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Road work will test the patience of local residents this summer

by T. D. Mischke

Just when the warm winds and the green trees make you feel good about going outside again, it will return like a bad memory: road construction season. The smell of tar, the orange signs, the dirt and the dust, the interminable traffic delays—they'll all be back.

Although Twin Cities residents have learned to look on every summer as road construction season, this summer's work is likely to prove especially trying for local residents.

According to officials with the St. Paul Department of Public Works, sewer-separation projects will, at various times this summer, close portions of Mississippi River Boulevard and Cretin, Cleveland, Snelling, Summit, Ham-

line and St. Clair avenues. And those are just the arterial streets scheduled for construction. Numerous residential streets will also be shut down.

St. Paul is now in year four of a 10-year project to separate storm sewers from the sewers that carry waste. Public Works officials say they are well aware of the problems caused each year by their work, but they also say the amount of work scheduled for this summer is necessary to keep on their 10-year schedule.

"We are aware that this is going to cause some traffic problems," said city sewer engineer Joe Mueller. "It's going to affect both residential areas and local businesses. But we've worked with

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The "road closed" sign on St. Clair Avenue just west of Dunlap Street may have seemed a tad superfluous given the huge mounds of dirt and the presence of so much

construction equipment. Area residents can expect to see a lot more streets in this condition as the city continues work on sewer-separation projects this summer.

Memoirs chronicle life in city's early Jewish community

by Terry Andrews

When she was in college during the Roaring '20s, Sara Bashefkin Ryder made a list of goals she wanted to accomplish in her life. Those goals included teaching, becoming a school principal and writing a book. This spring, with the publication of *Of Thee I Write*, a short collection of reminiscences, she has now achieved every goal on her list. And at 82, Ryder is ready to slow down.

"A couple people want me to turn one of the stories in my book into a play," she said. "But I'm mentally tired. I don't want to do it myself."

It's hard to envision a tired Ryder. When

she greeted a recent visitor to her apartment in the Wellington, the Shepard Park complex where she has lived for the past year and a half, she talked nonstop, dishing out anecdotes, opinions and witty remarks at a fierce pace. Her visitor, an adult, was late. Ryder, ever the principal, said, "Do you have a note from your mother?"

Sara Ryder was raised on the West Side Flats (an area of St. Paul that has since given way to industrial development) in the early part of the century. She was one of seven daughters of poor Russian immigrants. Her father was a junk dealer, but both parents believed in the value of education and saved their money so their daughters could go to

college.

As a young girl, Ryder planned to become a doctor. She spent hours in the library reading books about science. One day the librarian found her with an illustrated volume of anatomy. Ryder was 7. "The librarian called my mother and said it was a terrible thing for a girl her age to be reading such a book. My mother said, 'She has our permission. Leave her alone to read what she wants.'"

That year, Ryder and some girlfriends found a human fetus in the dump near her house. "I knew what it was because I had read those books," she recalled. "It had its throat slit from ear to ear. I took it to our grocer and showed it to him. He was the only

one with a phone. He called someone to come get it."

Ryder tells about that incident in the story "The Dump." She used to go regularly to the State Street dump to look for treasures—rubber bands to make a rubber ball, colored glass to play hopscotch, discarded fruit that was still edible.

Her stories paint a vivid picture of the Jewish community that inhabited the West Side Flats: the women gathered in the streets speaking Yiddish, the children buying ice cream cones for a penny or waving to the passing trains to get the engineers to throw

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Retraction

The April 26, 1989, edition of the *Highland Villager* incorrectly reported that developers of the Village Mall in Highland had failed to respond to a foreclosure lawsuit, and that therefore Midwest Federal Mortgage Company was in a position to proceed with foreclosure. The report was based on faulty information obtained by the *Villager* from officials at Ramsey County District Court.

In fact, the developers, Ford Mall Associates and its partners, have submitted a defense and counterclaim in the foreclosure action, and the litigation is now pending in Ramsey County District Court.

