieve the bipartisan support to fight its way out of committee. Will it be reintroduced? That depends in part, said Quie, on the results of November election.

Quie does his best to stay above the partisan struggle these days, but he allows himself one comment on the bitter polarization that has become a fact of so much of modern politics: “I have problems when people don’t do what’s best for the state instead of what’s best for their political party.”

Judy Woodward is a regular contributor to the Park Bugle.

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**RAMSEY COUNTY**

**Ramsey County District 3**
Incumbent: Janice Rettman  
Challenger: Girard Goder

Goder is challenging incumbent Janice Rettman for the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners. The district includes Falcon Heights and the Como Park and Midway neighborhoods.

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Incumbent: Toni Carter, unopposed

Carter was recently named co-chair of Gov. Mark Dayton’s statewide Task Force on Child Protection.

She said she is pleased that the county has maintained a triple-A credit rating and kept property taxes stable while maintaining services. In the area of transportation, Carter noted “the growth of affordable housing and jobs along the Green Line, especially during such a tough economic period,” and the renovation of Union Depot as a multimodal transportation hub.

Assuming she is re-elected, Carter said she intends to work on securing further funding for transportation, improve accountability for child welfare, continue to work on solving homelessness and “reduce the disproportionate present of people with mental health issues in our jails by finding or creating alternative resources or solutions.”

Finally, the county is still recovering from property tax fluctuations of the past decade, Rettman said. “We continue to work on returning property to the tax rolls.” She described the Ramsey County Reuse, Recycle and Renovate (4R) policy as “enormously successful” and expressed concern that critics might want to stop the program “without understanding the impact it is having.”

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**Ramsey County Attorney**
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His priorities are “to end chronic homelessness in Ramsey County, in step with many other major metropolitan areas,” he said. “I will support policies and programs that encourage small-business development and attract socially responsible businesses to Ramsey County. I will work to bring new and diverse jobs to the county, from entry-level blue collar to senior-level professional opportunities.”

He continued, “I will ensure the safety of our communities by supporting programs reducing crime and pollution. Lastly, I will hold county departments accountable and insist upon annual improvements in efficiency and service.”

Rettman has served on the county board since 1997. “We have championed living-wage jobs, the restoration of the tax base and environmental justice, which provides economic prosperity and combats concentrated areas of poverty,” she said.

Rettman said that if re-elected, she would advocate working with Washington and Dakota counties to address the future of the Totem Town youth facility, instead of with Hennepin County as recently proposed.

She would continue to improve veterans’ services, she said, especially to better address the needs of women returning home from their service in the military.

“The development of the Twin Cities Army Munition Plant in Arden Hills requires ‘vigilance and insistence’ that commitments to repay taxpayers are upheld and that living-wage jobs result from improvements to the property, she said.

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Carter said recent achievements of the county board include detention alternatives for youth, expansion of transit and transportation options and a new mental health center on University Avenue.

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House District 64A
Incumbent: Erin M Murphy
Challenger: Andrew Brown

University of St. Thomas student Andrew Brown (R) is challenging incumbent Erin M Murphy (DFL) to represent House District 64A.

Brown, who served as vice-chair of the College Republicans at the University of St. Thomas during the 2013-14 academic year, said his job at a funeral product manufacturing company has taught him “what hard work is like, and having to assume different roles.” He works “in both sales and as a welder” for the company, he said.

“As someone from outside of politics,” Brown said, “I bring private-sector efficiency.”

Brown chose to run for the House seat “to give the residents of St. Paul a new choice rather than the status quo.” He noted that DFL takes in both St. Thomas and Macalester College campuses and added, “Who better to run than a college student?”

If elected, Brown said he will “introduce legislation to reduce the tax burden on all Minnesotans.”

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House District 66B
Incumbent: John Lesch
Challenger: Erin Murphy

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Erin Murphy

Murphy is running for her fifth term in the House, having served as majority leader in the recent session. As majority leader, she was responsible for guiding the House budget through the drafts, hearings and negotiations necessary to finalize the document.

Under DFL leadership this past term, “we balanced the budget, and a balanced budget and a growing economy has yielded a surplus,” she said, adding that repaying school districts for previous accounting shifts, funding all-day kindergarten and early childhood education, and freezing tuition for higher education were also important achievements.

