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Four-story parking ramp to rise this fall at Shepard and Davern

US Bank, Park N Jet to benefit from 996 new spaces

by Jane McClure

The St. Paul Planning Commission approved a site plan and height and setback variances on September 11 to clear the way for a 996-space parking ramp for the River-Bank Business Center and Park N Jet facility in Highland Park. Construction of the four-level ramp will get under way this fall.

The ramp will be situated west of Davern Street and north of Shepard Road on what is now a surface parking lot. The lot, the former Unisys building and a parking area east of Davern were purchased by developer Jerry Trooien in December 1996 for \$4.375 million.

The 325,000-square-foot building has been renovated for office use and is now fully leased by US Bank and its 2,000 employees.

The new ramp's concrete finish will match the business center. About 600 spaces will be used by bank employees and the rest by Park N Jet, a business Trooien owns that provides off-site parking for those flying out of Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport. The surface lot currently has 1,150 parking spaces. The ramp will take up some of those spots, but will increase the number of off-street parking spaces to 1,900.

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Task force members suspect bias for bigger Ayd Mill Road

by Jane McClure

The decades-long debate over the future of Ayd Mill Road promises to get a lot more lively as the Ayd Mill Road Task Force begins its review of the environmental effects of more than half a dozen roadway alternatives. Details of the alternatives are contained in the recently published "pre-draft" of an Ayd Mill Road environmental impact statement (EIS).

Task force members had a little over a week to digest the 2-inch-thick document before meeting to view its contents on September 14, and some came away with the impression that the EIS was biased in favor of alternatives

that are likely to increase motorized traffic.

"In reading this I got the definite impression that I was being led, and I didn't like it," said Kate McGough. She and fellow task force representatives from the Macalester-Groveland neighborhood—Jane Jenkins and Doug Zang—submitted 146 comments on the first four chapters, which were the subject of last week's meeting. Chapters 5-15 will be reviewed at 7:00 p.m. Monday, September 28, at Concordia College's Gangelhoff Center.

"Sometimes we felt like we were reading fiction instead of a research project," Mc-

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Helping hands. With a big assist from her father, Frank, aspiring artist Becky Stever, 2, applies the finishing touches to her Mexican story box during the September 12 Art Flair on St. Clair sponsored by ArtScraps. Photo by Brad Stauffer.

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Victim reclaims former life one year after hit-and-run

by Niles Randolph

Despite being told that she might never walk again, Caileen Kromhout strolled into her chemistry class earlier this month at the University of St. Thomas.

It was just over a year ago when tragedy struck the now 20-year-old college sophomore. Kromhout was biking on Summit Avenue to her Summit Hill home from a philosophy class at St. Thomas. She reached the Ayd Mill Road bridge on her new Bianchi, but she never made it across.

Kromhout was taken to Regions Hospital where she was treated for a traumatic head injury that would have taken her life had she not been wearing a helmet. She was in a coma for three weeks.

It is still unknown what happened on the bridge that day, but it is suspected that she was the victim of a hit and run accident.

While in the hospital, Kromhout's ward was

swamped with visitors. Everyone from her kindergarten principal to the dean of St. Thomas showed up, though few were allowed to see her. Of those who did, Kromhout did

"It took tremendous effort to hold my head up and keep my eyes open as I sat propped up in my wheelchair. All I wanted to do was return to my bed, which of course was not an option."

— Caileen Kromhout

not recognize many of them; the accident had temporarily erased much of her memory.

Slowly, Kromhout began to reclaim her past, from remembering how to write her

name to relearning how to tie her shoes. Her family made posters with photographs of her, and she began to rediscover her former life.

Her physical therapy was arduous. "It took tremendous effort to hold my head up and keep my eyes open as I sat propped up in my wheelchair," she wrote last fall. "All I wanted to do was return to my bed, which of course was not an option if I wanted to get well. When I thought I had no more energy and was ready to give up, I would reach into my soul and God would be there to give me a hand."

Along with the physical hurdles came the psychological ones. "Doctors told me, 'You may never go to college. You might be only in grade school or high school,'" Kromhout said.

With the help of friends and family, Kromhout fought to prove the experts wrong. "I was surrounded by a stronghold of family and friends who pushed me to the limit and

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Public heard on light-rail transit plans

by Molly McBeath

The Metropolitan Council's Community Advisory Committee unveiled a new vision of public transportation earlier this month at a public meeting on the proposed Hiawatha Corridor light-rail transit line. The \$446 million line is expected to open in five years, connecting downtown Minneapolis to Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport and the Mall of America via 12.2 miles of track.

The meeting was part of the Metropolitan Council's effort to prepare an application for funding that will be submitted early next year to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Competition for the funds is fierce, with more than 100 communities vying for the federal money. However, committee members are confident that the Twin Cities' application will be approved. The proposal has already received a preliminary blessing from the FTA, according to Nacho Diaz, director of transportation planning for the Metro Council.

So far, the project has garnered \$10.5 million from the federal government and \$40 million from the state for planning. Another \$22 million in federal money may be allocated by Congress this month. That money, the extensive planning that has already been done and the right-of-way agreements in place along the route increase the likelihood that the application will be approved, Diaz said.

If the application is approved, the FTA will provide half of the money necessary to complete the light-rail line. Another 25 percent is expected to come from the state, and the rest from cities, counties and businesses.

The Hiawatha line is expected to carry about 24,000 riders a day. Trains would run every 10 minutes during peak hours. Each train would consist of three 90-foot cars, with each car capable of carrying 160 passengers—65 seated and 90 standing. Fare for the trains would be the same as for buses, and transfers would be allowed between the two.

"I'd really love it if this all happened," said Carol Austermann, who lives near Minnehaha Park and works at the airport. However, not everyone attending the meeting was as enthusiastic.

"My number one concern is parking," said Austermann's neighbor, Gordy Peterson, who worried that the proposed 46th Street station will turn his neighborhood into a giant park-and-ride lot. Only two of the 19 stations along the route are expected to provide off-street parking.

Other residents were concerned about the high cost of the project, train safety, the potential for crime and train noise. Many also were worried that the light-rail project would divert money from bus service and actually promote urban sprawl.

Metro Council chair Curt Johnson said that as part of its federal grant application, the council must insure that

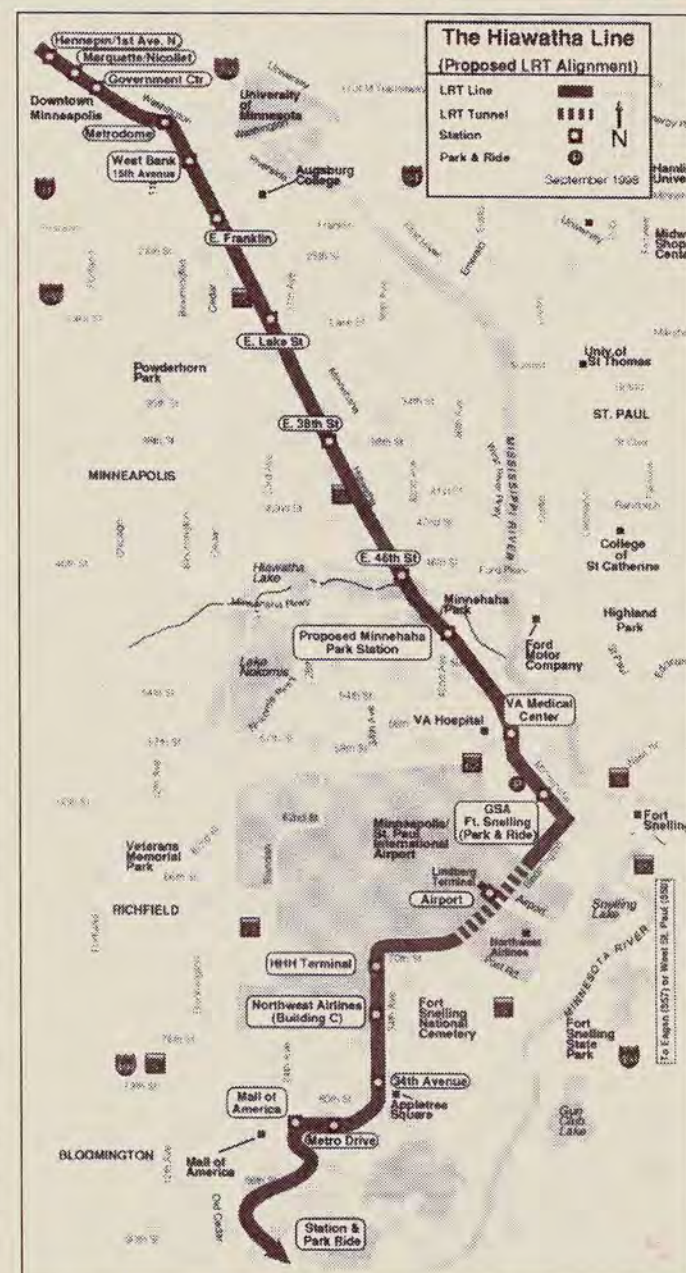
bus service will not suffer.

Regional planners envision the Hiawatha line as the first in a series of light-rail and commuter rail lines that will augment the bus system in the Twin Cities. A commuter rail line is now being considered between St. Cloud and Minneapolis, and another light-rail line that is being studied would connect the airport to downtown St. Paul via the so-called Riverview Corridor through the Highland Park and West 7th Street neighborhoods.

Several area residents were concerned about the effect the Hiawatha light-rail line would have on Minnehaha Park and historic Camp Coldwater nearby. Committee members said that an environmental impact statement completed a dozen years ago sufficiently addressed those concerns, but some local residents disagreed.

The Hiawatha line is not expected to pass near Camp Coldwater, but would branch off from the proposed rerouting of Hiawatha Avenue south of 50th Street and follow the current alignment of Highway 55 to Crosstown Highway 62 and beyond.

The Metropolitan Council will hold public workshops on Saturday, October 10, and Wednesday, November 18, to discuss the location and design of light-rail stations and adjacent parking and land-use issues. For information on meeting times and locations, call the Metropolitan Council at 651-602-1140.



The Hiawatha Corridor light-rail transit line as planned.

Ayd Mill task force members detect bias toward bigger roadway

Gough said.

The task force represents district councils, business associations and other groups in the neighborhoods surrounding Ayd Mill Road. When the task force completes its review of the reconstruction alternatives later this fall, the EIS will be forwarded to the St. Paul Planning Commission and City Council, at which time public comment will be sought.

The reconstruction alternatives include a four-lane roadway with a direct connection to I-35E on the south and an indirect connection to I-94 on the north; a two-lane roadway with a direct connection to I-35E and an indirect connection to I-94; a "no-build" option,

meaning keeping Ayd Mill Road as it is with no freeway connections; and replacing the roadway with a park.

Several task force members said the report was biased toward "build" alternatives, especially the four-lane roadway.

Merriam Park representative Chip Welling and Summit Hill representative John Siekmeier said that the two-lane alternative was portrayed unfavorably in a section on funding sources. The report stated that municipal state aid and the city's Capital Improvement Budget (CIB) could be tapped, but it also indicated that any state aid for a two-lane roadway may be questioned because it would not

accommodate projected traffic demands.

In other words, "the two-lane roadway is dead on arrival," Welling said.

Some task force members would like to see the existing truck ban on both Ayd Mill Road and the I-35E Parkway spelled out in the EIS. They also advocated a design for Ayd Mill Road that does not accommodate large trucks so that there is no chance of the ban ever being lifted.

"The consequences of trucks would be terrible," said Thomond O'Brien, who is serving on the task force as a representative of RIP-35E, the group that fought the construction of I-35E through St. Paul and helped draft the

1984 federal court decision that bans trucks on the I-35E Parkway.

City staff and consultants from Strgar-Roscoe-Fausch will review the task force's comments and amend the draft EIS before it is released to the public. However, not all requested changes will be adopted, according to task force co-chair Steve Gordon. Task force members asked to be able to review all changes before the draft EIS goes to the Planning Commission and City Council.

The alternative or alternatives selected by the City Council will be the subject of a more extensive EIS that could take several months to a year or more to complete.

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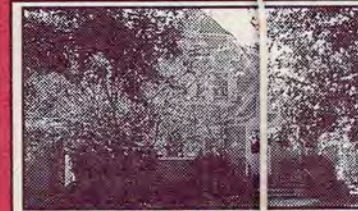
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Rising land costs dim hopes for housing in Shepard-Davern

by Jane McClure

Highland area residents sat down with city staff and Twin Cities real estate consultants earlier this month to discuss the effect that rapidly rising property values will have on redevelopment in the Shepard-Davern area.

A task force of neighbors, property owners and city staff is now in the process of creating a land-use plan for Shepard-Davern. The first draft of that plan is expected to be ready for review late this fall.

The plan will include suggestions for improving the West 7th Street commercial district and Shepard Road, providing a better connection between the neighborhood and the Mississippi River, connecting Edgumbe Road to Shepard Road and encouraging new

commercial and residential development.

Many residents had been hoping to redevelop much of the neighborhood with new housing, but the state Legislature's decision to expand rather than move Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport appears to have quashed those hopes. Airport expansion has already prompted Hertz, Alamo and Park N Jet to set up operations in the neighborhood. The Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) is still seeking a permanent location for other car rental companies that have lost space at the airport, and that makes many area residents nervous.

Considered most vulnerable to changes at the airport are the 50 single-family homes and duplexes and four apartment buildings located in the triangular area between West

7th Street and Shepard Road west of Davern Street. A majority of task force members would like to see the little neighborhood preserved, but that may not be feasible given rising property values.

"If we simply try to preserve the residential area west of Davern as it is, maybe we could do it for a time," said Ken Ford of the St. Paul Department of Planning and Economic Development. However, homeowners then run the risk of seeing some neighbors sell out to businesses and their own property values decline, he added.

Ford suggested identifying the area as a planned unit development (PUD), which creates a zoning overlay district to control future land use. The city, he said, could also work with residents to make sure their properties

are sold in an organized fashion over a period of several years.

Neighbor Laura DuBarry said she would like to see a mix of land uses in the area, including single-family homes. "But I'm not sure single-family housing can thrive in the area indefinitely," she said.

Neighbor Cliff Nash said he does not like the idea of hotels in the neighborhood. He questioned the impact that would have on the nearby residences.

Neighbor Chris Berg wondered whether the plan should be to "bulldoze everything east of Davern and do higher-density housing there."

The land-use plan is expected to include

Shepard-Davern/see next page

Parking ramp to rise/

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The Planning Commission approved the site plan without debate. The variances were more controversial. Trooien requested permission to build a ramp 42½ feet tall. The maximum height allowed in the Mississippi River corridor is 40 feet.

Some commissioners asked if the ramp could be built partially below grade, but Tom Beach of the city zoning staff said the area's underlying bedrock makes that impractical.

Commissioner Steve Gordon cast one of three votes against the height variance, saying he saw no compelling reason to justify approving it. He questioned why the ramp had to be large enough to serve both the River-Bank Business Center and Park N Jet. "You're just making an otherwise profitable parking ramp into a more profitable parking ramp," he said.

Commissioner Dick Nowlin, who also voted against the height variance, said he would be more comfortable supporting the project if he could see plans for the property that Trooien owns east of Davern. "It's very, very hard to review this without seeing the whole picture," Nowlin said.

The commission also approved a 50-foot setback variance, which will bring the ramp within 15 feet of the northern property line.

Trooien explained that the height and setback variances are driven in part by his desire to erect a second building east of the business center. Trooien said he is now in discussion with prospective tenants. The parking needs of the tenants could be met without the variances, but Park N Jet would then be displaced, he said.

The Planning Commission rejected arguments by the Highland District Council, Shepard-Davern area residents and Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to deny the variances. The DNR's concerns centered on the ramp's proximity to the Mississippi River bluff, its appearance and potential storm water runoff. DNR officials indicated they would like the ramp to not be visible from the river's opposite shore.

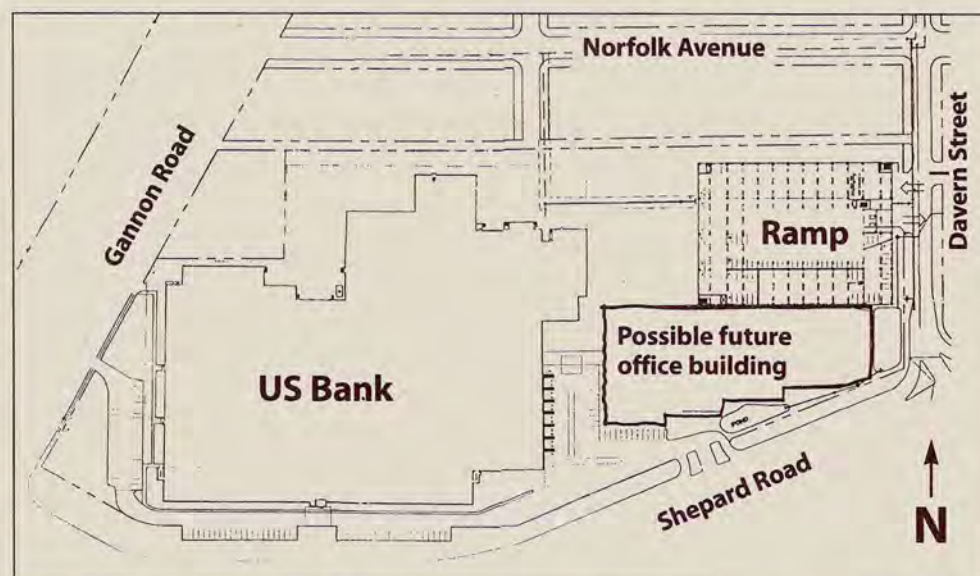
A Highland District Council committee recommended approval of the site plan in August, but not the two variances. The full council voted to oppose the variances on September 3. Most council members stated they did not see any hardship that warranted granting the requests.

"We know some sort of ramp will be built," said council member John Grzybek. "We're concerned about how it's going to be built."

Grzybek said district council members are not opposed to redevelopment of the Shepard-Davern area. However, he said there are fears about the precedent the variances could set for future projects.

"This is the one place in St. Paul where such a major redevelopment could be done," Trooien said. He said he sees the Shepard-Davern area as an extension of I-494 in Bloomington—an area of hotels, restaurants and other businesses that cater largely to airport travelers and visitors to the Mall of America.

Grzybek objected to that characterization. "This is not an extension of the 494 strip," he said. As the last open space in the Highland area, Grzybek said the land must be redeveloped



Construction will begin this fall on a four-level parking ramp at Shepard Road and Davern Street that will serve US Bank and the Park N Jet airport shuttle service.

oped with the neighborhood's needs in mind.

City staff had suggested only three levels of parking on the north end of the ramp to reduce the impact it would have on adjacent residences. However, Trooien said that would take away parking spaces, as would some commissioners' suggestions to build a lower and wider ramp.

Melvin Spiegler, who owns four apartment buildings immediately north of the ramp site, told the Planning Commission that he did not oppose the height variance. A lawsuit is pending, however, over the property between Spiegler's buildings and Trooien's land. That dispute may have an impact on the size of the setback.

"There may not be a 15-foot setback there," said Patrick McGuigan, Spiegler's attorney. "It

may be more like 8 feet."

Attorney James Lockhart, who represents Trooien and the Shepard Road Acquisitions Company, said Spiegler's garages encroach onto Trooien's property by 8 feet. The dispute will be heard in Ramsey County District Court.

Another parking ramp also may be in Shepard-Davern's future, Trooien told the Planning Commission. He is now negotiating with prospective hotels for the development of vacant land he owns east of Davern and north of Shepard Road. One of the hotels he is talking with is the Sheraton, which owns one of three hotels in an area of Bloomington that will be cleared to accommodate airport runway expansion.

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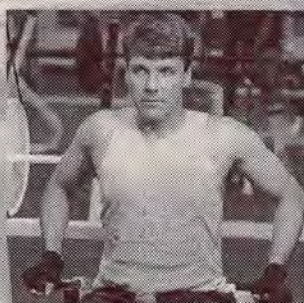
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Kromhout returns to UST /from page 1

didn't expect me to plateau," she said.