According to an attorney for one of the partners, attorneys for the parties are attempting to work out a resolution whereby construction of the shopping center will be completed to enable future tenants to open for business. Until the lawsuit is settled, no foreclosure can go forward.

The *Villager* regrets the error.

Retail center planned for Parkway Motel site

by Jane St. Anthony

Parkway Plaza, a 38,000-square-foot shopping center proposed for the northeast corner of Hiawatha Avenue and Minnehaha Parkway in South Minneapolis, is scheduled to be open for business this coming December.

The Parkway Motor Hotel, which opened on the site in 1949 and ceased operations this March, will be razed in June to make way for the \$3.2 million project. The adjacent Canteen Cafe will remain open.

According to Brad Pfaff, leasing director for Urban Commercial Developers Inc., tenants of the shopping cen-

ter will include a Walgreens drug store, Mario's Ristorante, Subway Sandwiches, an Asian restaurant, Family Hair Care, a dry cleaners, a video store and 10 other retail stores. He said negotiations are also under way with a hardware store and a yogurt shop.

"The primary reason (for developing the center) is the void in shopping centers, the lack of retailers, on the west side of the river," Pfaff said. "Our market is the local population—within one to two miles—that goes to Highland for shopping."

Pfaff also said that while

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the new shopping center will get more exposure when the upgrading of Hiawatha Avenue is complete, that was a "secondary consideration" in choosing a site. The first phase of the long-awaited Hiawatha redevelopment is scheduled to be done in 1991.

According to demographic data supplied by Urban Commercial Developers, traffic counts at the intersection show 22,000 vehicles traveling on Hiawatha each day and another 6,000 on Minnehaha Parkway. The shopping center will have its own access off Hiawatha.

Frank Esposito, owner of Mario's Ristorante, said he is excited about moving to the shopping center from his current location at South 23rd Avenue and East 38th Street.

"I really believe that most people from the area end up going to Bloomington or St. Paul, rather than downtown," he said. Having Mario's in the neighborhood will give area residents a good reason to dine close to home, he said. The space he is leasing

Parkway Plaza will join two other enterprises that have recently sprung up along the east side of Hiawatha Avenue.

at Parkway Plaza will give him twice the room Mario's has at its current location, he added.

While Esposito is entertaining thoughts of more space and more business, Jerry Polkinghorne, who co-owns the Parkway Motor Hotel with his brother, Dick, said he has been "too busy to have a lot of thoughts" as he ties up loose ends at the motel. His father opened a gas station on the corner in 1941, and a family business has been at the intersection ever since.

"We almost made it 50



The Parkway Motor Hotel at Hiawatha Avenue and Minnehaha Parkway in South Minneapolis will be demolished

years," Polkinghorne said. Parkway Plaza will join two other enterprises that have recently sprung up along the east side of Hiawatha be-

tween 46th Street and Minnehaha Parkway. A Burger King opened in March 1988 at 4605 Hiawatha, and an Amoco gas station-food store

opened just north of there last summer. Pfaff said Urban Commercial Developers has also been responsible for developing

Calhoun Village, a retail center near Lake Calhoun in Minneapolis, and several out-of-state shopping centers over the past 15 years.

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local district councils to make it the least troublesome that we can. That means keeping contractors on a tight schedule so that we can have the work finished as fast as possible and making sure we don't have parallel streets being worked on at the same time. When Cleveland is being worked on, we'll want Cretin open, or when Snelling is being worked on, we'll have Fairview clear."

Don Tufte, a traffic technician in the city's traffic engineering division, said the impact of the sewer work is already being felt. With Hamline Avenue closed, he said, peak-hour traffic has been almost bumper to bumper on Snelling. Tufte said the city has tried to detour traffic to Lexington Parkway, but the vast majority of drivers continue opting for Snelling.

According to Tufte, Snell-

ing will be the only arterial street that will remain open to four-lane traffic during peak hours. The other arterials will be reduced, at various times, to either two lanes or will be closed to traffic for the duration of construction.