If re-elected, Murphy said she will propose extending Minnesota public universities’ tuition freeze to 2017 as part of the next budget.

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Lesch said an important personal accomplishment last term was passing a bill to regulate breeding of dogs and cats. He said he hopes the law, which requires licensing and inspection, “will reduce some of the animal cruelty.”

His party is proud of “taking a huge deficit and turning it into a surplus, and paying back schools,” he said, and “we implemented a tax law surplus, and paying back schools,” he said.

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House because of his concern about how the state spends money, he said.

“The state House of Representatives is in large part responsible for a lot of the spending bills,” Heyer said. “Being that Alice Hausman is chair of the bonding bill, she has maybe even more responsibility for spending.”

Hausman expressed satisfaction with a “remarkably successful year in 2014.”

One important accomplishment came in the area of housing, for which the legislature approved $100 million in bonding funds, she said.

She listed her work on the Bell Museum’s new home to be built off Larpenteur Avenue in Falcon Heights, state trails, higher education facilities, the Minnesota Historical Society’s Oliver H. Kelley Farm in Elk River and “a number of arts and cultural projects [that] were finally delivered” as achievements of the past session, during which she chaired the House Capital Investment Committee.

Alice Hausman

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If re-elected, Heyer said he would also like to introduce term limits. “Legislators attempt to leave their own legacy,” Heyer said, “and they have no desire to do that.”

And he wants to define terms for the Lessard-Simms Outdoor Heritage Council “to prevent the political parties from coming up with creative definitions to appropriate the money.”

Hausman said she hopes voters will hand DFL another session in the majority. If that happens, Hausman said, “Minnesotans can expect movement in an area that many felt was neglected last session: ‘a transportation bill to deal with the vast backlog of needs.’”

—Anne Holzman

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Venue information is listed at the end of the calendar. Send your events to calendar@parkbugle.org by Wednesday, Nov. 5, to be included in the December issue.

1 **SUNDAY**
Tour Korea: Learn about the Children's Home & LSS summer 2015 birth country travel experience for Korean adoptees and their families, CHLSS, 10:30 a.m.-noon.

1 **SUNDAY**
Baby/toddler lap-storytime (birth-2), every Thursday except Nov. 11, St. Anthony Park Library, 10:30-11 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.-noon.

2 **TUESDAY**
David Zimak, associate professor of humanities at the University of Wisconsin, will give a presentation on growing northern-adapted garden plants, St. Matthew's Episcopal Church Fellowship Hall, 7:30 p.m. Social time begins at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

5 **WEDNESDAY**
English Conversation Circles, every Wednesday, St. Anthony Park Library, 4 p.m.

5 **WEDNESDAY**
St. Anthony Park Book Club: “Think Like a Freak” by Steven D. Levitt, St. Anthony Park Library, 6:30-8 p.m.

7 **FRIDAY**
Preschool storytime (ages 3-5), every Friday, St. Anthony Park Library, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

8 **SATURDAY**
Adoption Fair: Meet adoptive families for parents whose adopted children are now adults themselves, St. Anthony Park Library, 6:30-7:45 p.m.

10 **MONDAY**
Do the Dow, artist studios open in the Dow Building, 2242 University Ave., 10-11 a.m. All are welcome.

10 **MONDAY**
Mothers of LSS: Foster care system, CHLSS, 6:30-8 p.m.

11 **TUESDAY**
Adoptees’ Voices: group for parents of adopted children, CHLSS, 6-8 p.m.

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Adoption information session, learn about adopting children who live in foster care, CHLSS, 10 a.m.-noon.

16 **SUNDAY**
Friendship Drum Circle, Preschool Mandarin Chinese storytime, St. Anthony Park Library, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

16 **SUNDAY**
Women’s Human Rights Film Series: “Not My Life,” presented by the Advocates for Human Rights and the Friends of the St. Paul Public Library, St. Anthony Park Library, 7-9 p.m.

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23 **SUNDAY**
Sunday Afternoon Book Club: “Ameri cana” by Chimananda Ngozi Adiche, Micawber’s Books, 2:30 p.m.

24 **MONDAY**
Fielder’s Corner Club, Falcon Heights City Hall, 1 p.m.

28 **FRIDAY**
Co-ed Drum Circle, Women’s Drum Center, 6:30 p.m. All levels of experience welcome; $10 at the door. Drums provided.