She received an "A" in her statistics course over the summer session at St. Thomas and is currently enrolled in three classes this fall. Kromhout still goes to a personal trainer and to a physical therapist, who kiddingly refers to her as his "most impatient patient."

"I'd say I want to run and he'd tell me, 'You have to walk first,'" she said with a laugh.

Kromhout also is back on a bike and is planning to race next summer with the St. Paul Bicycle Racing Club, which named her the Most Inspirational Rider of the Year in 1997. She credits Grand Performance bicycle shop owner Dan Casebeer with her speedy return to the bicycle. He visited her frequently in the hospital, gave her a bike stand so she could ride over the winter and continues to give her pointers on riding. Women of the bike club also would go on rides and stop at the hospital to visit her in full gear.

At the hospital in early August of last year, Kromhout spotted a man in a wheelchair who was waving excitedly at her. She thought it was just a friendly patient until he told her he was Michael Degnan, the philosophy professor whose class Kromhout had been taking before her accident two months earlier. He had fallen off a ladder in late July and was paralyzed from the waist down. The two convalesced together.

In addition to her physical and mental challenges, Kromhout had larger questions to wrestle with, for which she sought out the Reverend Andrew Cozzens of the Cathedral of St. Paul. "I wanted to know why this



Caileen Kromhout is back in the saddle—as an avid bicyclist and a St. Thomas student. Photo by Kristine Heykants.

happened to me," she said.

One answer came in a card she received. It read:

Caileen, you are an inspiration to me.

Your thoughtfulness toward others knows no bounds.

I am so thankful to God that I have been your teacher

and colleague in recovery.

With heartfelt thanks for your many acts of kindness, friendship and joy,

— Michael Degnan

"I found out why I had the accident," Kromhout said. "To be an inspiration to others."

Shepard-Davern /from previous page

recommendations for housing as well as commercial development. The housing may include higher-priced homes or townhomes for older couples whose children have moved away.

But any new housing in the area will only happen if the private sector is interested, Ford said. All the city can do is set up the PUD and assemble a large enough tract to make a major development feasible, he said.

Ford cautioned that rising land costs could well be a stumbling block. "We as the city have no way to buy very, very expensive land and make the costs work for housing development," he said.

Stuart Nolan, who in the 1980s developed more than 760 apartments, townhomes and condominiums in the neighborhood east of Davern Street, said he tried to interest other developers in the Hertz property at one time, but to no avail. Housing developers find the less expensive, undeveloped land in the suburbs more attractive than land in the city, he said.

For a housing developer to build competitively priced units, the land must be acquired at a reasonable cost, and that cost varies by the type of housing, according to consultant Steve Quam of Quam Sumnicht and Associates.

Hertz paid over \$4 million—or about \$10 a square foot—for its Shepard-Davern property. According to Quam, the most a developer would pay for land to build single-family homes is \$2 per square foot. The developer of two-story townhouses with eight to 10 units per acre might pay as much as \$2.30 per square foot, Quam said, and land for 2½-story apartment buildings with 20 to 30 units per acre could sell for as much as \$5.50 per square foot.

The only residential uses that are economically feasible in the Shepard-Davern area without a government subsidy are luxury high-rise apartments or condominiums, according to Quam. Office and hotel uses also could support land prices exceeding \$10 per square foot, he said.

Nolan cautioned that luxury housing would not be viable so close to the airport parking businesses. Carolyn Krall, a design consultant with AStudio, agreed.

Krall called the 550-unit Sibley Manor Apartments another "major drain" on the area. The proximity of the densely populated apartment complex, which is home to mostly low-income residents and recent immigrants, would discourage any upscale developments, she said.

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MICHAEL MISCHKE

An endless mud-wrestling match

The inevitable end to a seemingly endless summer is upon us, and while cool autumn temperatures return to the nation's Heartland, in the nation's Capital it's only the bell for Round 2 in a hot and seemingly endless mud-wrestling match. Only in this case there aren't any winners and the spectators are made to feel just as dirty as the wrestlers.

Your friendly neighborhood newspaper publisher had the luxury of spending nine idyllic days at the family's Wisconsin lake place during the extra-week break between this issue and last. Without newsprint, television or radio to distract from the therapeutic task of restoring the deck on the cabin, it came as startling news to learn upon returning to town just how deep the executive branch of our federal government had sunk.

It's inconceivable to me how Bill Clinton can carry out the duties he was sworn to perform in the aftermath of the scandal he has brought upon himself and the presidency. He no longer has the credibility nor moral authority to lead.

Impeachment or resignation, as painful as they might be to the nation, pale in comparison to the prospect of two more years of this stuff.

The handwriting on the wall

If it wasn't clear before, it certainly is now: The decision by the 1996 Minnesota Legislature to expand Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport rather than build a new one in southern Dakota County will continue to have unintended and far-reaching effects.

Take the Shepard-Davern neighborhood of Highland Park. Expansion at MSP has already brought three airport-related businesses—Hertz, Alamo and Park N Jet—to the area. In the past few weeks, Shepard-Davern neighbors learned that other displaced car rental agencies and a Bloomington hotel may soon follow suit. If and when that happens, the skids are greased for transforming what's left of a neighborhood of mostly single-family homes and apartments into an extension of the I-494 strip.

Neighbors who want to preserve and expand the residential character of Shepard-Davern learned on September 1 that rapidly rising land prices—fueled by the demand brought about by the airport's expansion—make housing the least likely option in any redevelopment scenario. Hertz paid \$10 a square foot for its property last year, or about 5 times what someone who wanted to build a home in that area would be willing to pay. That may be good news for any resident who wants to get out while the getting is good, but bad news for those who want to stay put.

The handwriting is on the wall. The only question now is how the transformation of the area will be managed.

On Wisconsin

Minnesota gubernatorial candidates Norm Coleman and Skip Humphrey haven't engaged in any head-to-head debates yet, but if I were one of the members of the panel putting questions to the two, I'd like to compare their reactions to the invitation and follow-up I received this month from Tommy Thompson, governor of Wisconsin.

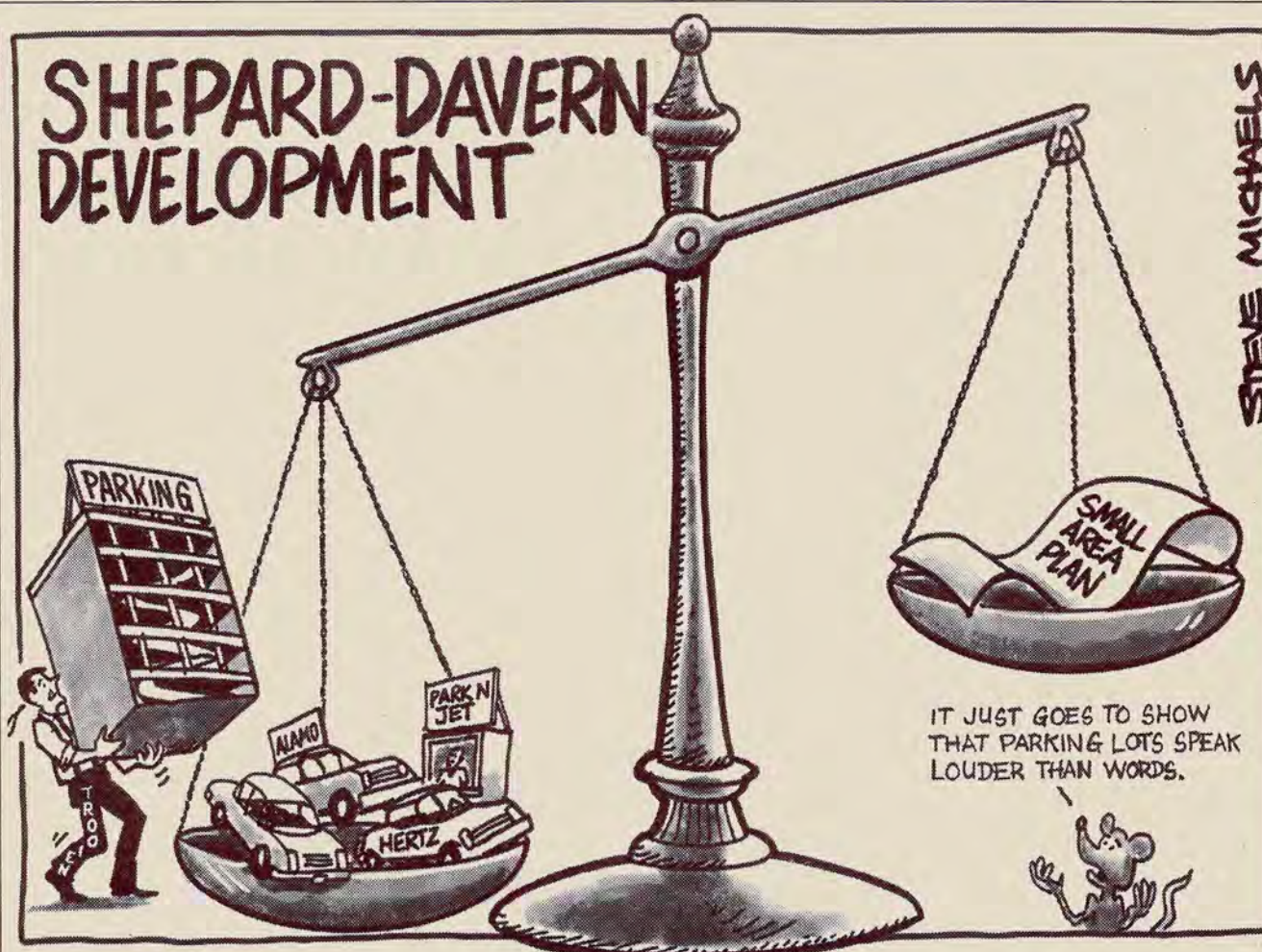
"In Wisconsin, we don't just talk about economic growth and prosperity, we make it happen!" he writes in asking me to welcome a member of his Economic Development Team to our office on October 14 or 15. According to Thompson, in Wisconsin a Minnesota business owner would realize:

- Savings of as much as 50 percent on commercial and industrial property taxes.
- Savings of as much as 25 percent on workers compensation rates.
- Savings of as much as 24 percent on corporate income taxes.

Even for relatively highly taxed Wisconsin, that's a tempting lure for any Minnesota business owner operating in an increasingly competitive marketplace.

Anyone, perhaps, but me. I declined the invitation.

SHEPARD-DAVERN DEVELOPMENT



Alley leaves no room for compromising safety

Dear editor,

Publisher Michael Mischke questions the importance of the difference between a 20-foot and a 24-foot width in an alley (*Villager*, September 2). The proposed alley would be one of two accesses to 10 townhomes near St. Clair Avenue and Lexington Parkway and would serve in lieu of normal street access.

Mischke appears to be questioning the need for engineering standards, or perhaps the value of engineering standards when compared to the value of economic gains, housing developments or political agendas. As a local resident and a professional engineer, I'd like to respond.

What difference can 4 feet make? That's a 20 percent increase. What's the difference between 65 and 78 mph? Some say hundreds of lives. Or the difference between a 10-foot depth at a runoff storage pond and a 12-foot depth? Perhaps a flooded intersection and hundreds of lives and properties threatened. Or the difference between a 14-foot bridge height and a 16-foot bridge height? I suppose that depends on if you're driving a 15-foot-high truck.

What difference can 4 feet make? According to the city of St. Paul's senior traffic engineer, a registered professional engineer with decades of experience, without it the proposed alley is "operationally unsafe" and will lead to an increase in "injury accidents." For an empirical analysis, you would be best off asking the first injured person. You could do this at the same time you are explaining the city's liability limits. (A St. Paul City Council member actually used that argument—there is a limit to the city's risk—when trying to justify a proposal that others deemed unsafe.)

Professional standards and professional ethics exist for a reason.

Pat Byrne
Summit Hill

Editor's note: Pat Byrne and his wife, Rachel Blank, of Summit Hill have filed suit against the city of St. Paul and Mendota Homes to block Mendota Homes' plans to build 10 townhomes on 3.3 acres of vacant land southwest of the corner of St. Clair Avenue and Lexington Parkway.

New president, promising future

Dear editor,

What better way to introduce our new president, Sister Andrea J. Lee, to the local community than with a feature story in the *Villager*? (September 2). The profile paints a wonderful portrait of this gifted and talented woman who

will lead St. Catherine, the largest Catholic women's college in the country, into the new millennium. However, it is necessary to clarify two things. Lee's foster son, Lahens St. Fleur, is 14 years old, not 13 as the story reported, and only 2 percent of college-bound high girls consider attending a private women's college, not private colleges in general.

Considering that we draw our students from this relatively small pool of applicants, St. Catherine is happy to announce a record high enrollment for the 1998-99 academic year. Our traditional undergraduate program shows 1,571 students registered, including 241 first-year students (up 44 from last year), 262 transfer students (up 32 from 1997-98) and 31 international students. St. Catherine's Weekend College, which is celebrating its 20th anniversary, reports the largest enrollment in its history this year with 745 students, including a record 232 incoming students. CSC's graduate programs also are strong with seven of our eight programs showing registrations above projections.

A new president and record enrollments—what an exciting year and a promising future for St. Catherine!

Maria Pantages, Director of Communications
College of St. Catherine

An Art Flair salute

To the editor:

The most amazing thing happens when kids, families and local businesses get together on a sunny September afternoon to make art and help the environment. It's called Art Flair on St. Clair, an outdoor art festival for kids and families held at Artscraps. We all had fun learning how to make art using recycled materials, painting cars and squares for a new mural at Sundberg's Pharmacy, and even marching in a plunger parade down St. Clair Avenue. This year we added a Friday night reception for young artists at the Nomad Gallery. We all agree this was our best year yet.

None of this would have been possible without the help of neighborhood volunteers and sponsors. We'd especially like to thank the *Villager*, Kelly Plumbing, Target, Ace Hardware, Whole Foods, Widmer's, Macalester College, Wet Paint, William Marvey Co., Barebones Puppet Productions, the St. Clair Broiler and Sundberg's. Dozens of neighborhood businesses too many to list also donated raffle prizes.

A special thanks to Crocus Hill artist Dan Bruggeman for donating a painting for the raffle and to Images Under Glass for the framing. Thanks also to Mark Wildenhaus' decorated

Sister Carolyn viewed service as a privilege—one she made the most of

by Sister Mary E. Kraft

Sister Carolyn Whittmann will be remembered as a great woman of the church. The news of her death on September 15 at age 90 spread quickly, and all who knew her felt a bit poorer because of it. Yet there is an accompanying sense of gratitude for having shared life with her. She was a part of the Merriam Park, Macalester-Groveland and Highland Park communities for nearly 70 years, and knew three and sometimes four generations of families.

What was there about Sister Carolyn that brought out the best in each person? We know that she had tremendous respect for everyone she met. Further, she never saw an individual as an isolated person, but as a member of a community. In her own words, "My ministry has allowed me to touch many lives and to learn from those lives the beauty of the body of Christ."

Her work in elementary education began in September 1926, three days after she joined the Sisters of St. Joseph, when she was asked to teach 4th grade at Nativity. After

taking time out for a two-year novitiate, Sister Carolyn returned to Nativity in 1929 and taught upper classes there until 1940, when she was assigned as an 8th-grade teacher and principal at St. Patrick's. In 1942, she returned to Nativity where she served as principal until 1958. She served as principal at St. Mark's from 1958 until her "retirement" in 1978.

There was a consistency to comments about Sister Carolyn from former students and their families. One was, "I saw Sister Carolyn today and she looks the same as she did 25 years ago." Others reflected her profound influence on a person's life: "She



Sister Carolyn Wittmann

made me feel loved in the eyes of God."

Sister Carolyn was an excellent educator. Faculty and staff who worked with her felt respected and valued. She gave constant attention to updating a school's curriculum. Her religion courses reflected the social teachings of the church, especially that of the dignity of each human being. A firm believer in the sacraments of the church, she encouraged and made possible Mass in English in the 1950s, years before the changes brought about by Vatican Council II. Above all, Sister Carolyn saw education as a partnership involving the family, the parish and the school.

When she retired as principal at St. Mark's, she moved quite naturally into parish work there. "This privilege puts me in contact with many parents, relatives and friends of former students," she said.

We will continue to thank God for the privilege of knowing Sister Carolyn.

Editor's note: Mary Kraft is a member of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. She serves as the communications director for the St. Paul Province.

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mirror and to all our volunteers. We couldn't have done it without you.

Katie Tuma, Melody Gilbert
and the Art Flair Committee

Fairview restriping is working

To the editor,

Thank you to the Macalester-Groveland Community Council, Ward 3 City Council member Mike Harris and Al Shetka of the St. Paul Department of Public Works for their assistance in restriping Fairview Avenue. The conversion to two lanes of traffic plus bike lanes has slowed traffic down and seems to have decreased the number of cars on the roadway. It has given us our neighborhood back.

Instead of being a throughway from Highway 5 to I-94, Fairview is a neighborhood street again. We're sure to notice a huge difference now that Nativity School children can cross Fairview safely instead of at their own risk. The bike lanes are also an improvement. The day the lanes were striped, we saw more bikes on Fairview than we've seen in the past five years.

Richard and Elaine Nelson
Macalester-Groveland

Responding to airplane noise

To the editor:

I have noticed an increase in editorials complaining about noise from airplanes. I have a few solutions for those who are unhappy.

First: You can move.

Second: When life gives you lemons, make lemonade.

Enjoy those massive steel birds and the technological wonders that they are. Can you imagine what the Wright brothers would think if they saw "their" plane today? I live in Highland Park and whenever a plane soars overhead, I pause in my conversation and feel the velocity of the man-made marvel as it powers over my apartment building.

Third: Consider life without Northwest Airlines. As we found out earlier this month, it isn't much fun. We experienced a lot of inconveniences. It makes you appreciate what you have, doesn't it?

Kristina Hoefer
Highland Park

High hopes at Highland Junior

To the editor:

We attended the open house earlier this month at Highland Park Junior High School. The principal, Gene Janicke, and his entire staff made each and every student feel extremely welcome. I must admit, my son and I were quite nervous about the big move to junior high. After speaking to many parents and faculty members, we discovered that lots of great things are happening at Highland Park Junior High and we're excited to be along for the ride.

Thank you, Mr. Janicke. I, along with many other parents, look forward to the next two years at Highland Junior High.

Pat Leseman
Highland Park

Neighbors who care

Dear editor,

We wanted to say thank you to the community for helping us when our bikes were stolen. We are glad that we got our bikes back. Also, we are glad that there are people who care

enough to go out of their way to assist us. Someone we don't even know drove around looking for our bikes even before the police arrived. We just wanted to let people know that there are generous people out there and we are very grateful.

Ian Griggs
Seth Numrich
Macalester-Groveland

Drew's good works live on

To the editor,

An article in the summer 1998 issue of the *St. Paul Curbsider* on the strong association between lawn chemicals and cancer called to mind the campaign of our late City Council member John Drew, who several years ago alerted St. Paul to this potential problem. Through his efforts, warning signs are now posted on lawns that are treated with chemicals.

Our thanks to John, a good friend of mine and, quite likely, of yours.

Ken Jefferson
Highland Park

A fitting tribute

Dear editor:

Thank you so much for the nice editorial you wrote on Monsignor Clarence Steiner (*Villager*, September 2). Dale Mischke did a great job of capturing the goodness and humility of this wonderful priest. It was a fitting and appropriate tribute.

Donn Eiden, Administrator
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Settlement allows stern-wheeler to dock at marina

by Jane McClure

The Magnolia Blossom, a 115-passenger stern-wheeler, will continue to call Watergate Marina home for the next five years under the terms of a legal settlement between owner Gene Cassidy and the city of St. Paul.

The settlement, which the St. Paul City Council approved on September 2, also allows Cassidy to dock a second charter boat, the ReJoyce, at Harriet Island for 15 years.