Three separate construction projects, meanwhile, will be taking place on Mississippi River Boulevard this summer. Along with the continuation of the city's repaving project, which will stretch from the intersection of the river road and Cretin Avenue north to Dayton Avenue, the city will also be completing sewer work on that stretch of road as well as beginning work on the St. Paul side of the river for the new Lake Street-Marshall Avenue Bridge.

District 14 Community Organizer Kathie Tarnowski

said that while the problems caused by work on arterial streets will be an inconvenience, they pale in comparison to the web of construction going on in residential areas. Tarnowski said so many streets are being torn up near Hamline and St. Clair avenues that a whole neighborhood is being virtually closed off, and that residents are angry over the city's scheduling. She said the idea of avoiding simultaneous work on parallel arterial streets was a good one that should have carried over to work on residential streets.

"You're talking about work being done simultaneously on St. Clair, Sargent, Fairmount, Goodrich, Syndicate and Griggs," Tarnowski said. "People are having to park out on Hamline and walk into the neighborhoods."

Kate Hebel, who lives in the midst of all the construction work at 1301 Fairmount Ave., has been on the phone with city officials on a regular basis, complaining and making inquiries about everything from signs prohibiting parking from April to November to huge uncovered holes that have become dangerous playgrounds for neighborhood children. On the day she was called for this story, her water had been shut off with no warning.

"Trying to visit someone around here is kind of a joke right now," Hebel said. "It seems they could have gone about this in a better manner. If you're going to do construction, you ought to at least coordinate it so this kind of thing doesn't happen."

Hebel also pointed out that

the neighborhood is being affected by more than just the sewer work this summer.

She said NSP is under a separate contract to rework gas lines in the area, and Public Works is also replacing lead water lines with copper pipes.

"These people are not doing all of their work together," she said, "so when one project finishes we're just kind of stuck sitting around waiting for the next part of it to start."

As far as businesses are concerned, probably no one is taking as bad a beating as the Tom Thumb at 1275 St. Clair Ave. The convenience store is virtually isolated by the construction and has been trying to survive on sales to construction workers.

"You can still get to our lot from the alley," said assistant

manager Jerry Downs, "but people are definitely shying away and sales are down quite a bit. We've had to depend on walk-in traffic, and no customer like that is going to be buying many bags of groceries."

Tarnowski said she has been in touch with Ward 3 City Councilmember Bob Long to point out the difficulties that result from a failure to stagger the construction projects. She said she hopes the city will learn from this experience before beginning projects in other neighborhoods scheduled for sewer work.

Tufte, meanwhile, said the bulk of the work in the Macalester-Groveland neighborhood will be completed this summer and fall, and that the project will move into the Highland area next year.

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Temple, Twin Cities to pay tribute to retiring Rabbi Raskas May 21

Rabbi Bernard S. Raskas, the spiritual leader at Temple of Aaron Synagogue for the past 38 years, will be retiring this summer. Before he does, the community will honor him with a tribute and reception from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Sunday, May 21, at the synagogue, 616 S. Mississippi River Blvd.

In retirement, Raskas plans to spend more time with his family and grandchildren and in traveling as much as possible, he said. He will continue teaching at Macalester College and devoting time to his own scholarship and writing.

Under Raskas' leadership, the Temple of Aaron congregation has grown from 600 to 1,300 families. It also constructed a new building that has been recognized professionally as an outstanding example of contemporary Jewish architecture.

Last year, Raskas received the Jewish Theological Seminary's Distinguished Rabbinic Service Award, its highest honor, and he became the first rabbi from the Midwest to win the national Rabbinical Assembly's prestigious Agus Award for scholarship as a pulpit rabbi.

But Raskas' influence has not been limited to the members of his congregation. His moral leadership and religious guidance have touched people of many faiths, and his writings have been read by people throughout the world.

"I became a rabbi because I loved Judaism and people," Raskas has said. "I find that by serving as a rabbi I can continue to advance the Jewish tradition and also help human beings. Being a rabbi means not only preparing for services and sermons, but also being available to help people in counseling."