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- **Tuesday,** Noon-6 p.m.: Women’s Drum Center, 2242 University Ave.
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**VENUE INFORMATION**
- **Arbor Pointe Senior Apartments,** 635 St. Anthony Ave. W.
- **CHLSS: Children’s Home Society & Lutheran Social Services,** 1005 Eutaw St., 651-233-2393
- **Falcon Heights City Hall,** 2077 Larpenteur Ave., 651-644-5030
- **Falcon Heights Town Square Senior Apartments,** 1530 W. Larpenteur Ave.
- **Hamline United Methodist Church,** 1314 Englewood Ave.
- **Lauderdale City Hall,** 1891 Walnut St. 651-631-6300
- **Micawber’s Books,** 2238 Carter Ave. 651-645-5906
- **Spirit United Interfaith Chapel,** 3204 Como Ave. S.E., Minneapolis, 651-235-6645
- **St. Anthony Park Library,** 2245 Como Ave., 651-642-0411
- **St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church,** 2200 Hilde Ave., 651-693-8946
- **St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church,** 2136 Carter Ave.
- **Women’s Drum Center,** 2242 University Ave.
- **www.womensdrumcenter.org**

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**Ensemble Caprice brings ‘Salsa Baroque’ to Music in the Park**

The Schubert Club’s Music in the Park series will present Ensemble Caprice at 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, at St. Anthony Park United Church of Christ, 2129 Commonwealth Ave.

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A sign of good neighbors

By Kristal Leebrick

Kiki Gore calls the dead-end alley behind her house on Raymond Avenue St. Anthony Park “the best alley in the world.” The neighbors who share the alley call it “Kiki’s Alley.”

That moniker became official (somewhat) thanks to Maggie Fuller and Maddie Thompson, who created a red sign decorated with rainbow hearts declaring that the paved path connects that block’s residents to each other as Kiki’s Alley.

The story began at Colossal Café on Como Avenue, where Maggie, a fourth-grader at St. Anthony Park Elementary School, and her family took her dad, Tim Fuller, for a summer birthday celebration. At Colossal, customers order their food at the cash register and then are given signs to place on their tables so servers know where to bring the food. The signs look like street signs and bear the names of many of the streets in St. Anthony Park.

Maggie asked her mom, Rita Goodrich, if alleys had names. Her mom said she didn’t think so, then asked Maggie if she were to name the alley behind their house, what would it be.

“Kiki’s Alley, of course,” said the ruler of the alley, in the nicest way possible, “said M. addie Thompson, a sixth-grader at M. uney M. iddle School, who lives on the alley across from Gore.

The two girls teamed up, found a website where they could create a metal sign and went to work figuring out how to design it to reflect Gore’s personality.

“We didn’t want Kiki to know,” Maggie said, “so we pretended we were doing a math survey. We did a bar graph and asked her (about) her favorite color. She said red. We put in hearts and rainbows because Kiki loves people and she’s like a rainbow.”

“She’s like everything,” addie said, “and she’s so loving.”

The girls kept the sign a secret and presented it to Gore at what the two schemers told her was “just a regular potluck party.”

“I was blown away,” said Gore, who has known most of the children on that alley since they were infants. “This is just another example of how service oriented her neighbor kids are. She said, ‘They are always willing to help, even when they aren’t asked. If she sees her bringing groceries into the house or taking out her recycling, they run over to do the heavy lifting.’

Gore declined to be in the photo for this article because, she said, this story is about the girls not her.

“Boy, have they been raised by parents who understand service,” Gore said. “I happen to be the target because Kiki’s Alley,” she said, “but there are no vacancies.”—Kristal Leebrick

Photo by Kristal Leebrick

Maggie Fuller (left) and Maddie Thompson and the sign they created to honor their neighbor, Kiki Gore.

Holiday Shopping Guide 2014

Merchants:
I use the Park Bugle’s four-color Holiday Shopping Guide to help you sell your wares this season. The shopping guide is published in the December Bugle, which will hit the streets Nov. 18, right before Thanksgiving.

Ad blocks are sold first-come first-serve, so contact your sales representative now.

Contact Bradley Wolfe if you are a business on the north side of Como Avenue: 952-393-6814 or bradley.wolfe@parkbugle.org.