The settlement calls for Cassidy to pay the city \$2,400 a year to dock the ReJoyce at Harriet Island and \$2,500 a year to dock the Magnolia Blossom at Watergate. The city also must pay Cassidy \$25,000.

After the lawsuit was settled, Cassidy announced that he intends to sell the ReJoyce. "I'm 68 and it's time to slow down a bit," he said. Cassidy is considering keeping the 80-foot-long Magnolia Blossom. A third boat was sold a few years ago.

Cassidy owns River Boats Inc., a company that he began in his retirement. He bought the Magnolia Blossom in 1992 and the other boats in subsequent years.

For four years, Cassidy worked with St. Paul Parks and Recreation officials to find a place to dock the boats. He originally

wanted to be at Harriet Island, but city officials said there was no space for him there. Lambert's Landing was tried in 1993 and 1994, but physical changes to the landing made it impractical to use. He tried to use the St. Paul Yacht Club, but was asked to leave because of a lack of space. Use of Raspberry Island was ruled out because of the strong river currents there.

Parks and Recreation staff thought they had solved the problem when they moved the Magnolia Blossom to Watergate Marina, but the Highland District Council, Friends of the Mississippi River, some marina users and parks advocates all protested the decision. They claimed that a cruise boat operation would take away from the natural character of the marina and adjacent Crosby Farm Park.

The decision to move Cassidy to Watergate came on the heels of a contentious fight between the city and park advocates over the marina's expansion. Cassidy filed suit against the city and Parks and Recreation director Robert Piram in 1995 in U.S. District Court. Cassidy contended that the city was acting to protect the Padelford Packet Company, a competing charter boat firm that docks the Harriet Bishop, Anson

Northrop and Josiah Snelling at Harriet Island.

During the lawsuit, Cassidy continued to run charter cruises out of Watergate Marina. "Our business hasn't suffered at all," he said.

Assistant City Attorney Theodore Leon recommended that the City Council accept the settlement rather than go to trial. He noted that the city will receive financial benefits as a result of the settlement.

The council heard comments in opposition to the Harriet Island lease from St. Paul Yacht Club Commodore Neil Den Bleyker and Harriet Island marina resident David Engfer. They objected to the location of the ReJoyce, saying it would make access to the yacht club more difficult.

"To us, this represents an infringement on our lease," Den Bleyker said.

"Neither the Yacht Club nor the Harriet Island residents were informed of the decision," Engfer said. "There has been no opportunity for public input."

Tom Welna, who owns a floating bed and breakfast on Harriet Island, supported the lease. He said there will still be plenty of room for boats to navigate even with the ReJoyce docked there.



The Magnolia Blossom. Photo by Mike Long.

Approved levies should mean lower taxes for some St. Paulites

by Jane McClure

Ramsey County, the city of St. Paul and St. Paul school district officials recently announced their individual maximum property levies for next year. They will now meet on September 28 as the Joint Property Tax Advisory Committee to set a maximum joint levy as required by state law. Property owners will then have a clearer picture of the impact the levies will have on next year's tax bill.

Calculations thus far indicate that about one-fourth of St. Paul homeowners will see a property tax decrease in 1999. The owner of a median-priced home in St. Paul of \$76,100 can expect a 6 percent or \$62 decrease in property taxes next year. Individual property tax statements will vary depending on differences in home value.

This is the second straight year that the

school district has taken advantage of increased state aid to reduce its levy. The city is holding its own, while the county is increasing its levy. Following is an overview of the three levies:

- The St. Paul City Council voted on September 9 to set a maximum 1999 levy of \$63.8 million to support a \$485.5 million budget. The proposed levy is the same as in 1998. It is Mayor Norm Coleman's first budget since 1994 that does not trim the property tax levy from the previous year.

- The budget proposal contains no major changes or new programs. It does make several cuts totaling \$1.4 million and trims about a dozen positions. In addition, Coleman is pushing for a merger of the police and fire department communications centers by the end of next year.

- The St. Paul School Board voted on Sep-

tember 14 to set a maximum 1999 levy of \$106.1 million to support a \$442 million budget. The proposed levy is a 3.6 percent reduction from this year's amount. Increased state aid for schools has made it possible for the School Board to reduce the levy without having to trim school programs and services. About 60 percent of school district funding is from the state.

- The Ramsey County Board voted on September 15 to set a maximum 1999 levy of \$163.8 million to support a \$416 million budget. The proposed levy is a 3.6 percent increase over this year's amount.

Commissioners Dino Guerin and Janice Rettman had sought no levy increase, but could not get the other commissioners to go along. Without the levy increase, the county would have had to cut \$6.2 million from its budget for 1999, said county manager Terry

Schutten. Guerin suggested covering the shortfall with funds from county reserves, but other commissioners rejected that idea.

According to Schutten, the county's 1999 budget contains no major new programs or changes in services. The levy increase is due in part to growing public safety and criminal justice needs, according to Commissioner Victoria Reinhardt.

The City Council, County Board and School Board were required to set their maximum levies by September 15, but will not approve their actual levies for 1999 until later this year. Under state law, they may cut but cannot increase the property tax levies before year's end.

St. Paul property owners will receive their taxation notices in November. A joint truth-in-taxation public hearing will be held on December 8.

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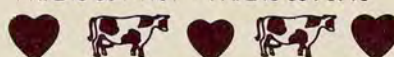
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Neighbors ask Subway to address noise, litter problem

The Macalester-Groveland Community Council is calling for changes in the operation of the parking lot behind the Subway sandwich shop at 1820 Grand Ave.

Neighborhood residents met with Subway representatives in September to discuss their concerns about excessive noise, litter, speeding cars and what they described as "loud and indecent behavior" in the Subway parking lot and the alley behind it. Some of the problems occur in the late night and early morning hours, prompting neighbors to ask that Subway close earlier. The restaurant closes at midnight Sunday through Wednesday and at 2:00 a.m. Thursday through Saturday. But Subway owners Jeff and Jackie Lunde said that the late-night hours are popular with local college students and residents.

The Lundes have taken steps to increase trash cleanup, but noted that not all of the trash in the lot and alley is from Subway. The lot is shared with four second-floor apartments and five other businesses.

The Macalester-Groveland Community Council voted unanimously to ask the city to install a left-turn only sign where the parking lot exits to the alley, directing traffic toward Fairview Avenue. The council also recommended that Subway or Abbott Paint, which owns the parking lot, install trash receptacles at the rear of the store and parking lot, pick up litter twice a day, install lighting in the parking lot, replace parking lot signs along Fairview, and consider installing a fence between the parking lot and alley.

The community council will revisit the issue in November. If the problems continue, the council indicated that it may ask the City Council to impose new conditions on Subway's operating licenses.

Business rezoning opposed for Grand Avenue house

A request to rezone the house at 1488 Grand Ave. from residential to business use was unanimously rejected by the St. Paul

Planning Commission September 11.

The property is zoned RM-2. Don Frable and Steve Winover had sought to rezone it B2-C, which allows business use but retains the residential character. The partners intended to then sell the property for use as an insurance office with a residence on the second floor.

City staff recommended against the rezoning, saying it is inconsistent with local land use plans and represented spot rezoning, which the Planning Commission has historically opposed.

The commission received half a dozen letters opposing the rezoning. The Macalester-Groveland Community Council did not take a position on the rezoning request because it did not meet in August.

Fire-damaged Groveland Tap plans January 1 reopening

Owners of the Groveland Tap are hoping to ring in the new year with a newly renovated bar and restaurant.

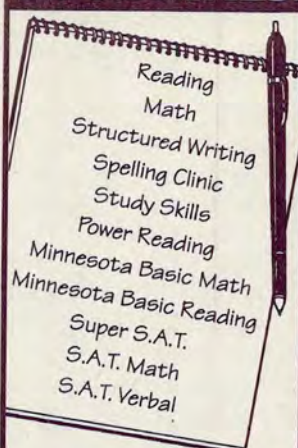
The 70-year-old establishment at 1834 St. Clair Ave.—previously known as Fabian's, the King & I and B.B. Dixon's—was gutted by fire August 12. The 3.2 establishment had been purchased and renamed earlier this summer by David and Stephanie Burley of Macalester-Groveland and three partners.

The St. Paul Fire Department determined that the blaze began in an electrical conduit on the outside of the building and may have been sparked by a power surge. No one was injured in the fire, though the adjacent Bright Start child care center had to be evacuated and neighboring businesses were temporarily closed due to smoke damage.

The Groveland Tap remains boarded up as the insurance companies continue their work, David Burley said. A final damage estimate is not yet available. Kitchen equipment, a television set and other property was destroyed. However, the wooden bar which dates from the establishment's days as Fabian's can be saved.

News Briefly was compiled by Jane McClure.

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Contentious River Blvd. task force forwards its report to city

by Jane McClure

The Mississippi River Boulevard Task Force's final report is now en route to the St. Paul City Council after winning approval from the St. Paul Parks and Recreation Commission on a 7-1 vote on September 9.

Parks and Recreation Commissioner John O'Halloran of Highland Park cast the lone vote against the report. He objected to a recommendation that the combined pedestrian-bicycle path on the river side of the boulevard be sealcoated with brown pebbles.

"I have to speak for all of the Rollerbladers of the world," O'Halloran said. "There are a lot of us out there."

The task force recommended that city staff seek funding to sealcoat the combined path, possibly through the city's 2000-2001 Capital Improvement Budget. Task force member Paul Heinerscheid said residents prefer the

more rustic brown pebbles instead of the current black asphalt. That recommendation may not make it into the final report, however, because it is contrary to city policy. The city has discontinued sealcoating bicycle paths because of complaints from in-line skaters, said Parks and Recreation superintendent Robert Piram. The tiny pebbles used in sealcoating make the path too bumpy.

"With an 8 mph speed limit, it's pretty slow in-line skating (on the path) already," said task force co-chair Terry Huntrods.

Regardless of how the path is repaved, it does need work since the portion south of Marshall Avenue is deteriorating in places.

When the report goes to the City Council later this fall, it will mark an end to several years of debate over the southbound bicycle lane that was painted on Mississippi River Boulevard last fall. The motor vehicle speed limit was lowered at that time to 25 mph.

The bicycle lane was sought by many bicyclists, walkers and joggers who contended that the shared path west of the street was too congested. Many neighborhood residents fought the bicycle lane, arguing that it would not improve public safety and would bring too many people to the neighborhood.

The task force was created by the city when the bike lane was approved. The group met from November 1997 to August 1998 to hammer out recommendations on street and combined path signs, public education, law enforcement and design issues.

"As you can imagine, with two disparate points of view, we had some interesting meetings," said task force co-chair Liz Anderson. She said the strongest agreement among task force members was regarding the 25 mph speed limit.

Although she expressed appreciation for the task force's work, Parks and Recreation

Commission chair Jill Danner criticized some boulevard residents whose front yards include part of the street right-of-way. For several years, the commission has argued that the boulevard should be widened to accommodate motorists, bicyclists, pedestrians and other users.

"We've worked very hard to make that argument," Danner said, "but we got shot down at every level."

Wrangling over the bike lane continued until the task force adjourned. In fact, at its last meeting there was an unsuccessful attempt to remove the on-street bicycle lane.

The group agreed that multiple uses of the limited space along the boulevard create a variety of safety issues, which may be reduced but cannot be eliminated. "In the final analysis," the report stated, "the safe use of Mississippi River Boulevard depends on the responsible conduct of each and every user."

River Blvd. task force's recommendations address safety and aesthetics

The final report of the Mississippi River Boulevard Task Force included the following recommendations:

Signage

(These have been implemented)

- The number of speed limit signs be limited to 13 in each direction.
- Speed limit signs be placed primarily between major intersections.
- "No Parking" signs be reduced to the minimum needed.
- Eleven bicycle route signs be located near major intersections.
- Signs directing truck traffic near the Ford Plant be placed on and near the plant.
- Combined path signs be alternately posted with signs reading "Speed Limit 8

mph," "Bicyclists Yield to Pedestrians" and "Give Audible Warning when Passing."

- That at least one of the 8 mph speed limit signs be placed on the path between Summit Avenue and the Temple of Aaron.

- No information kiosks be placed along the combined path.

Law enforcement

(These have been implemented)

- Explore ways to monitor and enforce bicycle speed limits on the combined path.
- Continue to enforce the 25 mph speed limit on the street.

Education and communication

(Most of these have been implemented)

- Explore the possibility of getting news-

papers to publish bicycle safety information.

- Have the police educate the public about traffic laws and safety rules when they patrol Mississippi River Boulevard.

- Update St. Paul's "Bike, Hike and Jog" flier to include information about the safe use of combined paths.

Specific design-related problems

(These have not been implemented)

- Request funds for a major renovation of the combined path, including the use of brown sealcoating.
- Remove the left-turn lanes from the intersection of Mississippi River Boulevard and Marshall Avenue.
- Incorporate the on-street bicycle lane along Mississippi River Boulevard in the re-

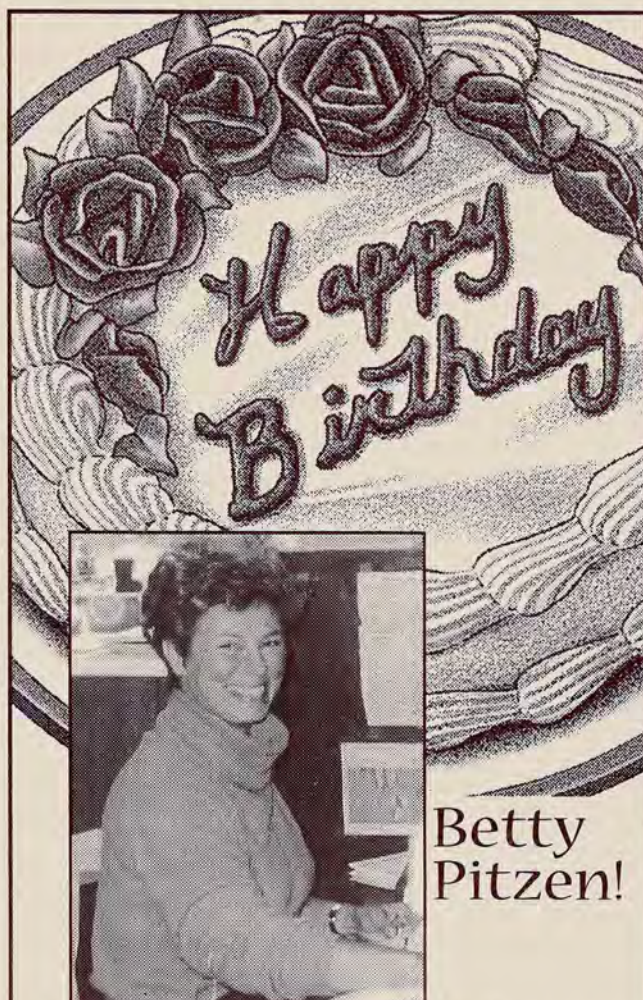
design of the Ford Bridge.

Evaluation and measurement

(These have not been implemented)

Though the task force was directed by the City Council to evaluate safety issues on Mississippi River Boulevard, task force members were unable to do so. One problem was that the on-street bicycle lane was painted before safety statistics could be compiled. Also, many of the signage, education and law enforcement measures were not fully implemented when the task force finished its work.

The task force recommended that any future studies of the boulevard be professionally designed and implemented, and include the public in identifying issues and making any changes.



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A bed-ridden Mark Steigauf is visited by brothers Bill (left) and Brian. Photo by Mike Long.

Brothers' intuition brings Mac-Grove man back from the brink of tragedy

by Dave Page

Bill and Brian Steigauf were angry. They had been scouting bow-hunting sites in rural Goodhue County on September 1 and their older brother Mark was 15 minutes late picking them up.

The time was 8:15 p.m. By 8:30, their anger had turned to worry. They knew something must be wrong.

Mark's wife, Lauri, had the same concern when she got the call about 10:00 p.m. that Mark had been missing for two hours.

When Bill finally found Mark about midnight, their fears were confirmed. While standing in a willow tree and clearing a sight line with a pole saw, Mark, 37, had slipped backward off a branch and fallen 15 feet onto a rock that was "the size of a sofa," he said. Mark broke four ribs on his left side, partially separated his left shoulder, cracked five vertebrae and fractured his right hip.

"After the fall, it took me about 15 minutes to get my breathing back to normal," Mark said last week from a recliner in his Macalester-Groveland home. "At first I thought, 'Oh, no. Now I won't be able to go to work tomorrow.' (He and his brothers operate Steigauf Brothers Inc., a lawn and landscaping service.) When I finally tried to move, I realized it was worse than that."

Despite the intense pain, Mark did not pass out. He knew he would be a lot harder to find if he could not help by shouting.

He looked at his watch. It was 8:00 p.m. He figured that by 8:45 p.m. his brothers would be mad, and by 9:00 p.m. they would be looking for him. It would take an hour for them to walk back to the truck in the dark and perhaps another hour to locate him.

Mark put his knapsack over his head, and using his good arm, he covered himself with leaves to stay warm. Then he thought of the irony. Mark had spent most of June and July climbing trees to clean up after this summer's storms. Now he was paying dearly for one misstep.

In the meantime, Bill and Brian had found the truck. They used the cell phone in it to contact the Goodhue County sheriff and their parents.

"The sheriff's department took us seriously enough to launch a full-scale search right away," Bill said.

About 35 people from the Kenyon Search and Rescue and First Response teams came out to help along with a K-9 unit. At first the authorities did not want Brian and Bill to help in the search, fearing it would hamper the dogs. But when the volunteers came back empty-handed, the brothers knew they had not gone far enough into the woods.

"We decided to go in on a back road and see if we could find anything," Bill said.

By this time, Mark's father and father-in-law had joined Bill and Brian. A state patrol

helicopter also aided in the search.

It was close to 11:00 p.m. when Mark heard the helicopter and spotted its searchlight. "They were pretty much right on schedule," he said.

The copter was equipped with an infrared device that can detect a warm body, but it could not detect Mark's body heat through the leaves that were covering him.

When Mark's relatives reached the opposite side of the woods, Bill began to shout for his brother. "I heard him call back," Bill said, "and I followed his voice."

"I know Bill says he heard me," Mark said, "but that's impossible. When he tried to call to my father after he found me, no one could hear him even though he was 80 yards closer and could shout a lot louder than me. I did pray a lot while I was lying there, and God, or whatever you want to call it, just helped out."

Bill wanted to leave Mark with a flashlight and go for help, but Mark told him to get into the open and wave his arms at the helicopter. The pilot saw Bill's signal and used global positioning to call in the Kenyon First Response team and the Mayo Clinic's helicopter. It took just 10 minutes for the rescue teams to arrive.

"I can't say enough about the Kenyon people, the sheriff's department and the Mayo helicopter pilot and crew," Mark repeated several times. "And the people at the Mayo Clinic are second to none. Dr. Edward Kelley looked me in the eye and said, 'We're gonna fix you up. You're gonna walk. You're gonna be OK.' I can't tell you how important that was to hear."

Mark spent a week in the hospital. Surgeons put a 3/8-inch lag bolt through his femur and into the ball of his right hip. A 6-inch metal plate and four screws hold it all together. Still, Mark won't be able to put any pressure on his right foot for three months.

Because he is diabetic, Mark could only get major medical insurance, which will cover all but \$5,000 of his expenses. Fortunately, the lawn and landscaping service will provide him with a paycheck throughout his recovery.

Mark gets choked up when he talks about all the people who have helped him. A priest from his Nativity Parish came by with a \$600 check from an anonymous donor. Customers send him cards with small checks. His father has been helping out with the business. His wife is handling their four daughters ages 8 years to 19 months, and his mother comes to sit with him at night when the pain gets to be too much.

"Sometimes I feel like I'm back lying on the rock," Mark said. "I try to save my strength from the good days to get ready for the bad ones I know will come."

Mark called the response of his neighbors, family and friends humbling. "Every person who has come to visit has healed me in some way," he said. "So if you know someone who's sick or in the hospital and you're wondering if you should visit, do it!"