St. Paul Mayor George Latimer described Raskas as a "beacon in the area of human rights and human needs," and called him a moral leader and a friend who gave



Rabbi Bernard Raskas

him support and encouragement at difficult times during his years in office. Latimer asked Raskas to give the invocation at his first inauguration in 1976 and at every one of his inaugurations since then.

Raskas often volunteered his services to Jewish people who were ill and in the hospital but who weren't affiliated with a synagogue, said the Reverend Edwin Wittenburg, an Episcopal priest and the director of pastoral care at United Hospital. Wittenburg said he always admired Raskas' ability to bring people together. "We worked together and we were friends," he said.

Archbishop John Roach called Raskas an "old friend" as well, and described him as "a leader in inter-religious cooperation" who has been a part of the Jewish-Christian dialogue for many years.

Raskas was the first instructor of Judaica at Macalester College. He also taught Hebrew language to a group of professors at the College of St. Catherine, and was instrumental in lining up other rabbis to teach Biblical studies and Hebrew studies at the school, according to Sister Alberta Huber, president of St. Catherine's from 1964 to 1979.

Huber invited Raskas to join the college's President's Council, an advisory group, and the two of them worked together on the presentation

of a Hebrew liturgical service in the chapel at St. Catherine's—a choral production with orchestral accompaniment that was more art than liturgy but controversial at the time among both Christians and Jews.

"Rabbi Raskas is a very tolerant, sympathetic sort of person," Huber said. "He is a person of high principles, with a very good sense of who he is—he knows what his talents are and what his limitations are. He's somebody who has it together."

Raskas is the author of two books, the trilogy *Heart of Wisdom* and a volume of his sermons. He also has edited three other books, and has contributed articles to numerous publications, ranging from the *American Jewish World* and the *Reader's Digest* to the *Catholic Digest*. He is now writing a series of four booklets about spirituality, the first meditation booklets on the Jewish faith to be published.

Ron Clark, editorial page editor for the *St. Paul Pioneer Press Dispatch*, has run about two articles by Raskas each year for the past five or six years, op-ed pieces on a wide range of ethical issues.

Raskas was ordained in 1949, and served his first pulpit in Cleveland with a small congregation that he started. He was conferred with the degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1975, and also did postgraduate work in comparative religion and anthropology at Western Reserve University in Cleveland.

His commitment to scholarship has been fired, he said, by "a relentless search for truth. It is in art, music, people, not just books."

"I am deeply aware that no one achieves alone. In the synagogue, what I've accomplished has been with the help of lay people, and scholarship has come about with good teachers and good heritage and tradition—the Jewish tradition and the American democratic heritage."

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Sara Bashefkin Ryder has lots of memories about growing up on St. Paul's West Side Flats, and she has gathered some of them together in *Of Thee I Write*, a short collection of reminiscences.

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coal down to them. Ryder would take the chunks of coal home to heat her family's house.

Ryder went to St. Cloud Teachers College, working on weekends to help pay her tuition. When she graduated, she found very few schools would hire someone Jewish. Finally, however, she found a job in Nemadji. One of the other teachers, she writes in her book, always kept a tank full of gas in her old Dodge coupe so that in case of a forest fire "we could have a quick getaway."

Ryder received her M.A. from the University of Minnesota in 1940 and then began working in the St. Paul Public School system, where she taught in several schools, including Central High School. She went on to become a principal at Franklin Elementary School.

"That was the toughest school in the city then," she said. "There were students who had stilettos in their boots; a couple had derringers. But my reputation as a disciplinarian preceded me. I let them know I could be as tough as they could, and then I worked to earn their trust."

She started both a private breakfast program and a clothes closet to feed and clothe needy youngsters at the school. Children would come to her for mittens or shoes or chocolate milk.

"The kids were starving," she said. "I had cans of Hershey's syrup in the storeroom, and I would invite these kids in and make them drink a glass of milk with a shot of chocolate. I bought excess government meat and made hamburgers for them." Although Ryder got many donations of clothing from businesses, she paid for much of the food herself.