Contact Clare Caffrey if you are a business on the south side of Como Avenue: 651-270-5988 or clarecaffrey@parkbugle.org.

The space reservation deadline for the Shopping Guide is Wednesday, Nov. 5.

neighbors to 20
Popcorn for squirrels

My wife, Jean, pops popcorn for the squirrels. If she sees a squirrel looking up at the kitchen window, she says it’s saying, “Please make us some more popcorn.” So she pops a double batch and puts it in the yard under the bird feeders. (No salt, no butter.)

For many of us who feed birds, squirrels are our archenemies, our nemeses. Squirrels have nothing but time on their paws and an insatiable hunger. They’ll go out all day to try various routes and techniques to reach the goodies on any given feeder. They perseverate with a try-and-try-again technique, seeming to learn from each approach that fails. Several YouTube videos demonstrate this persistence and ingenuity.

There are a variety of defenses against these tree rodents. For my feeders that are mounted on a pole, I use a cone-shaped steel baffle around the pole about 5 feet off the ground. A squirrel will start climbing the pole, look up and see just the underside of the baffle—and it’s baffled. “Where did the feeder go?” Then it turns head down, and slides back down the pole. I thought about greasing the pole, but that would not be good for any bird that happened to get the gunk on its feathers.

In the winter, when snow piles up on the baffle, it often tips it just enough so that an enterprising squirrel can crawl onto the baffles snow pack, and get to the feeder. Then I use a double deterrent technique of knocking the snow off the baffle and spraying the pole with water. It freezes on contact and makes the pole slippery without being a water. It freezes on contact and makes the baffle—and it’s baffled. “Where did the feeder go?” Then it turns head down, and slides back down the pole. I thought about greasing the pole, but that would not be good for any bird that happened to get the gunk on its feathers.

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Paddy Shack opens at Half Time Rec

By Roger Bergerson

The Half Time Rec is taking a big step up from toaster oven pizza.

The new Paddy Shack at the Rec opened Oct. 20, adding food service to the popular south Como bar. Now customers can order warehouse and Irish pub-style dishes like fish and chips, macaroni and cheese, and even a lobster salad with wine.

Chef and co-owner of the upscale restaurant supplier, Jack Reibel, who will function as executive chef, said he developed Paddy Shack menu items in the test kitchens of U.S. Foods, a leading restaurant supplier.

“Ever since we bought this place five years ago, people would say, ‘We’ve had a great time, now we’re having a great time, but where’s the food?’” said Steve Mars, who co-owns the Half Time Rec with his brother, Scott.

The bar business is complicated enough, we couldn’t imagine trying to figure out how to start up a restaurant,” he added, explaining the decision to seek a partner who would set up and run the restaurant operation.

The brothers chose a St. Paul native with some pretty solid culinary credentials—Jack Reibel, most recently chef and co-owner of the upscale butcher and bar restaurant in downtown Mpls.

“Steve Mars knew Kevin Fitzgerald, one of Reibel’s partners at The Lexington, who had started the highly successful Smack Shack in downtown Mpls. and introduced food service to the 1029 Bar, a favorite Neighborhood Mpls. watering hole. The Mars brothers wanted to try a similar partnership at the Half Time Rec.

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“I wanted what we offer to be high-end, but not ‘cheffy,’” Reibel said. “Well, make it fresh and make it different. And we’re going to have the best fish and chips in the city.

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To learn more about Half Time Rec, visit their website at halftimerestaurant.com.

Business News

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Cynthia H. Scott was born on Sept. 20, 1925, in St. Paul and died peacefully in her home on Sept. 30, 2014, with her daughter and husband by her side. After a long and courageous battle with cancer, Cindy was at peace.

Cindy was preceded in death by her husband, Brian M. Awan, and two daughters, Mary and Britta Scott, who attended St. Anthony Park Elementary School. She is also survived by her parents, Ruth and David Hansen; four siblings; their spouses, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Cindy’s life was held at St. Mary’s Episcopal Church in St. Paul on Oct. 4. Memorial services will be held at the funeral home of Union Hill, Rainy River, and friend. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

Helen Peterson

Helen M. Peterson, 100, of Spring Valley, Wis., formerly of Arold Hills, Minn., died Oct. 10. She was predeceased in death by her husband, Wallace. She is survived by her sons, Richard (Sharon) and Robert (Lori), and grandchildren.