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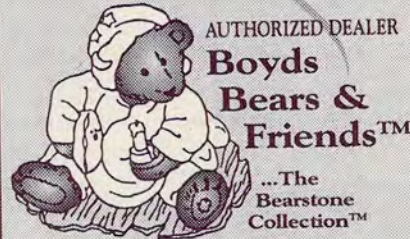
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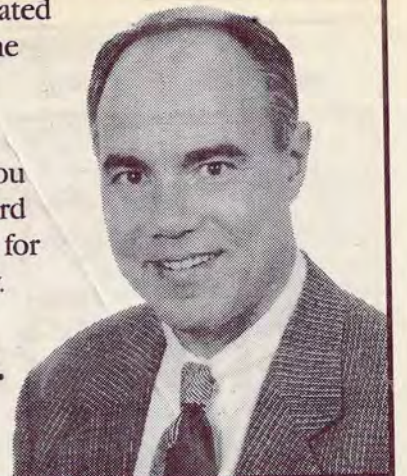


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Macalester-Groveland COUNCIL CAPSULE

BOARD NOTES

The Macalester-Groveland Community Council's September 17 meeting included a discussion about trash, late-night noise and safety problems in the parking lot behind the Subway restaurant on Grand and Fairview avenues.

The board voted to ask the city to install left-turn-only signs at the parking lot exit in order to reduce traffic in the alley. The board also is requesting that the parking lot lessees and their landlord, Abbott Paint, pick up trash twice a day in the parking lot and install lights.

The board would also like to see street signs on the Fairview side of the parking lot replaced with ones that will not block the sidewalk. It also is asking the lessees and Abbott to consider building a fence on either side of the driveway at the rear of the parking lot.

STAR SHINES ON MAC-GROVE

The citizens committee that reviews applications for loans and grants from the city's Neighborhood Sales Tax Revitalization (STAR) program has recommended that two Macalester-Groveland programs be given funding. If the City Council supports the recommendations next month, the community council will receive \$100,000 for its lead water service abatement program and \$200,000 for its Middle

Mac-Grove, Highland set neighborhood cleanup Sept. 26

Macalester-Groveland and Highland residents may participate in a joint neighborhood cleanup from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Saturday, September 26, in the Highland Park High School parking lot. Cars should enter on Edgcombe Road.

To facilitate the reuse and recycling of materials, residents should separate items into the following categories: scrap metal such as pipe and rain gutters, construction debris, usable building materials, tires, working small appliances, mattresses, carpets and pads, concrete and cement, usable household furniture, toys and refuse. The cleanup also will accept bikes, lawn

mowers and snow blowers, computers, televisions and fluorescent lights.

Appliances will be picked up on Monday, September 28. The cost will be \$15 for the first appliance and \$8.00 for each additional appliance. Air conditioners will cost \$20 each. To register for the appliance pickup, call JR's Appliance at 651-454-9215.

The neighborhood cleanup is funded by the city of St. Paul. However, to help defray the costs there will be an entry fee of \$5.00 per car, \$10 per pickup or trailer, and \$25 per truck. Car tires will cost an additional \$1.00 and light truck tires will cost \$2.00. Only household quantities will be accepted

and proof of residency in Highland or Macalester-Groveland will be required.

All St. Paul residents can take advantage of a brush drop-off that will be held during the same hours and for the same fees in the parking lot of the Highland Ice Arena on Snelling Avenue and Ford Parkway. Brush and branches must be 10 inches in diameter or less. No root balls will be accepted.

Many volunteers are needed to help with this labor-intensive event. Volunteers will be provided with lunch and a voucher for free material drop-off. To volunteer, call Scott Foss at the Macalester-Groveland office at 651-698-7973.

The Highland District COUNCIL CAPSULE

RIVER BOULEVARD EXTENSION

The Highland District Council will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. Monday, October 5, at the Hillcrest Recreation Center, 1978 Ford Pkwy. The council is considering whether to submit a Capital Improvement Budget proposal to improve and rename Shepard Road from Highway 5 to Interstate 35E. Besides rechristening that stretch as Mississippi River Boulevard, the proposal would include straightening the roadway, installing historic lighting and new landscaping, building paths along the bluff side, adding semaphores at busy intersections and reducing the speed limit.

Income Fix-Up Program.

The community council is arranging a group contract that will give area homeowners a 20 percent discount on replacing lead pipes between their sidewalk and house. The STAR funds will be used to provide participating households with a \$200 grant. Mac-Groveland also is looking to expand its Middle Income Fix-Up Program to include low- and moderate-income households. Families whose income is at or below 80 percent of the median income for the metro area (under \$45,300 for a family of four) would be eligible to get home improvement

loans. The City Council is expected to make its decision in early October.

AIRPORT NOISE

The community council's Airport Noise Committee will meet at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, September 24, to discuss plans for a gubernatorial candidate forum that has been scheduled for the evening of October 13 at Macalester College. Those who are interested in the issue are invited to participate. For information, call the Macalester-Groveland office at 651-698-7973.

Those with comments about the proposal are encouraged to attend the meeting. For information, call 651-298-5138.

HEMOCROFT PLANNING MEETING

The first meeting on preliminary design work for the expansion of the Hemocroft Recreation Center will be held at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 6, at Hemocroft, 1845 Sheridan Ave. The planning group will consist of Parks and Recreation staff, neighbors, members of agencies that use the facility, St. Paul Public Schools staff, City Council member Mike Harris' staff and Highland District Council board members. Those who are interested in participating in the process are asked to call the district council office at 651-298-5138.

CRIME PREVENTION

Several home burglaries have been reported in the Highland area over the last few weeks. In many of the incidents, the

burglar has entered through an unlocked door while the homeowner was working in the yard. Residents are being urged to lock the front door when they are gardening in the backyard and vice versa.

In at least two of the incidents, the burglar was seen getting into a car with another person at the wheel. Those who see a strange car parked in the alley are urged to call the police with the license number, make and color of the car.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

September 26: Neighborhood cleanup, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Highland Park High School.

September 28: Recycling pickup, 7:00 a.m.

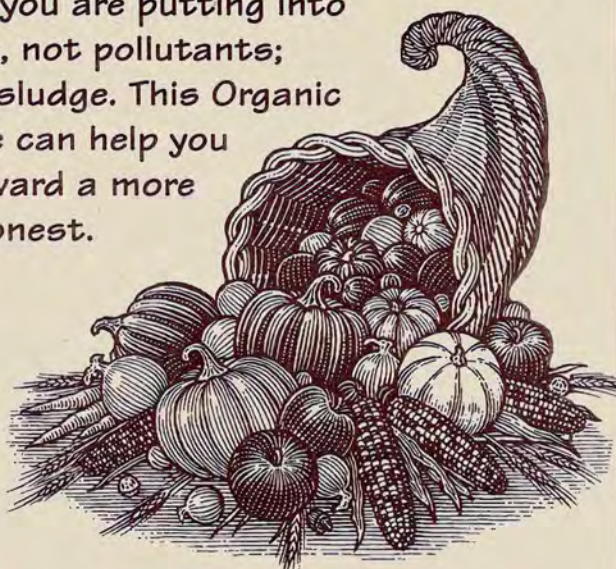
October 1: Highland District Council board meeting, 7:00 p.m., Hillcrest Recreation Center, 1978 Ford Pkwy.

October 5: Shepard Road design discussion, 7:00 p.m., Hillcrest.

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TeaSource offers place for people to take a break from the daily grind

by Catherine Condon

Bill Waddington hunts behind the store counter for printed instructions. "You're familiar with chai tea and how to prepare it?" he asks his customer. "Half milk, half water. You look like you know what you're doing."

So, too, does Waddington. The former supermarket training director and lifelong tea drinker recently opened TeaSource, a tea bar and accessories shop at 752 S. Cleveland Ave. The shop carries 135 varieties of tea, which are available freshly brewed or in bulk, along with tea samples, made-from-scratch bakery goods, teapots, mugs, filters, gift baskets and handmade ceramic pots from China's Xixing region.

By month's end, Waddington expects to have 200 types of tea on hand. Most of the teas he obtains through worldwide distributors; others he buys directly from tea estates.

Prices range from \$4.00 for a quarter-pound bag of basic varieties to \$70 for rare, hand-processed teas. "It's like fine wine," Waddington said about the higher-end teas. "When a Bordeaux from 1989 is gone, it's gone. The rarity and quality that go into it are what drive the price up."

The soaring popularity of tea was behind Waddington's decision to expand his year-old mail order tea supply business into the Twin Cities' first tea bar. He cited an article from *Business Week* stating that more Americans are turning to tea's lower caffeine content as a healthy substitute for coffee.

Frustration also played a role. "You couldn't find any place to buy good tea," said Waddington, a Chicago native who now lives in northeast Minneapolis. "I figured I'd better do something about it."

Not surprisingly, he is a storehouse of tea facts, enthusiastically dispensing tips



Bill Waddington enjoys a cup of his favorite beverage at TeaSource in Highland Village. Photo by Kristine Heykants.

to customers. "Use fresh water from the tap, bring it to a rolling boil and bring the pot to the kettle so the water is as hot as can be when you put it in there," he advised a customer who had asked about black tea brewing methods. "Black teas vary. You need to figure out the tea that you're working with, but aim for 3 to 5 minutes steeping time."

Water temperature is the key to brewing a good cup of tea, said Waddington, who searched nationwide for a made-to-order hot water machine. "Most machines available in the United States are made specifically for coffee," he said. "That's why coffee shops do a bad job on tea, to be frank, because the machines produce water at 180 degrees. Tea needs to be at least 205 degrees. Less than that, you'll have mediocre tea, even if you're using the best leaves in the world."

He had a machine custom made in New Jersey to pump out water at 210 degrees. "They don't make them to have water that hot," he said. "I had to call the factory and talk to the technicians. They kept saying, 'You really want it this hot?' It's not fancy, but it's right."

For a year, Waddington searched for enamel storage canisters for his teas and finally found a Japanese ceramics factory to produce them for him. "They're absolutely airtight," he said. "Tea needs to be protected from light and air."

Waddington said he intends to become an integral part of the neighborhood. He is inviting nonprofit organizations to post notices on the shop's bulletin board and during his grand opening, which runs through September 29, TeaSource is donating a portion of all sales to the Highland Area Tree Restoration Fund.

He also hopes to work with the other businesses in Highland Village. "Hopefully, this is someplace people will want to go after a movie or dinner," he said.

Waddington believes strongly that drinking tea can make things better. "There are about a thousand different rituals and traditions around tea," he said. "They're all an opportunity for an individual, no matter what culture, to take a moment, sit back and relax. Tea is something that can help you catch your breath."

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Kowalski's Grand Market, 1261 Grand Ave., plans to begin offering monthly group tours aimed at teaching consumers how to read labels and learn to make healthier food choices. The first tour will be held from 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 24. The tour will be led by a registered dietician and is being sponsored by the Midway Lions and the Health-East Diabetes Resource Center. Space is limited. To register, call 651-698-3366.

Mario's Movies & Games will open October 1 in the former Mill End Textiles space at the Sibley Plaza Shopping Center. The shop will offer the latest movies, video games and related merchandise.

Lovlies...for Caroline, 490 S. Hamline Ave., will host a fall open house from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday, October 3. The gift store is owned by Shelley Spargur, who also operates the Elite Repeat consignment shop.

Refreshments will be served outdoors on the sidewalk during the open house.

Wendy Nemitz, a noted trainer and marketing consultant, will speak on methods for marketing a business on a shoestring from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 30, at the Sheraton Midway Hotel, 400 N. Hamline Ave. The cost is \$25 and includes lunch. For reservations, call Craig Hamm at 651-699-1347.

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THE HBA TODAY

BY BARBARA DUCHARME, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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VILLAGE PLANTERS

Snyder Drug Store has earned the Golden Trowel Award for having the most attractive planter in a competition sponsored by the Highland Business Association. The staff members at the drug store were among those who adopted the brick planters in Highland Village this summer.

During the first week of August, members of the associa-

tion's Community Development Committee, led by vice president Nancy Dykeman of Rosewood Estate, strolled the Village and rated the planters. Runners-up were R.F. Moeller Jeweler's planters in front of its store and the planters by the kiosk at Ford Parkway and Cleveland Avenue, which were cared for by Highland Village attorney Shawn Bartsh.

HIGHLAND FEST

The HBA would like to thank all of those area residents who shared their opinions about Highland Fest 1998. As was expected, the major topic of discussion centered on the closing of Ford Parkway between Cleveland Avenue and Howell Street. A good 95 percent of those people who commented thought the change was great. They spoke of the increased

safety, how pleasant the art fair was without traffic whizzing by, and how all activities were able to be grouped together. Some people asked that alternative traffic routes be posted if the street was closed during next year's festival.

The association will discuss the issue again this winter. If the property owners along Ford Parkway concur, the initial thought is that the street will be closed for Highland Fest 1999.

ELECTION TIME

The HBA has invited state Representative Michael Paymar and his Republican-endorsed challenger, Ray Cleveland, to its luncheon meeting on Thursday, October 22. The candidates will discuss their positions on state issues affecting area businesses and residents. For information, call 651-699-9042.

Merriam Park COUNCIL CAPSULE

METRO TRANSIT BUS GARAGE

Metro Transit will present four options for the location of a new 200-bus garage during a meeting at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, September 24, at Central Baptist Church, 420 N. Roy St. The options include building a new facility at its current Snelling Avenue site or at one of three other east metro area locations.

The four options will be on display during a Metro Transit open house from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Monday, September 28, at

Metro State University, 700 E. 7th St. The Metropolitan Council's Transportation Committee will hear public comments on the selection of a new bus garage site from 6:30 to 7:30 that evening. The full Metropolitan Council is scheduled to approve a site on October 22.

For more information, call Sherilyn Young at the Merriam Park Community Council office at 651-645-6887.

TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

Merriam Park residents are invited to join the community council's Transportation and Economic Development Committee to work on issues affecting the neighborhood. Such issues include installing a "no left-turn" sign at Cretin Avenue and Mississippi River Boulevard, working on development principles for University Avenue, developing options to re-

stripe Fairview Avenue north of Summit, exploring the feasibility of installing a stoplight at Ashland and Snelling avenues, and creating a citizen action strategy to stem speeding.

The committee also is looking for volunteers who are willing to work on developing a traffic management plan for Merriam Park. For more information, call 651-645-6887.

BUILDING AND LAND USE

The Merriam Park Building and Land Use Committee will meet at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, October 7, to work on developing a new neighborhood plan, "Growing Into the Future," for Merriam Park and Snelling-Hamline. Volunteers are needed to help solicit comments from neighbors on the draft of the plan, record ideas and create the final report. For the location of the meeting, call 651-645-6887.

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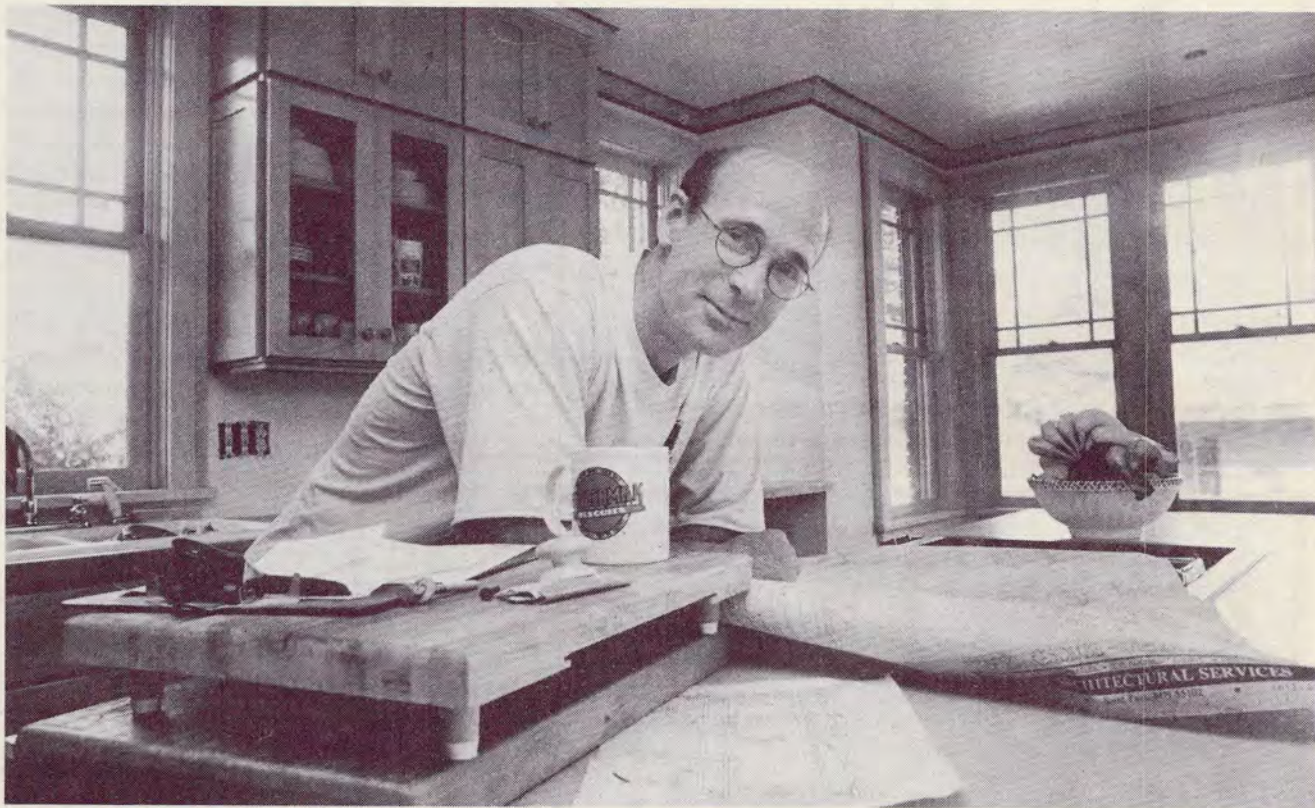
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Building on experience

Showcase celebrates its 11th year of offering a look at the Twin Cities' top remodeling projects



Greg Heberlein enjoys the nearly completed kitchen addition at his Fairmount Avenue home, which will be on display during the 11th annual Remodelers' Showcase the weekend of October 9-11. Photo by Brad Stauffer.

by Bob Gilbert

Brenda Trebesch and Greg Heberlein considered moving to Mendota Heights from their Macalester-Groveland home when their second child was born last December. However, being able to walk to such businesses as Kowalski's Grand Market convinced them that their location was too good to give up. They decided to remodel instead.

Their old kitchen was turned into a half bathroom and closet. A brick addition became the new kitchen on the first floor and an office in the basement. New kitchen cabinets and counter tops were installed as well as hardwood flooring, in-floor heating and a center island big enough for the family to sit around at mealtime.

The Trebesch-Heberlein residence is one of 50 homes from around the Twin Cities that

will be open for viewing as part of the 11th annual Remodelers' Showcase on October 9-11. The self-guided tour will offer visitors a chance to gather ideas for improving their own living spaces and for construction companies to show off their handiwork.

According to architect John Yust, historic preservation was a strong consideration when he was designing the addition for Trebesch and Heberlein. Their 1920s Early Prairie School-style home at 1295 Fairmount Ave. features hipped roofs, wide overhangs and planter boxes under the eaves. The family wanted the addition to look as if it had always been a part of the house.

"My goal was not only to build a great kitchen, but to connect the addition to the wonderful yard in the back of the house because the existing structure didn't really relate to it very well," Yust said.

His design gave easy access to the back yard, where there is a patio, children's play equipment and an arbor. Yust designed a breakfast nook at the back of the kitchen that looks out on a new sunken rock garden. The basement office looks out on it, too.

Finding building materials to match the home was a big job for Mike Killa, president of Authentic Construction. The original brick was from a brick yard in Lilydale that closed years ago, and nobody made the same color mix anymore. Yust compensated by setting the addition off slightly so the old and new brick are not in the same visual plane.