One day her car had a flat tire, and one of her students told her she shouldn't be driving an old car like that. "He said, 'You should have a Cadillac. I'll get you one.' I told him no, but a short time later he was arrested for car theft," she said.

Ryder retired in 1975 as principal of Ran-

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"I've had a good life, a full life."

dolph Heights Elementary School. She is now an active lobbyist for the St. Paul Retired Teachers organization. "I'm on the Committee of Nine," she said. "I helped organize it. We're the political arm of the Board of Trustees of the St. Paul teachers' retirement fund. We're trying to keep the pension fund solvent and to increase benefits."

She also takes three classes: exercise, relaxation and creative writing. "I don't want to vegetate," she said.

Ryder is a natural storyteller, and her life experiences have provided a wealth of material. Leading into a story, she'll say, "This might sound like myth or gospel or prevarication, but it's true," or "There was a legislator who had a voice more raucous than mine." And then add as an aside: "People think I'm demanding and didactic with this voice, but underneath this pseudo-facade I'm a big marshmallow."

She wrote *Of Thee I Write* to tell her story. "I wanted to tell it in my own way, the way I speak," she said. "I've had a good life, a full life." The book, she said, is "a panorama of what was."

The Wellington sponsored an autographing party for Ryder on April 23, and the Jewish Community Center, 1375 St. Paul Ave., will sponsor one May 25 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Her book is available at the Wellington and at Odegard Books St. Paul.

As DFL convention nears, mayoral hopefuls court wavering delegates

by Roger Fuller

The three St. Paul mayoral candidates seeking DFL endorsement will be paying close attention over the next 10 days to the 119 city convention delegates who remain uncommitted.

Ward 2 City Councilmember Jim Scheibel, the front-runner, will be seeking to expand his base of 41 percent of the delegates. Substantial help from the uncommitted delegates, who will make up 23 percent of the convention, will be vital if Scheibel is to capture the 60 percent needed for an endorsement.

Ray Faricy and Norman Coleman, the other candidates, will be looking for

enough help from the uncommitted delegates to stop a Scheibel bandwagon. Faricy has the support of 22 percent of the delegates, and Coleman has 14 percent.

The DFL City Convention will be held on Saturday, May 20, at Harding High School on St. Paul's East Side. Delegates to the convention were selected at ward conventions on April 1 and 8.

Coleman, until recently the state solicitor general, said he plans to meet with as many of the 119 uncommitted delegates as possible before May 20. "I have established contact with about 100," he said. Coleman said he has been forming strong

pockets of support among the uncommitted delegates, including those from Ward 7 on the East Side. He predicted that he will have more than half the delegates from that area on the first ballot.

Faricy acknowledged that Scheibel is the frontrunner, but he questioned his ability to capture the endorsement.

"Jim will do a bit better than his 41 percent, but I can't see him topping out much higher than 48 or 49 percent," Faricy said. "At some point, the Scheibel delegates will have to realize their candidate will not be endorsed. Jim has been out front working on this for a year. He has had a lot of publicity. If he can't get the party

behind him with these advantages, then I think it is something that's not meant to be."

Scheibel campaign manager Tom Welna said the possibility of Scheibel withdrawing from the race has not been discussed. "If that were to happen, it would have to involve some other factor than just not getting the endorsement," he said. Welna said the Scheibel campaign commissioned an independent poll that showed Scheibel leading the pack among the general public.

"In a poll of 300 persons likely to vote in the primary, the results showed 32 percent uncommitted, 28 percent for Scheibel, 12 percent for Bob Fletcher, 10 percent

each for Faricy and Chris Nicosia, and 5 percent for Coleman," Welna said.

The poll also showed Scheibel with the highest favorable rating among the voters, and Fletcher with the highest unfavorable rating, Welna said. Fletcher and Nicosia are independent candidates who plan to enter the primary without seeking party backing.