Lois Thorsen

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Lois was born and raised in Esmond, N.D. She attended Concordia College in Moorhead, Minn., where she sang in the choir. She graduated from the University of Minnesota with a bachelor’s degree in music and education and taught high school music.

Lives Lived

Marilyn Elliott

Marilyn L. Elliott, 87, died Sept. 30. She was preceded in death by her parents, Eric and Lillian Tenquist; husband, Quentin; and siblings, Marilyn, Marjorie, and Harriett.

Lois McTie

Lois L. McTie, 94, of Como Park, died peacefully Sept. 21 with her family by her side. She was preceded in death by her husband, James; son, Mark; and siblings, Richard, John, Pete, Betty, and Kay. She is survived by her children, Kathleen (Joel), Jim (Kathy), Mary and Peter, five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and sister, Margaret Neunfueter.

Carol Isaacson

Carol E. Isaacson, 84, formerly of Lauderdale, died Sept. 28. A loving outdoors, she enjoyed many outdoor activities, including fishing and bird watching. For many years she worked for the City of Lauderdale as deputy clerk. She also volunteered as chief election judge for her precinct and was president of her local chapter of the Audubon Society.

In retirement, she enjoyed spending summers at her lake home in Grand Marais, Wis., and winters in Sun City, Ariz.

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School News

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Avalon School

The December issue is Wednesday, Nov. 5. and schools in the area. The deadline for... 649-5495, est. 211, or kevin@avalonschool.org for more information.

M acheets to be performed
Avalon will present M aceh, directed by... 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21, and Saturday, Nov. 22. Interested in helping out with costumes, props or running lines? Contact Kevin Ward at 651-649-5495, est. 211, or kevin@avalonschool.org.

Avalon hosts two open houses
Avalon School open houses will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12, and T hursday, Dec. 12. More open houses will be held in January and February. Families are welcome to attend to learn more about Avalon’s project-based approach.

Chelsea Heights Elementary

Sky Zone fundraiser
Sky Zone Indoor Trampoline Park in St. Paul is hosting a fundraiser for Chelsea Heights PTO 5-8 p.m., T hursday, Oct. 2. Tickets are $9 and include 60 minutes of jump time. Visit skyzone.com/spaul to order tickets in advance and use promo code SPSC0210. Preorder is not required.

Como Park Senior High

Learn about Como at two events
Eight-graders and parents join Como Park Senior High School staff and students for two evenings in November. The school will host a cafe and cookie event at 6:30-7:30 p.m., T hursday, Nov. 10, at Sunrise Bank, 2300 Como Ave., St. Anthony Park. And on T uesday, Nov. 18, come to Como Park Senior High at 7 p.m. to learn about the school’s Advanced Placement and College in the Schools programs.

Fifty-six AP Scholars!
Results of the Advanced Placement test taken last spring are here and are the names of the students who did well on their tests. AP Scholars (students who have received scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams) are... 649-5495, ext. 211, or Ward at 651-649-5495, est. 211, or kevin@avalonschool.org for more information.

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goal is 200 pounds. Community... 7 p.m. to learn about the school’s Advanced Placement and College in the Schools programs.

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www.peacechurchelca.org Sunday worship: 10 a.m. Reconciliation of Christ Congregation All are welcome. Come as you are.

SPIRIT UNITED CHURCH
3204 Como Ave. S.E., Minneapolis, 612-387-3802, www.downtownunited.org Sundays 10:30 a.m. Worship service. Children’s Tree of Life Sunday School. Sunday, Nov. 16: Fall Festival Fundraiser at 4 p.m. Lunch, bake sale, Silent Auction, vendors, all welcome. All are welcome. Come as you are and an accessible church.

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A Reconciling Congregation. All are welcome. 2500 Como Ave., 651-646-4859 Pastor: Rev. Dr. J. Samuel Subramanian, Sunday, 11 a.m. Worship and Sunday School 11 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments 6:30 p.m. Free young adult dinner in parlor M ondays at 7 p.m. Community Bible study in parlor

ST. ANTHONY PARK LUTHERAN CHURCH
2323 Como Avenue, 651-645-0371 Staffed nursery available H andicap-accessible Pastor: M arch B. M cNabb and Pastor Jim Winkler Web, Facebook, & Twitter: SALTCH www.stanthonyparkchurch.orgmathrm.com Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. with education hour for all at 9:45 a.m. Wednesday: Community Dinner: 5:45 p.m. Free dinner.