Finding wood to match the existing trim was another issue. Killa bought wood from the Superior Water-Logged Lumber Company and cut the trim himself. The company mines old-growth logs that sank while lumberjacks floated them down to saw mills at

the turn of the century. Lake Superior's low oxygen content and cold temperature preserved the wood. Killa said his company is one of the few in the Twin Cities that use the wood.

"If we're remodeling a 100-year-old house, the wood we buy at the store won't match the original," he said. "The Lake Superior lumber is the same growth material that was used when many of these homes were built. It's easy to tell the difference. The growth rings are tighter and it's much prettier than the new-growth wood."

While Trebesch and Heberlein are excited about their new space, the process was not without stress. Living without a kitchen was a trial. Their refrigerator was in their dining room all summer and they had to cope with-

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Remodeling showcased

out the use of a stove, cabinets or sink. Dishes were done in the utility tub in the basement.

Trebesch said an unwritten rule of remodeling is whatever you think you are going to spend for a project, it will probably double before it is over. "We spent much more money than what I initially thought we were going to spend," she said. "It's more complicated and more expensive adding on to an existing home. It's not like driving into some lot and digging a hole. There are a lot of things that have to be taken into account that you can't anticipate."

Two homes in Mendota Heights also will be included in this year's showcase. Gary St. John of St. John's Craftsman introduced the Arts and Crafts movement as part of a dining and living room renovation of a 1913 farmhouse at 1737 Delaware Ave. Piano and craftsman-inspired windows were added around a new built-in buffet, the white oak floors were refurbished, the plaster walls were repaired and coated with an antique finish, and new millwork was added.

A one-story addition is the new centerpiece of a home at 650 Ivy Falls Ave. Enerjac Construction Inc. added large windows lead-

ing out to a new deck to enhance the homeowners' view of the wooded backyard. The company also installed 10-foot-tall French doors leading from the dining room to the addition.

These homes and others in this year's showcase will be open from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Friday, October 9, and from noon to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, October 10-11. A guidebook listing the homes will be inserted in both daily papers on October 1. The homes also can be seen on the Internet at www.batonline.org.

A free remodeling seminar will be conducted in conjunction with the showcase beginning at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, October 9, at the Builders Association of the Twin Cities, 2960 Centre Point Drive in Roseville. The seminar will enable homeowners to view a variety of finished remodeling projects and meet a large group of remodelers.

Trebesch is glad she no longer has to worry about that part of the project. Her home is almost back to normal and she is pleased with the way it turned out. "This is a great neighborhood," she said, "and I like the idea that we've invested in it."

Home preservation inspections offered

Patrick Leahy of Macalester-Groveland is offering homeowners an innovative way to monitor the condition of their biggest investment.

As part of his new business, AccuSpec Home Inspections, Leahy is offering home preservation inspections designed to assist residents with identifying problems or concerns with their homes before they go too far.

"It's like having the doctor conduct your annual physical," said Leahy, an environmental health technician at the University of Minnesota who has been sidelining as a professional handyman for the past 10 years. "The home inspector will come to

check out your home. The inspection report will point out what's OK, what's not OK and what needs monitoring."

The inspections include an in-depth examination of a home's structural components, roofing, chimneys, gutters, siding, attics, plumbing, electrical, heating, interior rooms, basement and foundation.

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Volunteers help an employee of the Highland Nursery plant a new tree at Mano's Highland Village Montessori on Ford Parkway. The sugar maple was donated by 18 families at the school and replaces a large pine tree that was uprooted in the May 30 storm.

Experts offer timely advice for those replacing trees lost during storms

by Victoria McCurdy

Area residents who lost trees in the storms of last May and June may have learned something about the value of trees during this long, hot summer. Not only do they provide cool shade, but they offer privacy, attract songbirds and reduce noise and energy costs, according to Shelley Shreffler of the St. Paul Neighborhood Energy Consortium.

Shreffler joined a team of local experts in presenting a seminar earlier this month on the planting and maintenance of trees. About 40 area residents attended the meeting, which was cosponsored by the Highland District Council and the Highland Business Association.

"As devastating as the May and June storms were," Shreffler said, "they provide us with an opportunity to look at the makeup of our urban forest, how we can replace it, making the choices that will insure that our investment will not only be around for us, but for residents 40, 50 and 60 years from now."

Fall and spring are the times for planting trees, according to Shreffler, and wise tree selection, planting, pruning and maintenance will help new trees weather future storms.

"Obviously trees directly in the path of straight line winds are going to come down," Shreffler said. "But trees on the edge of those storms probably didn't have to." Shreffler referred to work by Gary Johnson, professor of urban forestry at the University of Minnesota, who found that 70 percent of the trees lost in the storms were the result of neglect, injuries to the trees inflicted by humans or mistakes made in planting. "It's hard for someone to relate to the idea that poor pruning or a nick with the lawnmower 15 years ago was the major factor in the downing of an entire tree last May," Shreffler said.

Eleanor Avenue residents Linda and Dorothy Kluwe needed no reminder of the value of trees. "We lost all of them," said Linda. "Two maples, a butternut and three evergreen trees—all planted by my family over the last 45 years."

The Kluwes' backyard abuts the I-35E Parkway and, along with the cooling shade,

the two women miss the sound barrier the trees provided. "The highway's trees came down too," said Dorothy. "Six Colorado spruce and several sugar maples. The limit for acceptable sound is 70 decibels, and without the trees we're now at 67 decibels."

Before planting a tree, Shreffler advises homeowners to think about why they want a tree. Trees planted to shade windows facing west or east can reduce summer cooling costs by 25 percent. Evergreens planted on the north or northwest side of a home may reduce winter heating bills by up to 20 percent.

Shreffler encouraged seminar participants to stand in the space where they'd like to plant a new tree. "Look up and around you," she said. "How close is your home? Are there power lines above, or overhanging branches from a large tree? Then a smaller tree might be more appropriate."

Bob and Sharon Knudson of Highland Park are shopping for a new tree this fall, although their old tree is still standing—for now. "Our ash sustained heavy damage" in the storm, Bob said. "It split down the middle, so we've got it cabled together. We want to plant something in the vicinity so it gets a good start before the other one comes down."

According to St. Paul city arborist David Sundmark, most trees have their roots in the top foot of soil. A small tree needs a 10-by-10-foot plot of ground and a large tree about 20 by 20 feet. "Remember, if you use herbicides on your lawn, your tree is a weed and may be damaged," he said.

Both Sundmark and Shreffler encourage homeowners to plant trees native to Minnesota, such as hackberry, red maple or bur oak among the larger species and pagoda dogwood or Allegheny serviceberry among smaller species. Look for species that have adapted to the harsh Minnesota winters and tolerate the hard-packed soil, salt and air pollution that are prevalent in the city, they said.

"Native trees also give us a sense of place," Shreffler said. "They let us know that we're in Minnesota, and our wildlife is better adapted to them."

Shreffler would like to see the cities of St.

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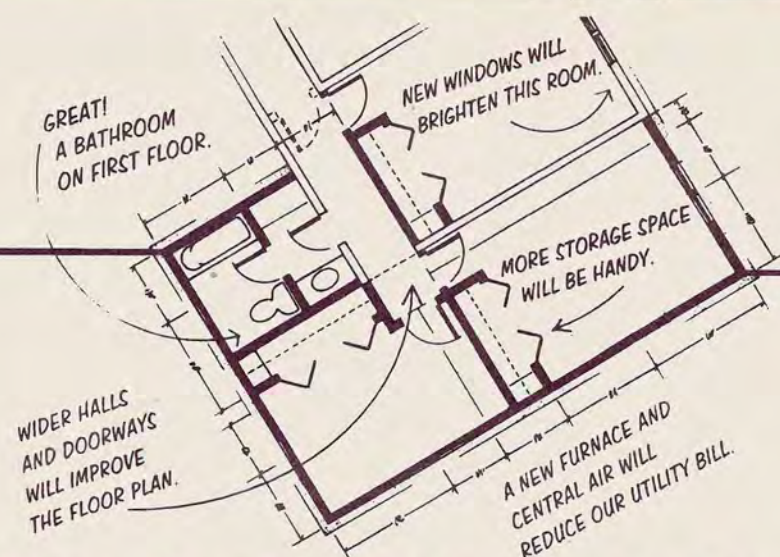
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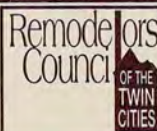
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In past years, you would have gone to a wallpaper store, browsed through dealer sample books and with any luck found a suitable pattern. Today, a quick trip to www.wallpaper-guide.com allows you to select a category and quickly find wallpaper patterns that match your interest.

Jim Trickey, president and founder of The Wallpaper Guide, considered that the prime consumer buyers of wallpaper work full time and don't have the opportunity to shop for wallpaper as their mothers did. "More consumers now have access to the Internet and can search through wallpaper samples at home during the evening hours," he said.

After helping you locate the appropriate pattern, The Wallpaper Guide points the way to local stores that carry the product. Simply type in your zip code and you've got



local dealer information at your fingertips.

You can print out the pattern and hit a link to a store's own homepage to retrieve an address, phone number and directions.

"While helping consumers locate the right product is our primary goal, we don't want to stop there," Trickey said. "People embarking on decorating projects inevitably have questions, so we provide links to practical how-to demonstrations, such as decorating with borders. A products and services link also offers helpful products, such as videos on how to hang wallpaper. Other wallpaper publications are also available to help you gather the information you need to decorate your home."

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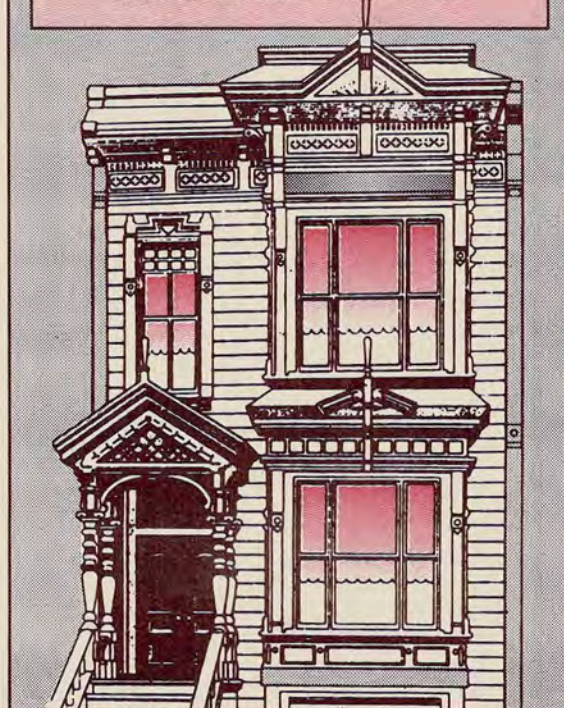
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Tree planting seminar /from page 17

Paul and Minneapolis take a long-term approach to replanting the landscape devastated by the storms. "We learned from these storms how important trees are to the cities' infrastructure," she said. "While replanting is important, maintaining trees is just as important. Many trees came down because of prob-

lems that could have been avoided."

For more information on planting and maintaining trees, call the Neighborhood Energy Consortium at 651-644-5436 or visit the state Department of Natural Resources' Web site at www.dnr.state.mn and select the "In Your Backyard" page.

Property owners should heed these hints when planting trees

by Victoria McCurdy

St. Paul city arborist David Sundmark offers the following tips for planting and maintaining trees:

Bigger is not always better. Studies have shown that larger trees suffer transplant shock for years longer than smaller trees. Five or 10 years after transplanting, a smaller tree may have outpaced a larger one.

A cheap tree is not a bargain. Though there is now a shortage of quality trees that will probably continue through next spring, Sundmark encourages homeowners to seek out the best trees they can find. Look for a tree with a single central trunk and strong branches.

Check the site for drainage. After selecting a site for a tree, dig a foot-deep hole and fill it with water. If the hole stays filled for hours, the soil drainage is poor. Choose a tree that does not mind wet feet.

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to call early—at least two working days before digging.

Create a forest environment. Take up competing grass in the area that will directly surround the tree and loosen the earth with a spade or tiller.

Don't plant too deep. Dig only as deep as the root ball. Place root collar at the ground level. A balled and burlapped tree often has mulch well above the root collar. Scrape the mulch away.

Check for girdling roots. Spread roots out heading away from the tree. Untangle encircling or crisscrossing roots that might strangle the tree years later.

Mulch. Sundmark prefers smaller mulch over large wood chips. Start a few inches from the base of the tree and mulch to a depth of at least 4 inches. Recent studies have shown that thicker mulch is even more beneficial.

Water. Sundmark recommends watering a transplanted tree once or twice weekly with 3 to 5 inches of water. Water slowly, with a garden hose turned on low.

Word leaks out on replacing gutters

Like many homeowners, Lloyd and DeLoris Rafteseth realized they needed new gutters when they noticed their old ones leaking.

Leaking is just one sign that your gutters may need replacing. Other indications include damage from winter ice, rust or peeling paint. Basically, homeowners have two options when replacing gutters: do it yourself or have a professional home improvement company do it for you.

"If you're going to do a home improvement project like this yourself, plan to take three to four days to tear off your old gutters and put up the new ones," advises lumberyard foreman John Hanson. "Then you need to figure out how many downspouts, extensions and elbows you will need to purchase. Next, measure to determine the length of the downspouts and extensions and where they'll be positioned around your house."

"You can install vinyl gutters yourself," Hanson said. "However they have a short life span and need to be replaced after a few years because they become brittle. Make sure you purchase a sturdy ladder and have two or three people helping you, so you don't fall and injure yourself."

Lloyd and DeLoris looked at many options before deciding to hire a professional team to install their gutters. By hiring a professional team of installers to replace your gutters, you won't have to deal with all the worry, work and clean up that comes with a home improvement project, said Jarod Whitley with ABC Seamless, makers of seamless siding and related products.

"Gutters are an essential part of the home," he said. "Without them, you risk damaging your lawn and your home's foundation. Also, the moisture from the rain can warp and rot doors and window frames."

According to Whitley, larger gutters are especially beneficial during downpours, because they carry the water away from the home faster. As for new trends in gutters, he said, "The flip-up extensions are popular, because when you mow your lawn, you flip them up and secure them, mow the lawn and go back and flip them down again. This prevents the problem of extensions laying all over the lawn and getting run over."

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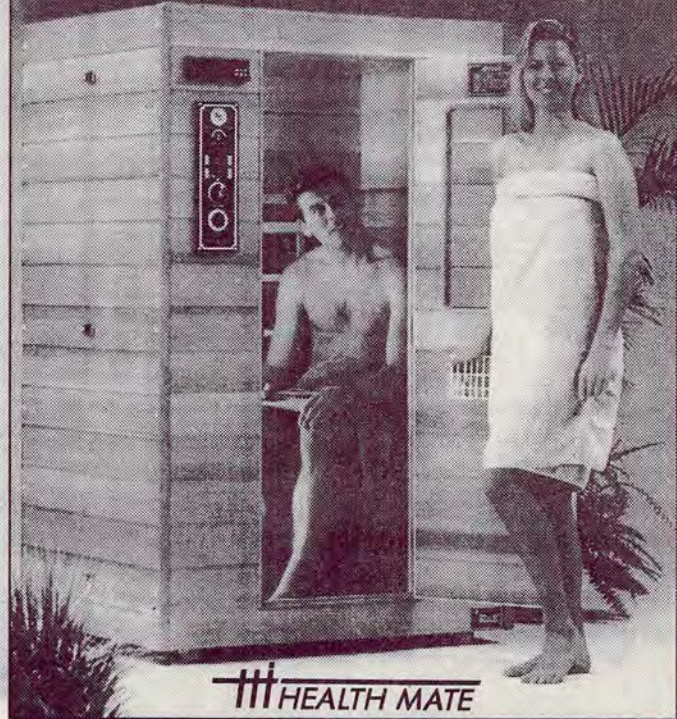
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Cody Palomo, 3, plays in the bedroom that was designed by his mom Angie, owner of the home-based business Room to Grow. Photo by Kristine Heykants.

Room with a view

Merriam Park mom's design wins national recognition

by Victoria McCurdy

"That very night in Max's room a forest grew, and grew, until his ceiling hung with vines and the walls became the world all around."

So begins the adventure in Maurice Sendak's *Where the Wild Things Are*, a children's book that details Max's adventures in the land of the Wild Things, which happens to be his own room.

Angie Hanzel Palomo, a Merriam Park mother of three, has helped create her own share of wild things. The award-winning decorator takes images from children's books and paints them on the walls of children's bedrooms. She completes the look with painted furniture, patchwork quilts, window treatments, dust ruffles and glider covers. It is all part of her home business, Room to Grow, that she started a year ago.

"We all grew up in white bedrooms,"

Palomo said. "It was a big deal to go to Sears and get a new comforter. That was great, but now people are really exploring."

Palomo's eldest son Cody, 3, falls asleep each night in a bed fashioned like a truck. The headlights are actually flashlights that light up the rest of the brightly decorated room. Trucks, cars, trains and airplanes are painted across the walls in the style of children's book author Byron Barton.

"I added the airplanes in Cody's room more recently," Palomo said. "He wanted to do a Northwest-type airplane because we rode on Northwest a few months ago, so I had to add an airplane with a big red tail."

The design netted Palomo first place in a nationwide decorated room contest sponsored by *Child Magazine*. Palomo did not expect to win.

"I mean, last year I think one of the

winners was an architect who built an entire log cabin on the third floor of their house," she said. Palomo's husband, Manny, creative director at Best Buy and creator of Cody's truck bed, entered the contest for her.

"I kind of made fun of my husband for entering because we were very busy and he had to take pictures, get them developed and write the letter," she said. "I thought, 'Why bother, why don't you go to the grocery store for me instead.' I couldn't believe it when I got the call."

Child Magazine sent its photographers out to capture the room on film this summer. The story and photos will run in the magazine next spring.

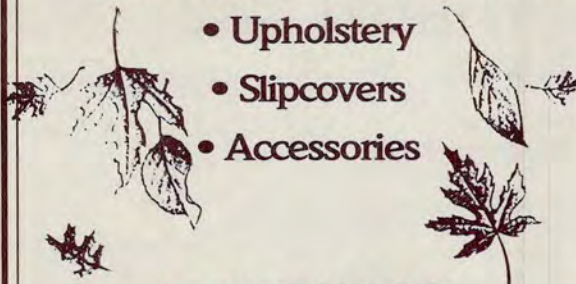
The national recognition is a big boost for Palomo, who began her business on the suggestion of her baby sitter, Donna Long.

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"I mentioned that I needed to find something to do one or two days a week to earn some money," she said. "Donna told me, 'What you should do is sitting upstairs.'" At the time, Palomo had painted Cody's bedroom as well as her 2-year-old son Tony's.

"Tony's is based on *Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*," said Palomo, referring to the popular children's book. The story of alphabet letters climbing up a palm tree is depicted on a vivid red orange backdrop.

"I'm not a great artist, I'm a great copier," Palomo said. When a client calls and says, "I want a farm" or "I want a jungle," she tells them to find a book or a piece of fabric to show her what they have in mind.

"Your idea of a cow and my idea of a cow could be so different," Palomo said.

The scope of the project is up to the client. One family might want just a few trucks painted on the walls to match the curtains. Another might want a room like Palomo's youngest son, Nico, 5 months, which looks like a page from *Rumble in the Jungle*.

"This is my favorite," said Palomo, gesturing toward the intense green jungle scene of monkey's swinging on vines and furniture that is painted to extend the jungle right into the room. "I painted this same style for a fam-

ily with twin girls. I had a gazelle jumping over the dresser and each bed was against a wall with a moon and stars."

Palomo said she tries to keep her services reasonably priced. Most families can have a room done for under \$300. "There are a couple of other people in the Twin Cities who do what I do and they're very expensive," she said. "They do a lot of work in Minnetonka and Wayzata. I couldn't afford those painters. I want to keep my prices affordable for people like us."