Coleman campaign manager Carrie Orth discounted the poll. "A poll taken this early in the game is mainly a matter of name recognition, not electability," she said. "It also has a margin of error of 8 percent, which is pretty high."

Faricy said his campaign committee has been calling all the delegates, not just the uncommitted ones. "We're going after the Scheibel delegates and picking up promises to shift from Jim to me on the second or third ballot," he said.

Welna said courting the uncommitted delegates has been a slow process this year.

"Unlike most campaigns I've been on, where they say they're uncommitted but for somebody, these people are really uncommitted," Welna said. "They are asking Jim some very tough questions, tougher than I would think of asking myself."

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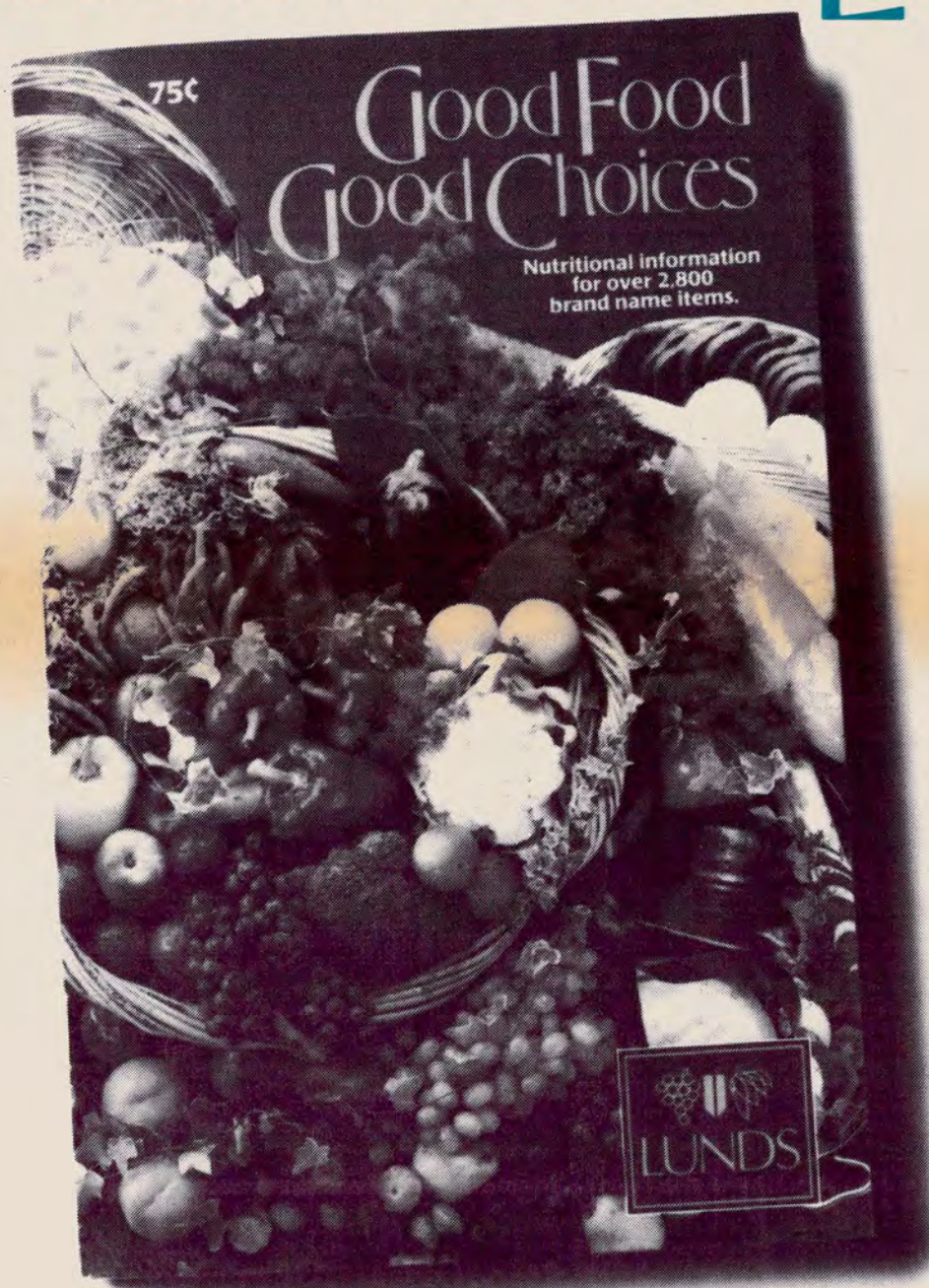
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by Maurice Mischke