ST. MATTHEW’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
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Twin Cities German Immersion
1031 Como Ave., 651-491-7102 www.tcgis.org. TC GIS students nail M CAs Twin Cities German Immersion School students performed well on the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment tests last spring. Ninety-four percent of the students who took the test at the school ranked proficient in math and 89 percent ranked proficient in reading. The school had the highest scores in both areas of any metro charter or public school, according to the listings in the Star Tribune, source.com/community/no-child.

To add your church to the directory, contact Bradley Wolfe at 952-393-6814 or bradley.wolfe@parkbugle.org.
Como cross-country team runs proud

By Eric Erickson

On a sparkling fall afternoon after a full day of classes, Como Park Senior High School's cross-country team headed out for an "easy" day of training. Forty runners—25 boys and 15 girls—headed out from Como's brand-new track, across Victoria Avenue and onto the path around Lake Como.

The runners kept a comfortable pace, discussing subjects ranging from AP Calculus class to the upcoming meets as they rounded the lake and headed across Loring Park. The run proceeded along the south side of the park and Como Zoo. This "easy" route would extend down Como Avenue past the state fairgrounds into St. Anthony Park.

Add the return along a meandering route back to school and the Cougars covered 8 miles. Tomorrow, they would take it to another level.

Como cross-country coach Tim Kersey, a St. Anthony Park native who grew up on Doswell Avenue, has a proven training regiment that his earnest runners know will maximize their potential. "Hard" workouts involve nearly 10 miles of overall distance, including a middle segment of repetitions that total three to four miles in total volume and are run at race pace.

The supportive and spirited bond of the team is nurtured at team events that include pasta carbo-loads, breakfasts at team members' homes, and Saturday morning runs and breakfasts at team members' homes. The captains made similar comments about how tight the team bond is. "Everyone on this team supports each other because we are all friends," Hankerson said.

Some have been friends since their elementary days at St. Anthony Park or Chelsea Heights elementary schools. Some of the friendships are newer, with Como cross-country as the origin. Regardless of history, the present season is full of spirit. Klein said, "We're always the loudest team at every meet. We cheer on all our runners. This has a lot of pride and effort." Kersey agreed. This group has "leaders by example when it comes to support, caring about one another and acting as team players," he said. "It is a privilege to meet with them at practice and see them perform at meets."

The cross-country season concludes with the state meet on Nov. 1 at St. Olaf College in Northfield. If Como qualifies runners as it has in previous seasons, you can bet there will be some loud and proud support from the Como Cougars down in Northfield.

Check back in next month's Bugle for an update on this team and a season summary of all Como and Murray fall sports teams.

Eric Erickson is a social studies teacher at Como Park Senior High School. He has coached a variety of school and youth sports teams in St. Paul over the last 20 years.
Classifieds

Send your ad to classifieds@parkbugle.org or P.O. Box 8126, St. Paul, MN 55108, or call Fariba Sanikhahram, 651-239-0321. Ads are $5 per line. Add a box or art for $10. Next deadline: Nov. 7.

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yoga (ages 6-11), beginning Nov. 7; ballet and creative movement (ages 3-5), beginning Nov. 5; and jazz, ballet, hip hop (ages 6-10), beginning Nov. 5; and tae kwon do (ages 6+), beginning the first of every month; and dinner with Santa and Mrs. Claus on Friday, Dec. 5, at Langford Recreation Center.

To find out times, costs and to register, go to www.stpaul.gov/parks, call 651-298-5813 and use a credit card, or visit Northwest Como Rec Center, 1515 Hamline Ave., 3-8 p.m. Monday-Thursday or 3-6 p.m. Friday.

SPPS Foundation seeks tutors

The St. Paul Public Schools Foundation has volunteer tutoring opportunities at a variety of community organizations, including Mid-Centroid. Oceanographic Institute on University Avenue and the St. Paul Public Library’s “Reading Together” program. Contact Taylor Clements, 651-325-4205 or taylor.clements@sppsfoundation.org.

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