Born and raised in Macalester-Groveland, Palomo attended Nativity grade school and Derham Hall high school. She majored in journalism at Drake University, but she has always loved art. Prior to moving back to St. Paul in 1995, she served a nine-year stint as a photo stylist in Chicago.

"I always wanted to come back here and raise kids," she said.

Her decorating skills are not limited to bedrooms. The royal blue dining room, the chandelier fashioned from brightly colored tea cups and the hand-tiled dining room table reflect the creative style that can be found throughout the Palomo household.

"It's kind of a circus fun house," she said with a smile.

'Home Improvement' star Tim Allen constructs top 10 list of fall projects

Taking the time now to complete some simple fall projects will conserve energy and protect homeowners from untimely mishaps during the winter season.

"Even if your tool box is somewhat scarce, there are several things around the house to get prepared for winter that just about anybody can do," said comedian Tim Allen, star of "Home Improvement" and creator of the Tim Allen Signature Tools (TAST) company.

Following is Allen's top 10 list of fall projects that homeowners can do to prepare their homes for the cold winter months ahead:

10. Clean the chimney (you never know what might be coming down it).

9. Spread mulch over flower beds (don't put mulch over wife's flowered bedspread).

8. Inspect and clean the furnace (unless you have an enormous surplus of wool blankets).

7. Install storm windows (trust me, it's simple).

6. Check the roof for leaks and damaged shingles (I got that tip from Noah himself).

5. Clean the gutters (you wouldn't believe the things I've found up there).

4. Drain sediment from the water heater (this one's guaranteed to add excitement to your day).

3. Check for proper insulation (improper insulation is simply in bad taste).

2. Repair cracks in concrete walkways (before the winter ice finds them first).

1. Seal out drafts (remember, you go in your home to stay out of the wind).

Checking for proper insulation and sealing out drafts will make your home more comfortable and energy efficient during the winter months. Each fall, check doors and windows throughout your home for drafts. Use weather stripping around drafty doors and windows, and seal out drafts from windows with a custom insulator kit. Install insulation throughout your home where needed.

Tim Allen founded TAST in 1996 with the intent to take something he loves—tools—and turn it into a venture that allowed him to help children and their families. Allen donates a portion of his profits from TAST to kids' educational and charitable programs.

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Outside the Home

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Trees. Prune suckers, water shoots, dead branches and those that may rub against the house or each other. If they're too high, an extendable pole pruner may add the extra feet you need to do the job. Use the lopper part of the tool to snip smaller branches and the limb saw to cut larger stems.

Lawns. Mow grass as long as it continues to grow. As the weather cools, begin to cut to a shorter height. In snow areas, grass longer than 1½ inches can mat under snow cover, making it more susceptible to damage. Fertilize early- to mid-fall with fall formulated brands. Seed bare spots.

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Gutters. Remove debris that can clog gutters and downspouts, causing water to spill over or pool. This may cause ice dams that can back up under shingles, resulting in interior leaks.

Exterior doors and windows. Caulk to prevent cold air, moisture or insects. Paint to protect any bare wood spots from moisture and sun damage.

Leak paths. Inspect areas surrounding pipes, dryer vents, window and door frames and other areas outside your home through which cold air can infiltrate. Seal any leaks with caulking.

Inside the Home

Furnace. Change the air filter now and monthly throughout the winter to protect the motor and enable your furnace to run more efficiently and cleanly.

Thermostat. Consider the use of programmable thermostats and clocks on hot water heaters to help conserve energy by automatically adjusting temperatures while you are at work or asleep.

Insulation. Insulate attics, hot water pipes and wrap hot water heaters to keep heat in and cold out.

Potted plants. Plants bring a little of the outdoors in during cold months, but they do need more than just occasional watering. Place plants in a larger pot when fresh root tips are showing all over the surface of the root ball and use a high quality top soil.

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Wednesday/September 23

A **SALAD LUNCHEON** will be hosted by St. Helena's Council of Catholic Women at noon today in the church basement of Rowan Hall, at 32nd Ave. S. and 43rd St., Minneapolis. The cost is \$5.00.

Thursday/September 24

A **CLASS** on "Care of the Body, Care of the Soul" will be given by Cathy Manion Norgard from 7:00 to 9:30 this evening and every Thursday through Oct. 15 at the Minnesota Jung Association, 1550 Summit Ave. The cost is \$70, or \$55 for members. For information, call 651-699-8730.

THE BOY SCOUTS will hold an informational meeting for boys in grades 1-5 and their parents at 6:30 this evening at Expo Elementary School, 540 S. Warwick St. For information, call Dennis at 651-699-7936.

A **COMMUNITY FORUM** to learn more about and discuss programs and services for the deaf community will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 this evening at the Merriam Park Library, 1831 Marshall Ave.

TOURS of the state Capitol will be given at 7:00 and 8:00 p.m. today and tomorrow. The cost is \$5.00 for adults, \$4.00 for seniors and \$3.00 for children ages 6-15. For information, call 651-296-2881.

"**RIVER OF DREAMS**," a three-day conference examining the Upper Mississippi River through the humanities, will begin with a reception at 7:00 p.m. at the Landmark Center, downtown St. Paul. Panel sessions will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Friday at the History Center and Saturday at the University of St. Thomas. The keynote address will be given by environmental historian William Cronon at 7:00 p.m. on Friday in the 3M Auditorium at the History Center. The keynote address is free. The cost for the conference is \$40. To register, call 651-296-6126.

Friday/September 25

A **RUMMAGE SALE** will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. today and from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. tomorrow at Cleveland Avenue United Methodist Church, 225 S. Cleveland Ave. There will be a bag sale from noon to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday.

A **COUNTRY FOLK ART and Craft Show** will be held from 5:00 to 9:00 this evening,



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from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. tomorrow and from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday at the Minnesota State Fairgrounds. Admission is \$6.00 on Friday, \$5.00 on the other days and \$2.00 for children.

THE ST. PAUL AREA CHAMBER of Commerce will hold a breakfast from 7:30 to 9:00 this morning at the Town & Country Club, 2279 Marshall Ave. Dick Senese, chairman of Minnesota's DFL Party, and Bill Cooper, chairman of Minnesota's Republican Party, will give guests the inside scoop on the gubernatorial candidates and upcoming election. The cost is \$20. To register, call 651-223-5000.

A **RUMMAGE SALE** will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. today in the auditorium of St. Mark's School, 1983 Dayton Ave. Books, clothing, jewelry, furniture, plants and collectibles will be featured in the sale, which will continue from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. September 26 and from 9:00 a.m. to noon September 27. Call 651-646-6745.

Saturday/September 26

AN OKTOBERFEST AND BOOYA will be held by St. Francis de Sales Parish from 7:00 to 10:30 this evening and from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. tomorrow at the Highland Park Pavilion. There will be a live band and bier garden atmosphere on Saturday night and on Sunday, there will be booya, German dancers and games for all.

COLONEL ROBERT MORGAN, a WWII aviator and pilot of the world famous B-17 bomber "The Memphis Belle," will give a talk at 7:30 this evening in the O'Shaughnessy Educational Center at the University of St. Thomas. Admission is \$10.

A **HARVEST FESTIVAL** will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. today at Dunning Field. A neighborhood procession will begin at 9:30 this morning in the Central High School parking lot. There will be fun for the whole family including mask making,

hayrides, pumpkin carving, face painting, cooking demonstrations and entertainment. Admission is free. Call 651-641-8279.

AN AMERICAN HEART WALK to raise funds to support lifesaving research will be held at 8:00 this morning along the Mississippi River in downtown St. Paul. This 3-mile fun run is open to all ages. For information, call 612-835-3300.

A **VICTORIAN COOKING CLASS** for children ages 7-11 accompanied by an adult will be offered from 10:00 a.m. to noon and from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. today at the Alexander Ramsey House, 265 S. Exchange St. The cost is \$5.00 for adults, \$4.00 for seniors and \$3.00 for children ages 6-15. For reservations, call 651-296-8760.

Sunday/September 27

DOG DAY AFTERNOON, an outdoor festival for dogs, will be held from noon to 5:00 p.m. today at Midway Stadium. Attractions will include a chew-the-shoe pile, a doggie day spa, dead fish pond, blessing of the canines and bark mitzvah booth. New to this year's festival will be the museum of famous chewed objects and Chihuahua Mama's Lounge. Admission is \$10, or \$8.00 in advance at Petco stores or from Ticket Works by calling 612-870-1099.

HOPE FEST will be held from noon to 5:00 p.m. today at the Carondelet Center, 1890 Randolph Ave. There will be food, music, activities and games, bingo, a silent auction, art fair, petting zoo and more. For information, call 651-690-7026.

Monday/September 28

THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS will hold its September meeting from 7:00 to 9:00 this evening at the Martin Luther King Center, 270 N. Kent St. The meeting will focus on the housing portion of St. Paul's comprehensive plan that is to be submitted to the Metropolitan Council by the end of this year. For details, call 651-222-1215.

Thursday/October 1

THE MOMS CLUB will host an open house from 10:00 to 11:00 this morning at St. Clement's Episcopal Church, 901 Portland Ave. For information, call Jenny at 651-699-2933.

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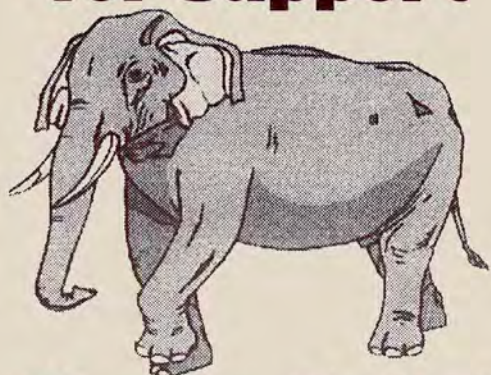
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Saturday/October 3

THE JUNIOR LEAGUE is holding its annual "Next-to-New" Sale from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. today at the State Fairgrounds. The sale will be closed from noon to 12:30 p.m. and when it reopens, all items will be reduced to half-price. At 2:00 p.m. a \$2.00 bag sale will take place. Admission is \$2.00.

A HUGE SALE will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. today at St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church, at Kent St. and Portland Ave. On Monday, October 5, there will be a bag sale from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

A CRAFT FAIR will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. today at St. Stanislaus

Church, 398 Superior St. There will be over 25 crafters, a silent auction and country bakery.

Sunday/October 4

A COURSE on "Visions of Israel: Israeli Filmmakers and Images of the Jewish State" will meet from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. beginning today and continuing on Sundays through October at the Jewish Community Center, 1375 St. Paul Ave. The cost is \$15, or \$10 for members. To register, call 651-698-0751.

A VICTORIAN TEA will be offered at 1:00 and 3:00 this afternoon and tomorrow afternoon at the Alexander Ramsey House, 265 S. Exchange St.

The cost is \$7.00 and includes a tour of the home's first floor. For information, call 651-296-8760.

Monday/October 5

A RUMMAGE SALE will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. today and from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. tomorrow at St. Mark Lutheran Church, at W. 7th and Goodhue streets. A \$2.00 bag sale will be held on October 6.

Tuesday/October 6

A TRAVELOGUE and slide presentation on Australia will be given by Rob Foeckler at 7:30 this evening at Books For Travel, Etc., 857 Grand Ave. Admission is free. For information, call 225-8006.

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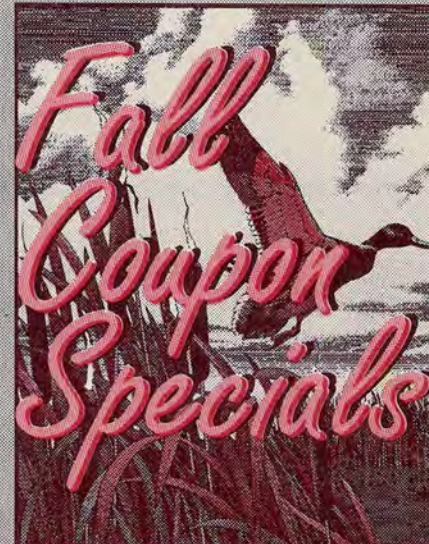
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ON THE TOWN

Sound decision

For talented couple, concert series signals return to the music they love

by Janet Lunder Hanafin

Composer-musician Gary Rue and his wife, singer Prudence Johnson, had gotten burned out. With her hectic performing schedule and his writing for radio, television and theater, the Ashland Avenue couple said they both decided to take a breather from their careers.

"There were four or five years we didn't listen to a dang thing on any media at all," Rue said. "I played it all day and wrote it all night, and didn't want to listen to it anymore. Now we're interested in doing it because our hearts tell us to. We're both coming back to music."

And they are doing it in a big way. Rue has signed on to produce the Cedar Exchange Performance Series this fall. The eclectic, four-part series will be kicked off with a concert by folksinger and Grammy Award winner Janis Ian on September 27 at the historic Central Presbyterian Church in downtown St. Paul.

"The series is a way for Central Presbyterian Church to expand its outreach,"

Rue said. "They told me to book whomever I wanted to and be as diverse as possible." Johnson will emcee the series and perform at two of the concerts.

Built in 1889 at the corner of Cedar and Exchange streets, Rue said Central Presbyterian Church reminds him of "one of those old vaudeville theaters" with a great rotunda, beautiful balcony and domed ceiling that provides excellent acoustics.

Creative programming enabled Rue to schedule performers who will be making other appearances in the Twin Cities this fall. Ian, a social activist as well as a veteran of the folk circuit, will deliver the keynote speech at a human rights campaign fund-raiser on September 26 and then perform her concert at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, September 27. Best known for her songs "Society's Child" and "At Seventeen," Ian has been performing for 30 years and recently released her latest album, "Hunger."

Guest artists at the first concert will be Latona's Thirst. The duo is composed of classically trained, 20-year-old twin sisters Jennifer and Sarah Schroerlucke, students at Hamline University who write and perform



Prudence Johnson and Gary Rue check out the sight lines at Central Presbyterian Church, the scene of the upcoming Cedar Exchange Series. Photo by Kristine Heykants.

their own compositions.

The series will continue on Saturday, October 17, when Trio Voronezh, an award-winning ensemble from Russia, performs at 8:00 p.m. following an appearance on "A Prairie Home Companion." The trio, which is touring the United States for the first time, will showcase music ranging from classical works to gypsy dance tunes while playing

the domra (a long-necked, three stringed instrument), bayan (a huge button accordion) and double-bass balalaika (a large, triangular three-stringed instrument with one leg).

On Saturday, November 14, the Minnesota Klezmer Band will present "Gershwin

Cedar Exchange/see page 28



Leslie Adrienne Miller will read from her poetry at 7:30 p.m. Friday, September 25, at the Loft.

UST prof wins fellowship for distinction in poetry

by Deborah Sowell

Poet Leslie Adrienne Miller has been referred to as a confessional writer, a feminist writer and a travel writer. However, she doesn't like the labels.

An associate professor of English at the University of St. Thomas and resident of the Ramsey Hill neighborhood, Miller believes her poetry is more narrative than confessional. As for being labeled a feminist, she said, "Usually it's not praise when (critics) say it. Normally they detect some kind of anger and then say you must be a feminist. I think it's just irony, but some of them take it personally."

Miller hates to travel, but she loves to experience life in foreign countries. She was on sabbatical last year and took up residence

in an artists' colony in the south of France.

"I was living in a cabin out in the woods with a bunch of painters and I worked every day," she said. "It was glorious. I worked differently than I ever had before. I could hang onto my ideas for a week at a time. Here I can't. They just evaporate because I have so many other things wanting my attention."

Miller credits the completion of her most recent collection of poetry, *Yesterday Had a Man in It*, to her time in France. Submissions from the book as well as a new work in progress led to her selection as one of two winners of the 1998 Loft-McKnight Artist Fellowship for distinction in poetry.

The award means a lot more to her than the \$20,000 prize money. She said it is an honor to have her work recognized and confirmed by nationally renowned poet Alice Fulton, the judge for this year's

fellowships.

"Leslie Adrienne Miller's meditative narratives are unfailingly thoughtful in their inclusions," wrote Fulton in the introduction to an anthology of the fellowship winners' works, which is being published by Graywolf Press. "Her self-portraits are not airbrushed and her unpretty admissions construct a sense of authenticity."

One of the portraits that Miller conveys to the reader in her poem "At the Bandung Emergency Room" is of a traveler who is aware of the mark she leaves on the places she visits and the people she meets. Miller writes:

But here, affliction is the easiest way around difference. Because I am permanently

Miller/see page 28

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Sweeney's Saloon, 96 N. Dale St., is offering live music at 9:00 p.m. upstairs. The line-up will include the following musicians: The Beads on Thursday, September 24; Half Baked on Friday, September 25; Atticus Finch on Tuesday, September 29; and Strange Friends on Wednesday, September 30.

"Swing Night in the Caves," will take place from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. every Thursday at the Wabasha Street Caves, 215 S. Wabasha St. The line-up will include the following: Swing Beat on September 24; and Zoot on October 1. Free dance lessons will be given at 6:15 p.m. Admission is \$6.00. Call 651-224-1191.

3 Minute Hero will perform from 9:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Friday, September 25, at O'Gara's Garage, 164 N. Snelling Ave. This eight-piece, high-energy band was recently nominated for Minnesota Music Awards' "Best New Band." Admission is \$4.00.

Riverview Cafe, 3753 S. 42nd Ave., Minneapolis, is offering live music from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday evenings. Bill Giese will perform on Fridays. On Saturdays the music will include the Schimpp Sisters with Mark Briere on September 26. Call 612-722-7234.

The Cedar Exchange Performance Series will kick off with a performance by singer/songwriter Janis Ian at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, September 27, at Central Presbyterian Church, 500 Cedar St. Opening for Ian will be Latona's Thirst, an acoustic duo made up of twin sisters Jennifer and Sarah Schroer-lucke. For tickets, priced at \$14, or \$10 for seniors and children under 10, call 612-870-1099.

Vocalist Linda Eder will perform with the Minnesota Orchestra at 8:00 p.m. Friday and

Saturday, October 2-3, at Orchestra Hall. For tickets, priced from \$20.75 to \$35.75, call 612-371-5656.

The Civic Orchestra of Minneapolis will present organist Charles A. Parsons performing the music of Rheinberger, Beethoven and Aaron Jay Kernis at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, October 4, at Central Lutheran Church, 333 S. 12th St., Minneapolis.

The Prospect Park Players, under the direction of William Eddins, will perform a birthday salute to Gershwin at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, October 4, at Sundin Hall on the campus of Hamline University. For tickets, priced at \$15, call 612-331-8345.

Nigel Potts, the young virtuoso organist from England, will perform his Twin Cities' debut concert at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 6, at Hamline United Methodist Church, 1514 Englewood Ave. Admission is free.

Books

The Hungry Mind bookstore, 1648 Grand Ave., will host the following readings at 8:00 p.m. (unless otherwise noted): Robin Hemley will read selections from his book *Nola: A Memoir of Faith, Art and Madness* on Wednesday, September 23; Tom Vanderbuilt will discuss *The Sneaker Book* on Thursday, September 24; Curtis White will read from his new book *Memories of my Father Watching TV* on Friday, September 25; Robert Clark will read selections from his book *Mr. White's Confession* on Monday, September 28; Barton Sutter will discuss his book *Cold Comfort* on Thursday, October 1; Andre Alexis will read selections from his book *Childhood* on Friday, October 2; and U Sam Oeur will read and discuss selections from his book *Sacred Vows* at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, October 3. Admission is free. Call 651-699-0587.

ON THE TOWN briefly



Linda Back McKay will discuss and sign copies of her book *Shadow Mothers* at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, September 24, at Barnes & Noble Highland, 2080 Ford Pkwy. The book tells the heartfelt stories of women, like McKay, who had placed a child up for adoption and years later were reunited with their adult son or daughter. Admission is free. For information, call 651-690-9443. Photo by Judith Connor.