Random thoughts while scanning a raft of headlines over the past several days...

St. Paul boy, 16, charged in slaying of long-time friend

What a friendship that couldn't even survive a short-term spat. How could he even *think* to bring a gun into the picture? Talk about a short fuse.

Twins lose two more

Looks as though there are at least four teams in the American League's Western Division that are going to be tough to top. Where does that leave our Twins? In fifth place.

Tigers' Morris beats A's for first victory of season

If Morris, the Highland Park native, can finally get squared away against one of the league's better teams—after six straight losses—maybe Frank Viola is ready for some sweeter music, too. After five on the loss side, he should be. If not, picking up those humongous checks every couple of weeks could become terribly embarrassing.

Mondale weighs pros, cons of Senate race

The way it usually works, you only go around once. Making well into six figures as a partner at the Minneapolis-based Dorsey & Whitney law firm, what can Mondale possi-

bly gain? Of course, that doesn't mean Fritz might not be dumb enough to listen to some DFL blandishments and try to become a retread Senator. I wouldn't wager too many bobs on his tie and suit coat, though, when faced with the array of plaid shirts Rudy Boschwitz will bring to the campaign.

Rudy '90 buttons surfacing at Capitol

That's Rudy *Perpich* '90, by the way, and I doubt that they're referring to the U.S. Senate race. Rudy P. seems to have gotten to like that big house on Summit Avenue, and who am I to say he won't make it again? It would take a lot more unity than the IR party has exhibited thus far to make a real fight of the governor's race.

Drugs, taxes worry St. Paul

The Minnesota Poll also found lots of fretting about companies moving and closing. But don't expect the latter concern to get the ear of our legislators. They don't catch on so quickly. Wouldn't you be surprised if they actually held down taxes for business this time around? Problem is, all that counts is votes, and there aren't that many corporate officers. Employees are usually not too concerned until their own job is one that's on the line. Those effects are pretty indirect and not too apparent to the average voter. Not until it's too late, that is.

Minnesotans spend big in Iowa's lottery

And in Wisconsin's too, no doubt. It's time we quit being such purists about gambling and kept the money here at home.

Lottery bill sent to Senate floor

Can you imagine a state lottery with no advertising? How ludicrous! But that's what the Senate bill calls for at the present time. If it passes, we would be the first state with a lottery to try that ploy. With all the ads now running near the Wisconsin and Iowa borders, the money might *still* wind up out of state. Let's hope common sense will ultimately prevail.

As one of the union representatives who sat silent when the department presented its plan for re-training, I plead guilty as charged. I didn't protest; and, if the department offers more programs for even more staff training, I won't protest that either.

Does this mean I agree with Lippert's assertion that our state employee skills are "below par" in serving Minnesota's developmentally disabled? Of course not! What it means is that, like Lippert, I know that treatment procedures for retarded individuals are advancing all the time, and I want our public employees to be continually updated on these advances. After all, that's how Lippert's touted "state of the art" practice is learned by current employees in any setting. It's not communicated by osmosis.

I could counter Lippert's shots at public RTCs serving retarded citizens with my own shots at private facilities and their staffing practices. State regional treatment center personnel are relatively stable, allowing for coordinated treatment over time. Turnover is so constant in private facilities that disabled clients and their families are lucky if one or two direct care staff members are the same after one year.

Does this mean we should close all private facilities as "unstable" and "below par"? Of course not! What it means is that we should put enough resources into our mental health care delivery system so that staff everywhere are paid well enough to make treatment of the developmentally disabled a career rather than a temporary job.