Eric Dregni will sign copies of his book *Scooter Mania!* at 5:00 p.m. Sunday, September 27, at the Hungry Mind Bookstore after a rally from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. at Bryant-Lake Bowl, 810 W. Lake St., Minneapolis. For information, call 651-699-0587.

A **celebration** of recent publications will be held from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 28, in the bookstore at the College of St. Catherine. The featured authors will be Shawn Madigan, author of *Mystics, Visionaries and Prophets* and Russell Connors, author of *Character, Choices and Community*. For information, call 651-690-6729.

Family

Preschool storytimes for children ages 3-5 will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Fridays through October 23 at the Merriam Park Library, 1831 Marshall Ave. To register, call 651-642-0385.

Pepperwolf will present *Peaceful Stories for Kids of All Ages* at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, September 24, at The Red Balloon Bookshop, 891 Grand Ave. For information, call 651-224-9508.

The Youth Performance Company will open *The Witch of Blackbird Pond* on Friday, Sep-

tember 25, in the Howard Conn Fine Arts Center, 1900 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis. The play, based on the Newberry Award-winning book by Elizabeth George Speare, finds Kit Tyler orphaned and displaced at 17 from her Barbados home suddenly landing in 17th-century New England knee-deep in the tumult of witch trials. Performances will continue on Wednesdays through Sundays until October 11. For tickets, priced at \$7.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children 14 and under, call 612-623-9080.

The Red Balloon Bookshop, 891 Grand Ave., will offer the following storytime activities at 10:30 a.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays: Penny Warner, author of several party books for children, will introduce her newest books by throwing a party on Saturday, September 26; and David Kamish and his 7-year-old son Daniel will talk about *The Night Before the Scary Beasties Popped Out of My Head*, the book they created together when Daniel was 5 years old, on October 3. Admission is free. Call 651-224-8320.

Writer Anne E. Neuberger and illustrator Tessie Bundick will introduce their book *Jane Gibbs: "Little Bird That Was Caught"* at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, September 26, at the Red Balloon Bookshop, 891 Grand Ave. A descendant of Cloud Man, who was chief of the Dakota people during Jane's time, will visit the store in his traditional Native American clothing. For information, call 651-224-8320.

A **costume character** storytime, featuring Angelina Ballerina, will be held at 7:00 p.m. Saturday, September 26, at Barnes & Noble Highland, 2080 Ford Pkwy. Children, ages 3 and older, should wear their favorite pajamas or dance costume. Admission is free. For information, call 651-690-9443.

History Hijinx programs for children ages 3-11 will be offered from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. on

Sundays at the Minnesota History Center, 345 W. Kellogg Blvd. The line-up includes the following: families can examine rubbings of real petroglyphs and make their own rock carving on September 27; and children can learn American Sign Language words and learn how to use them in sentences on October 4. Admission is free. Call 651-296-6126.

"Sundays at Landmark," a family-oriented event series, will continue with Pop Wagner at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, October 4, in the E.K. Weyerhaeuser Auditorium at Landmark Center. Admission is free. For information, call 651-292-3225.

"Excentricus," a theatrical performance of the cirque tradition, the European-style animal-free circus featuring acrobatics, juggling, aerial art, cycling, balancing and music, will be performed by Quebec-based Cirque Éloize at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, October 6 and 8, at the Ordway Music Theatre. There also will be a World Party beginning at 5:30 p.m. on October 6. For tickets, priced at \$22, \$27, \$32 and half-price for children ages 4-17, call 651-224-4222.

Dance

"Turnstyle," a fall dance series presented by the Minnesota Dance Alliance and the Southern Theater, will take place from September 10 through December 20 at the Southern Theater and in Studio 6A of the Hennepin Center for the Arts in Minneapolis. The series will continue with Rita Mustaphi's Nritya Jyoti Dance Theatre at 8:00 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, September 24-27, at the Southern Theater; Robin Stiehm's Dancing People Company at 8:00 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays and at 2:00 p.m. Sundays, September 25-27, and October 2-4, in Studio 6A; and

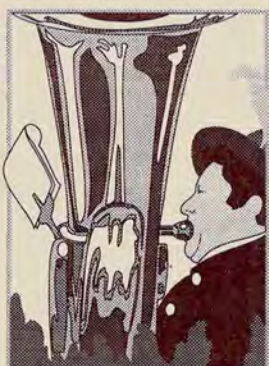
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The Minnesota Chapter of the United States Amateur Ballroom Dancers Association will hold a Grand Ball from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Sunday, September 27, at the US Bank Trust Center, at 5th and Jackson St. The evening will include spectacular amateur and professional showcases. There also will be hors d'oeuvres and a buffet. Admission is \$25 at the door. For advanced tickets, priced at \$20, call 612-483-5467.

Theater

Pangea World Theater will open *Playland* on Thursday, September 24, in the Hennepin Center for the Arts, 528 S. Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis. Performances will take place at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays through Sundays until October 4. For tickets, priced at \$12 and \$10 for students and seniors, call 612-332-5206.

Theatre de la Jeune Lune will open *Queen*, the play about the dreams, delusions and night-



The Frederic Chopin Society will present pianist Lee Luvisi performing the works of Scarlatti, Mozart, Fauré, Schumann and Chopin at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, October 4, in the Janet Wallace Fine Arts Center at Macalester College. For tickets, priced at \$15 or \$12 for Society members, seniors and students, call 612-822-0123.

mares of Queen Elizabeth the Second, at 8:00 p.m. Friday, October 2, in its performance space at 105 N. 1st St., Minneapolis. Performances will continue at 8:00 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays and at 7:00 p.m. Sundays until October 25. For tickets, priced from \$9.00 to \$21, call 612-333-6200.

The Meeting Place, written by University of Minnesota graduate Dan Reed, will be performed at 8:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday, October 2-3, at the Coffman Union Theatre on the campus of the University of Minnesota. The play tells the story of the massive fires of 1918, the worst natural disaster in the state's history. For tickets, priced at \$7.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students and seniors, call 612-626-4728.

Axel & His Dog, a play about WCCO personality Clellan Card who played Axel and delighted children with his top-rated tv show from 1954 to 1966, will

open at 8:00 p.m. Saturday, October 3, at the Great American History Theater, 30 E. 10th St. The comedy, written by Don Stolz, Clellan's sidekick who played the



Elisabeth Comeaux stars in North Star Opera's *Elixir of Love*, at 8:00 p.m. Thursday and Saturday, September 24 and 26, and at 3:00 p.m. Sunday, September 27, in the E.M. Pearson Theatre at Concordia College. For tickets, priced at \$29 and \$32, call 612-870-1099.

puppets Towser and Tallulah, will run until October 25. For tickets, priced from \$16 to \$20, call 651-292-4323.

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A Lindbergh Environmental Film Festival will kick off at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday October 6, at the Minnesota History Center, 345 W. Kellogg Blvd. Lorraine Norrgard's *Wild Rice Harvest* and Tish Stringer and Stefan Iwaskewycz's *BWCA Wilderness Debate: A Cultural Process* will be shown and afterward the creators will participate in a panel discussion. For information, call 651-296-6126.

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The Minnesota Opera will present "Dining, Dancing and Divas," a benefit gala to raise money for the 1999 season, on Saturday, October 3, at the Minnesota Opera Center, 620 N. 1st St., Minneapolis. The evening will begin with a dinner at 6:00 p.m. and continue with a gala from 8:00 p.m. to midnight. For tickets, priced at \$175 for the dinner and gala and \$35 for just the gala, call 612-342-9569.

Exhibits

"The Beatles: Historic Images 1962-1967," an exhibit of rare and never seen photographs by Dezo Hoffmann, will open with a reception from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. Thursday, October 1, at Carmichael and Carmichael Fine Art, 308 Prince St. For information, call 651-225-8970.

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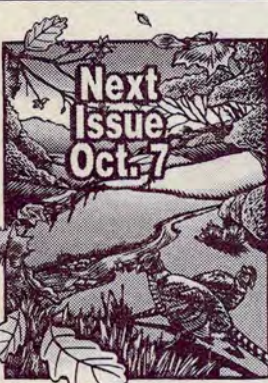
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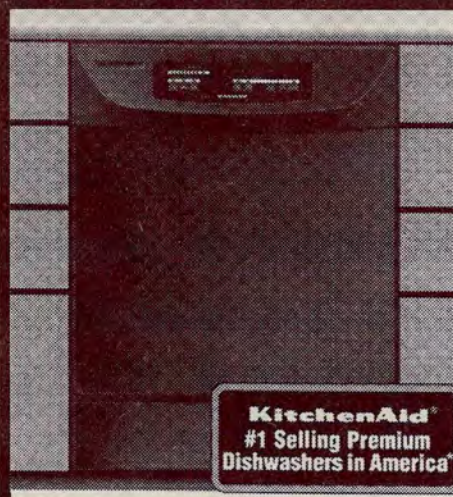
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the Klezmer: Exploring the Jewish Connection." Johnson will join Joe Vass and his five-piece band as guest vocalist with Maggie Burton and Bruce Henry on such classic Gershwin melodies as "Someone to Watch over Me," "The Man I Love" and "It Ain't Necessarily So."

The series will conclude on Saturday, November 28, with a program of songs from the big band era. The concert will fulfill a longtime dream for Johnson: bringing North Dakota's Dick King Classic Swing to a Twin Cities audience. She has traveled frequently to North Dakota to perform with King, who has entertained swing fans for six decades.

"His homey, folksy band is a collection of people who really love to play music," Johnson said. "It's made up of these various people from the Grand Forks area—farmers, music teachers, doctors, clerks."

Rue, who has produced other St. Paul musical events, has high hopes for the series. If it lives up to his expectations, he hopes to create an expanded series next spring.

Rue said he started his career in music because, "I had what a lot of middle-class

kids had: When I was growing up my mother made me take piano lessons." By the time he was 13, he was playing in a band in places he was too young to be in.

"We wore wigs and held cigarettes to look older," Rue said. "You couldn't have long hair in school then."

Johnson also had little formal training. Though she minored in music at Hamline, she said she developed her style by singing "in front of my record player over the years."

She produced three folk albums for Red House Records from 1992-94, including "Little Dreamer," "Sings the Songs of Greg Brown" and "Vocals." She then turned her sights to school and recently completed a bachelor's degree in international relations at Hamline University. Johnson now plans to return to her music career, though she said she also is considering graduate school.

Tickets for the concerts are priced at \$14 for adults, \$10 for children and senior citizens, or \$50 for the series. Tickets may be ordered from Ticket Works at 612-870-1099 or on the Web at www.ticketworks.com.

Miller wins artist fellowship/

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pale, your blonde doll, your beleaguered traveler, because there is no way for me to turn my hot gaze on your world without changing it, I must give up my fever, and you your ministry; we must leave it here in the Bandung Rumah Sakit.

Miller said she chose the title of her new book to represent a departure from the days when women thought they had to have a man in their lives. "A lot of women like me are looking at 40 and saying, 'Wait a minute, where's all this stuff that I was suppose to have? Where's my family? Where's my community?'" she said. "I never made a choice, as far as I could tell, not to do those things. It just so happens that I valued my career a little bit more than the next person, and I guarded it pretty carefully."

Yesterday Had a Man in It is Miller's third collection of poetry. She also is the author of *Ungodliness*, which was nominated for a Minnesota Book Award, and *Staying up for Love*, all from Carnegie Mellon University Press. She has received a fellowship from the National Endowment of the Arts, a previous Loft-McKnight Award and two Minnesota State Arts Board fellowships for poetry. She holds a Ph.D. in literature and creative

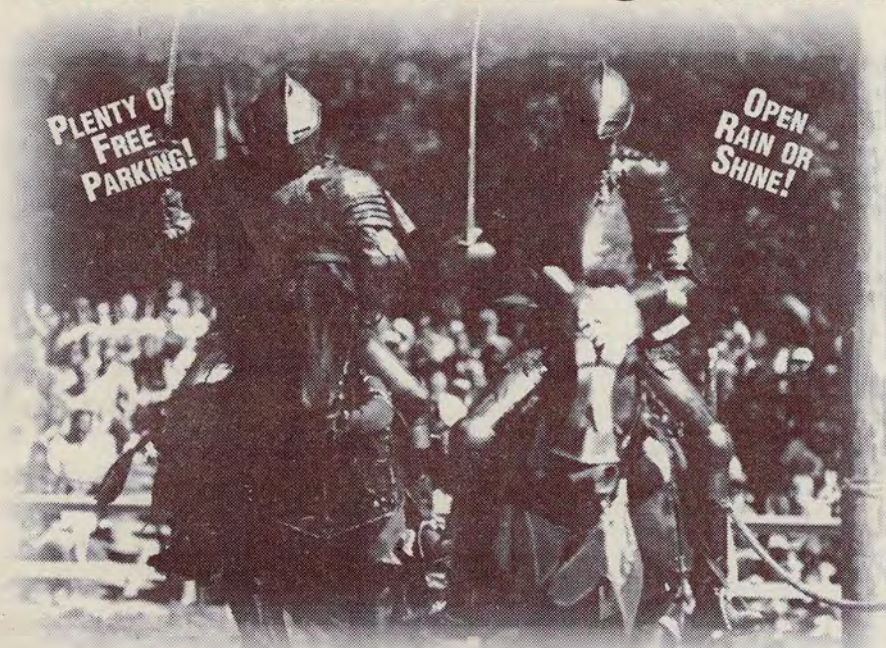
writing from the University of Houston and a master's in creative writing and poetry from the University of Iowa.

Miller began writing poetry when she was 13 and never stopped. "I grew up in a small town with family members who were very connected to each other," she said. "My parents are still together, so I expect that of life and in many cases it's just not there. I live alone here. I'm happy to go back to teaching because my main community is my department, my students and local writers."

Community and connectedness are strong currents that run through much of Miller's poetry. "We can never go back to forms of community that existed before," she said. "There's no point in being nostalgic about that. What we can and should do is look at what forms of community are possible given the world we live in."

Miller will be reading from *Yesterday Had a Man in It* and other poems at 7:30 p.m. Friday, September 25, at the Loft, 66 S.E. Malcolm Ave., Minneapolis. Fellow McKnight poetry award-winner John Reinhard and Fulton will also read from their work. Admission is \$5.00, or \$3.00 for students and seniors.

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New grandeur of game rubs off on the fans

Hollywood would've rejected the script and called the plot preposterous were it fiction, but Mark McGwire's summer-long pursuit of major league baseball's single-season home run record captured America's heart. It's a rare thing indeed when a sporting event drastically alters human behavior, but that's just what happened during the recent assault on the record books. Suddenly, human beings were actually acting decently toward one another.

What would you have done if you'd retrieved the million-dollar 62nd home run baseball? We'd all like to believe that we'd graciously turn it over to McGwire free of charge, which is just what happened. But that kind of generosity is rare in professional sports.

McGwire set the example. Few humans could've withstood the late-season pressure that he faced in breaking Roger Maris' 37-year-old record. But Big Mac did it with grace and a generous nature.

An injury-free season didn't hurt either. McGwire has been nagged by chronic back pain throughout the 1990s, but he successfully avoided the D.L. this season. He hit a grand slam on opening day and had four homers in the St. Louis Cardinals' first four games. To break Maris' record, though, McGwire had to remain red-hot for virtually the entire season. That's just what he did.

Sammy Sosa's heroics helped as well. The Chicago Cubs' slugger played *Les Miserables'* Javert to McGwire's Jean Valjean in pursuing Mac at every turn. Roger Maris had Mickey Mantle sniffing at his heels in 1961. Babe Ruth had Lou Gehrig pushing him during his 60-homer season in 1927. McGwire obliterated the asterisk with ease this season, but without Sosa it might not have happened.

Now Sammy's heading into the final weekend of the season neck-and-neck with McGwire. Like two gunslingers in the Old West, their shootout for the most hallowed of sports records may come down to the final bullet.

TOUGH PICK FOR POSTSEASON HONORS

Given the narrow, albeit unwritten, rules for picking the most valuable player in baseball, there's a good chance that

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Flat bellies, beware

Golfer Brown shoots his age—and loves to beat players who are half of it

by Dick Gordon

Gordon Brown should be an inspiration to all golden-age golfers.

For those who still hit the links after they reach their 70s and 80s, it has long been considered a standard of excellence to shoot one's age. Brown meets that criteria and then some.

The longtime Fairmount Avenue resident and retired 3M executive is now approaching his 79th birthday, which happens to be his average score for the 45 rounds of golf he played at Somerset Country Club in Mendota Heights this past summer. His best score on the par-72 course has been a 74. He has been under 80 nearly 20 times.

Brown was on the course last weekend going for his fourth club championship in a 36-hole match-play showdown against Stan Donnelly III, a Summit Hill resident who is 33 years his junior. Brown previously won the club title in 1962, 1976 and 1989.

Donnelly finally won the tournament, going two-up with a par on the 35th hole.

Even in defeat, Brown managed to shoot lower than his age. He had a 79 in the morning round and was just 3 over par after 17 holes of the afternoon round. Aided by two birdies and an eagle (he holed an approach shot), Brown rallied from four down to go one up after 32 holes. Then Donnelly shot three straight pars that Brown could not match.

In the semifinals, Brown defeated Tim O'Brien, 38, to make it to the title round. "I don't know if I'll be alive at 79, let alone hitting the ball right down the middle and that far (around 235 yards)," O'Brien said about Brown. "I think he's hitting the ball farther than he did five years ago."

The field playing for the club championship also included a golfer still in his teens. "I enjoy playing with people younger than me," Brown said. "I love to beat the flat bellies."

Brown took up golf while growing up in Newark, New Jersey. He captained his Andover, Massachusetts, prep school team and lettered in golf for two years at Yale University. He won the two-



Gordon Brown, 79, follows his drive during a round at the Somerset Country Club, where last weekend Brown just missed winning his fourth club title. Photo by Brad Stauffer.

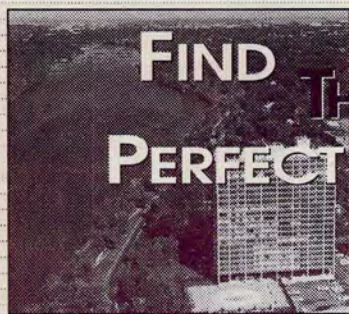
man, four-ball New Jersey state golf championship twice.

"When I was 15, I was good enough to play with low-handicapped golfers ages 30-45," he said. "I

thought of them as old guys, but they taught me a lot about golf, gamesmanship and etiquette."

When he is not beating

Brown/see page 31



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Sibley forward Andi Johnson blocks a shot during the Warriors' 2-0 victory over conference rival Simley last week. Photo by Mike Long.

Sibley strives to overcome injury and inexperience in defense of state title

by Bill Wagner

The state champion Henry Sibley High School girls soccer team is finding out just how hard it will be to defend their crown this fall.

As of September 18, the Warriors were 4-3, including a 2-0 loss to St. Paul Suburban Conference rival South St. Paul. The defeat broke a 20-game winning streak for the Sibley squad.

The Warriors' second loss was a heart-breaking setback at home to Woodbury. Sibley dominated play for most of the second half but still came up short, 2-1. A 2-0 loss to Park on September evened the Warriors' conference record at 3-3.

To Warrior fans who may have been spoiled by last season's success, coach Mike Holbach has two words: Don't panic. The 1998 Warriors, while not as deep as their 1997 counterparts, are good enough to be ranked in the state's top 15, according to their coach.

"I don't think we're there yet," Holbach said, "but I think we'll be right where we want to be by the end of the season."

"We're young," he said. "We graduated five seniors, all of whom had played four years with us. We have only three seniors on the team this year, so we're working some younger kids into the lineup. We're probably not as bal-

anced as last year, but we still have some talent."

That talent was evident in the Warriors' 4-1 non-conference victory over perennial powerhouse Burnsville and a 4-0 win over Hastings.

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"Hastings is a good team with a lot of returning players, but we whacked them," Holbach said. "Then we lost to South St. Paul for the first time in the five years that I've been here. I'm not taking anything away from South St. Paul—they're solid—but we need to find some consistency."

The Warriors have been hurt by injuries to key players, including sophomore goalie Katie Staberg, who notched an amazing 28 shutouts the previous two seasons, and senior forward and halfback Laura Ashley.

Staberg is lost for the season. She had surgery this summer on a knee that she injured last spring while competing in track. Ashley, who was the leading scorer in Class AA in Minnesota last year, missed the Woodbury game with a pulled thigh muscle. Her prognosis as of last week was day to day.

However, Holbach still has some horses he can go to. Senior halfback and forward Tessie Thompson was the number-two scorer in the conference over the past two seasons. Senior midfielder Catherine Keen is another reliable performer, and junior forward Andi Johnson moves the ball well and is adept at creating scoring chances.

Junior sweeper Amanda Phernetton, a two-year starter, performs like the veteran she is. She played in last year's state championship game with what turned out to be a broken leg.

Holbach also cited the progress that has been made by junior for-

Sibley girls/see page 32

CDH, SPA boys soccer teams hope to net a title this fall

by Bill Wagner

There will be a lively battle on October 10 at Midway Stadium when Cretin-Derham Hall and St. Paul Academy battle it out in boys soccer.

As of last week, both the Raiders and Spartans were well on their way to capturing the championship in their conferences—the St. Paul City and the Tri-Metro. Both teams have state tournament aspirations.

Cretin-Derham came up short in its bid to go to state last year by losing in the section fi-

nals. However, this year the Raiders have 12 veterans back, including six starters.

"Talent-wise, I think this is the best team I've had in the 13 years I've been here," said coach Dan Rosen. "We have a real good shot at (going to state). There shouldn't be any team that we aren't able to play with."

Leading the Raiders are senior captains Joe Roedler and Todd Clouser at midfield, and senior B.J. Stevens at sweeper. Roedler is considered one of the top five high school soccer players in the state, while Stevens is extremely quick and has shown a knack for

breaking up opponents' plays.

Clouser adds an interesting dimension to the upcoming match between the Raiders and the Spartans, having played for SPA before transferring before the start of last season. "It happens," said SPA coach Chris Laird about the loss of one of his top players. "I wish Todd all the best—except for when he plays against us."

The Spartans, who were 4-0 as of last week, are rebounding nicely after having fallen to .500 in 1997. The team has overcome some early injuries, and has some solid

core players in senior forward Mike Davis, the club's leading scorer from a year ago, senior midfielder Chris Hart, sophomore halfback Meng Vang and senior defender Dan Stenson.

Though SPA plays in the Tri-Metro, it will face such stalwarts as Edina, Minneapolis South and Cretin-Derham in the Section 5AA playoffs. That means the October 10 contest against the Raiders could be a harbinger of bigger things to come. "It should be a heckuva game," Laird said.

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Cody: MVP no easy pick /from page 29

McGwire won't win the honor in the National League. There's no question that Sosa has been more valuable to the playoff-contending Cubs. If the award is based on team performance at all, then McGwire, with the dismal Cardinals, finishes a distant second. I've long contended that there should be two awards of this type in each league—an MVP award and a separate Player of the Year award. Sosa would get the former, McGwire the latter.

Choosing the MVP in the American League will be no picnic either. I refuse to even acknowledge Albert Belle's presence in the league, but it won't be easy to overlook Ken Griffey Jr.'s numbers. Still, the MVP ought to come from the holy trinity of shortstops—the Yankees' Derek Jeter, Boston's Nomar Garciaparra and Seattle's Alex Rodriguez. All three have put up gaudy offensive stats while patrolling the infield dirt with aplomb. I think Jeter should win the tie-breaker. It would be a crime if this year's MVP weren't a New York Yankee.

Greg Maddux should be a lock to record his fifth NL Cy Young Award. I'd like to see the AL award divided equally between David Cone, David Wells, Pedro Martinez and Roger Clemens.

PURPLE PROMISE

Yes, yes, the Vikings have looked impressive in the early going of the 1998 campaign. Still, I'd hold off on the Super Bowl trip plans if I were you. Denny Green's clubs have a history of fast starts (remember 8-2 a year ago?) and late-season fades, and December hasn't been kind to the Vikings in recent years. Let's see what happens in Green Bay on Monday night, October 5, before we start ordering the championship rings.

While we're at it, let's put a hold on the Randy Moss Hall of Fame T-shirts as well. Is this guy star material? Absolutely. Has he exhibited a pattern of self-destructiveness in his not-so-distant past? Positively. The road to Canton, Ohio, is long and grueling. Just ask Cris Carter. He's been down it.

Both wide receivers suffered a severe blow when Brad Johnson broke his leg in the Rams game. Back-up Randall Cunningham just doesn't have it anymore, and without a quality quarterback, it doesn't much matter who's catching it.

Ultimately, the team's destiny will be decided on the other side of the line of scrimmage. No matter what the offense does, no matter how many touchdown passes Johnson or Cunningham throws, it'll be the Vikings defense that determines the outcome of this season. Nobody wins championships without a dominating defensive squad.

EXTRA INNINGS

The Northern League should strongly consider adjusting its schedule. The St. Paul Saints were boffo box-office again all

summer, then couldn't draw flies to their championship series in early September. People won't leave their homes for anything once the school year starts. It seems the rigors of school lunch preparation preclude any social life.

Simply put, the Saints' season is too long. Memorial Day would make a great opener, and the postseason playoffs should be completed before Labor Day.

Hats off to the NCAA rules committee for its recent decision to restrict aluminum bats. I've seen the carnage these weapons can cause while attending the College World Series in Omaha. Fortunately, no pitchers have been killed to date, and the new restrictions should reduce the potential for serious harm. Last spring I saw a high school player hit a home run with a feeble, check-swing hack. The dinger was without a doubt synthetically generated by a \$200 Red Line aluminum bat. They're no good for the game. Bring back the Louisville lumber.

IN STEP WITH THE PREPS

Several area high schools have high hopes of success in this fall's tennis and cross country competition. In the St. Paul City Conference, girls tennis should be dominated by Central's Laura Amundson and Cretin-Derham Hall's Laura Colaizy, Liz Distad and Rhiannon Fermoye. As usual, CDH and Central should battle for the city title.

Girls cross country has been Central's domain for the past decade or so, and strong runners like Molly Barker and Laura Puckett are expected to keep it that way. CDH's Fermoye, a two-sporter this fall, is another excellent distance runner. In boys cross country, Central's Paul Discher and Brian Donald rank among the best.

Among the top scorers in boys soccer this fall are Joe Roedler of CDH, who had 4 goals and 4 assists in the early going; Mike Langer, Sibley, 4 goals and 3 assists; Joe Schmidt, CDH, 4 and 1; Dan Schmidt, CDH, 2 and 3; and Jacob Grun, Sibley, 4 and 1. Laura Ashley of Sibley is the top scorer in girls soccer locally with 4 goals and 3 assists.

Several area athletes have turned in outstanding performances on the gridiron this fall. St. Paul Academy quarterback T.J. Prunty passed for 324 yards in the season's first two games. Quarterbacks David Raih (St. Thomas Academy, 282 yards), Dan Salmen (CDH, 185 yards) and Ryan Gilson (Central, 176 yards) were right behind him. Top receivers locally include Sundai Griffin (SPA, 94 yards); Nick Thompson (CDH, 92); David Jones (Highland Park, 91); Celtan Burch (Central, 87); Sam Polk (SPA, 79). Top local rushers include Rasheem Sharpe (Central, 239 yards, 4 touchdowns); Andy Gross (Sibley, 222 yards, 3 TDs); Heighlos Riser (HP, 221 yards, 4 TDs); and Joe Vannelli (CDH, 169 yards, 4 TDs).

Brown can still shoot his age /from page 29

men less than half his age, Brown can be found taking on players from his own generation. He has won Somerset's senior championship 17 times in the last 20 years.

"He's phenomenal," said Gene Engelbert, a contemporary of Brown and frequent member of his foursome. "He's a fine putter and is great around the greens. It's amazing—he's just a helluva golfer."

Brown said he prefers match play in golf (where one gets a point for winning the hole) over medal competition (where one competes for the lowest overall score). "That way one bad hole doesn't kill you," he said.

In his prime, Brown sported a 2 handicap and once shot a 6-under-par 66 at Somerset. This year, his handicap has crept up to 4. "I'd guess I've lost about 20 yards off the tee," he said.

Brown uses a high-tech Cobra driver to get more power off the tee. He also employs a 7-wood instead of a 3-iron on long approach shots. However, those are about the only concessions he has given to age.

Several years ago, he changed his eating habits and lost 25 pounds. Today, he indulges in a regular routine of stretching exercises and nominal weight-lifting to help maintain flexibility, and he still walks most of his rounds.

Brown, who heads south to play golf during the winter months, figures he has played about 65 rounds so far this year and has no plans to cut down on that schedule in 1999.

"God willing," he said with a smile, he sees no reason why he can't keep on showing younger golfers a thing or two well into the next century.

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Central (2-1)

Sept. 4 vs. Arlington	41-13
Sept. 10 vs. Humboldt	8-24
Sept. 17 vs. Como Park	30-22
Sept. 25 vs. Harding	
Oct. 1 vs. Johnson	
Oct. 10 vs. Highland Park	
Oct. 16 vs. Cretin-Derham Hall	
Oct. 21 vs. Minneapolis city team	

Cretin-Derham Hall (3-0)

Sept. 3 vs. Humboldt	38-0
Sept. 11 vs. Harding	63-7
Sept. 19 vs. Johnson	21-12
Sept. 24 vs. Como Park	
Oct. 2 vs. Highland Park	
Oct. 9 vs. Arlington	
Oct. 16 vs. Central	
Oct. 21 vs. Minneapolis city team	

Henry Sibley (1-2)

Sept. 4 vs. Spring Lake Park	6-27
Sept. 11 at North St. Paul	17-20
Sept. 18 at Simley	40-19
Sept. 25 at Hastings	
Oct. 2 vs. Woodbury	
Oct. 9 at Tartan	
Oct. 16 vs. St. Thomas Academy	
Oct. 21 at South St. Paul	

Highland Park (3-0)

Sept. 3 vs. Harding	31-14
Sept. 11 vs. Como Park	33-7
Sept. 18 vs. Arlington	29-0
Sept. 25 vs. Johnson	
Oct. 2 vs. Cretin-Derham Hall	
Oct. 10 vs. Central	
Oct. 16 vs. Humboldt	
Oct. 21 vs. Minneapolis city team	

Mpls. Roosevelt (3-0)

Sept. 3 vs. North	19-12
Sept. 11 vs. Edison	20-0
Sept. 18 at Southwest	35-0
Sept. 25 at Moorhead	
Oct. 3 vs. South	
Oct. 9 vs. Washburn	
Oct. 14 at Henry	
Oct. 21 vs. St. Paul city team	

Minnehaha Academy (0-3)

Sept. 3 vs. St. Anthony	0-29
Sept. 11 at Blake	14-17
Sept. 18 vs. De La Salle	7-50
Sept. 25 at Rush City	
Oct. 3 vs. St. Bernard's	
Oct. 9 at St. Agnes	
Oct. 15 at St. Paul Academy	
Oct. 21 vs. Breck	

St. Paul Academy (2-1)

Sept. 4 at Randolph	40-22
Sept. 11 vs. St. Agnes	0-28
Sept. 18 vs. St. Bernard's	32-18
Sept. 26 at Blake	
Oct. 3 at Breck	
Oct. 8 vs. De La Salle	
Oct. 15 vs. Minnehaha Academy	
Oct. 22 vs. Hinckley-Finlayson	

St. Thomas Academy (1-2)

Sept. 4 vs. Hastings	13-31
Sept. 11 at Woodbury	0-21
Sept. 18 vs. Park of Cottage Grove	27-21
Sept. 25 at Superior, Wisconsin	
Oct. 2 vs. Tartan	
Oct. 9 at Simley	
Oct. 16 at Henry Sibley	
Oct. 21 vs. North St. Paul	



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Sibley halfback Tessie Thompson brings the ball up the field during the Warriors' 2-0 victory over Simley last week. Photo by Mike Long.

Sibley girls soccer

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ward Britt Edmeyer, junior fullback Robin Enderlein and three of his defenders—sophomores Gina Daily and Heather Maracle and freshman Tori Keen. The coach is also heartened by the play of junior Katie Carroll, who has been filling in at goalie for the disabled Staberg.

"(Carroll) is a good athlete with good hands and instincts," Holbach said. "She hasn't let us down."

Still, the Warriors will need to recuperate if they are to challenge for a title this year. Ashley has had to play through the pain of a sprained ankle. Johnson was kicked in the face and sidelined in the late stages of the Woodbury game. The Warriors' ranks were so thin during the second half of that contest that Carroll had to be pulled from the goal and placed at defender, her natural position.

A healthy Ashley is nearly impossible to

stop, Holbach said, unless the opposition resorts to knocking her down whenever she gets the ball. "That's pretty much what South St. Paul did when we played them," he said. "But Laura is very difficult to keep in check."

"I'd never been hurt in my life before this year," said Ashley, who has been ranked among the top five high school soccer players in the state. "I just need to get better. We can be a good team. We're not there yet, but by playoff time we can be. Our young kids just need to get some experience."

"Losing Staberg was a huge blow," Ashley said. "But Katie Carroll has been getting better and better."

Sibley, despite its success, doesn't have the numbers of other high school programs. But, as Holbach said, "it doesn't matter so much how many players you have out for the team, as long as you have the right players out."

SPORTS SHORTS



An all-star team of 15-year-olds from the Hi-Tower Babe Ruth league placed first last month in the Highland Fest baseball tournament. Pictured from left are: (back) coach John St. Albans and Jack Egan, Cale Leiviska, Mark Dunnigan, John Bretzke, Mark Sullivan, Matt Egan, Brian Hochs, Louis Skowyra, coach Andy Bischoff; (front) batboy Nicky Skowyra, Steve Miller, Rob Runyon, Adam Johnson and Darren Richardson. Not pictured are Andy Rheim and coach Sean VanGemert.

The St. Paul Men's 4.0 Tennis Team will compete in the USTA national championships on October 16 in Tucson, Arizona. The team, which is led by co-captains Eric Narvaez of Macalester-Groveland and Peter Hahn of White Bear Lake, compiled a 17-1 record en route to league, Twin Cities and sectional titles. Macalester College graduate Sam Ridders has gone undefeated for the team this season.

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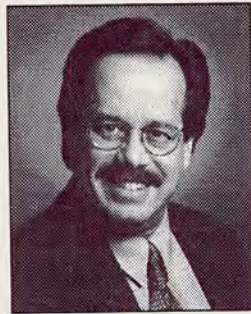
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Former T & C caddies return to links for a round of golf and reminiscing

by Tom Cody

More than 140 former Town and Country Club caddies will return to the historic links September 28 to play in the 66th annual Old-Tyme Caddies Golf Tournament. The event brings together longtime friends from all over the country.

"It's actually become too popular," said Tom Haugh, president of the association of former caddies and a West 7th Street resident. "We've got about 60 guys on the waiting list to get into the tourney. It's a pretty good deal—to golf at Town and Country, get dinner and door prizes, all for 30 bucks. The club gives us the course for free, just like they did on Mondays in the old days."

Times have changed at the century-old country club at Marshall and Otis avenues. When Haugh caddied there in the late 1950s, more than 400 youngsters were registered. "My first year, I was number 369," Haugh said. "I worked my way up to number 14 before I quit (at 16)."

Since then, the rising popularity of golf carts and the smaller population of youngsters has cut into the caddy ranks. Town and Country golf professional Terry Hogan said he had about 140 caddies working the course this summer, but he sees the demand for their services on the upswing.

"We've got a lot of new, younger members at the club these days," Hogan said. "A lot of them prefer walking to taking a cart, and that creates the need for caddies. This is a great job for a young kid. You can learn some things about the game, meet some quality people and make a few bucks. Caddies today make

\$18 to \$20 (for a round of 18 holes) here."

"I made 50 cents a round," recalled Woody Schilling, a former Town and Country caddy who will be playing in Monday's tournament. "Of course, that was in 1926 when I started. I caddied well past high school. There were no other jobs during the Depression. I'm 85 years old now. I've played in 40 of these caddy tourneys. A lot of my old playing partners have passed on, but I'm still looking forward to seeing the ones who are there."

"I started at age 10," said Frank McDonough, 72. "By 1937 the pay was 60 cents a round. You showed up at dawn for roll call to see if your number came up. If you didn't get out, you could play handball. They had courts set up for the caddies. Otherwise, we'd sneak over to Gub's Candy Store (formerly located at Otis and Marshall). There weren't any McDonald's back then; this was the only job in town. My mom took a quarter from me every time I caddied. She saved them until she had \$21.80 and bought me a brand new bike at Wards."

"The funny thing about the Town and Country course is that it hasn't changed at all since those days," McDonough said. "The 18 holes play pretty much the same as they did in the '30s. Monday's going to be fun. We'll hear a lot of stories and the camaraderie is amazing. There'll be guys coming in from Tennessee, California, the East Coast, all over."

"You can't play in the tourney unless you've been a caddy at T & C and have been out of it for 20 years or more," Haugh said. "If you miss (the event) three years in a row, you're off the mailing list. The tournament is certainly not a competitive one. We have three age divisions,



Some of the current crop of caddies await their assignments just after dawn on a recent Saturday in the caddy shack at Town and Country Club: (from left) Reid Mahon, Ryan Paitich, Kevin Renslow, Wade Walters, Ian McHattie, Matt Mahmoodi, Andrew Thomas, Steve Lyon, Dan Hottinger and Mark Phillippi. Photo by Michael Dvorak.

but the main competition involves telling stories.

"When I caddied, if you didn't get out on the course by 10:00 in the morning, you weren't going to get out at all," Haugh said. "We'd make the most of those days. We'd play under the (Lake Street) bridge. We'd play cards in the caves. We'd cross the bridge over to Lake Street and get French fries at the Flat Top Drive-In. There are a million stories from those days."

"There used to be a caddy, I don't remember his name, who would do anything for money," McDonough recalled. "He bet the rest of us that he could jump off the Lake Street Bridge. He actually practiced for this by jumping off his house. He went out one afternoon and he did it—he jumped off the bridge! He landed in the river, swam to shore.

He was OK."

"Some of the caddies would try to sneak off someplace to smoke, but most of them found better things to do with their time," Hogan said. "We really encouraged our caddies to play the course and learn the game of golf. We opened our course to the caddies on Monday mornings and we'd give a clinic now and then."

"I know I spent every day of the summer at that place in 1963," said Ed Walsh, a Macalester-Groveland resident who caddied at T & C throughout the early '60s. "I started as caddy No. 430 and I made \$2.50 a round."

"The tournament will be special for a lot of the old caddies," Walsh said. "There'll be brothers, uncles, cousins, nephews, neighbors all playing together on Monday morning again."



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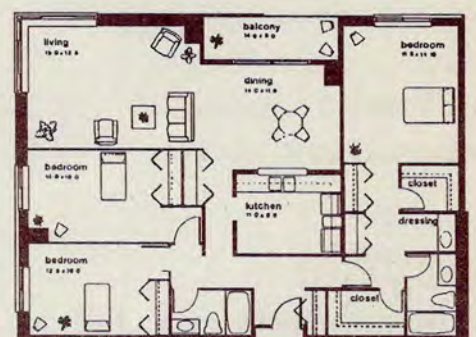
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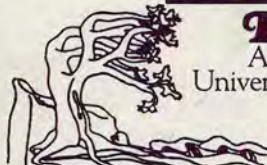
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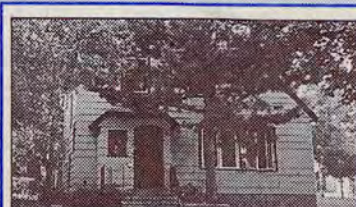
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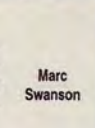
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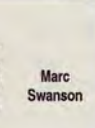


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