I wish it weren't the case, but there are sufficient numbers of retarded Minnesotans, with sufficiently advanced needs, to keep both state and community facilities busy providing treatment and service. Let's quit carping at each other and get on with the task.

Mike Morrell
Business Representative
AFSCME Council 6, AFL-CIO

Big on Long

To the editor:

We in Ward 3 are very fortunate to have had Bob Long representing us on the St. Paul City Council for the past two years. He has addressed neighborhood concerns efficiently and quickly. A good example of Bob's responsiveness to neighborhood needs is when our neighbors requested that a light standard be installed in our block. Bob acted promptly, and the light was in place within a week or so.

I also appreciate the leadership role Bob played in the passage of a city ordinance that will restrict the use of plastic containers in fast-food outlets and grocery stores in 1990. By this action, Bob put his long-time interest in environmental issues to work for the betterment of the community.

I hope Bob will continue his good work as a member of the City Council for years to come.

Jean S. Druker
542 S. Cretin Ave.

Recycling loses in competition with timber industry subsidies

An op-ed article in Monday morning's *Star-Tribune* claims that the Forest Service, after administrative costs and building roads to accommodate the tree harvests, loses about \$600 million a year on its enterprise. The author of the article offers that as a reason for the paper companies' lack of incentive in building plants to manufacture recycled paper. I don't think it's all that simple. Recycled newsprint presents a big quality problem when high speed (rotary) web presses are used, as they are for the *Villager* and the local dailies. The risks of linting, breaking and tearing during the printing process have long been a major concern to web press operators. Apparently the same problem doesn't apply in the flat-bed printing process. We certainly could and should use recycled paper a great deal more in business offices throughout the country, though how well recycled paper would work in the average photocopies, I just don't know. But if it's workable, what a boon to paper recycling that could be. More people should follow Governor Perpich's lead in demanding the use of recycled paper wherever possible in government agencies and businesses of all sizes. But will it work for continuous forms, used with all the computers of the nation?

Freeway travel will fray nerves

As you know, Minnesota has two seasons—winter and road construction. And it isn't only freeways. In this area, with the city of St. Paul's various sewer separations planned for local arterials and side streets, it's going to get worse before it gets better. Right now, the Macalester-Groveland area near St. Clair and Hamline is suffering near isolation from the rest of the civilized world. Business people in that area who depend on easy access to their shops are bracing for the worst, even as they hope their neighbors will go out of their way to help them keep their enterprises afloat.

Businesses that have not yet been affected have no reason to gloat, however. Sewer separation will increasingly make its presence known throughout the southwestern quarter of St. Paul over the next few years—except for those who've already experienced it. *Hasta la vista.*

Liberal press no laughing matter

To the editor:

Press coverage of the abortion issue is a farce. If life were a stage, I would be laughing. But I am a U.S. citizen who values freedom and accuracy in the press and expects to gain a master's degree in journalism next month.

This farce is not funny. Pro-abortionists are clearly the darlings of the liberal press, as seen in examples of *Pioneer Press Dispatch* and other coverage of the Washington, D.C., "abortion rights" rally. The press, which prides itself on accurate crowd counts, repeatedly mentioned the organizers' attendance estimate of "well over 600,000"—a ridiculous figure twice that of the press. (How can you hide 310,000 people more than William Safire's count of 292,354?) Then casting aside accuracy, the *Pioneer Press Dispatch* Washington Bureau reporter remarks, "Whatever the number..."

During coverage, the fourth estate irresponsibly contributed to a news event as reporters wrote about themselves asking "Jane Roe" (of Roe v. Wade) subjective questions with overblown implications that imply she is a martyr for a noble cause. In describing the size of the rally, the *Pioneer Press Dispatch* conveniently omitted mention of larger but religious gatherings such as Washington for Jesus.

Ironically, it came out in the press last year that Jane Roe lied in the case upon which, since 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court has permitted abortions throughout all nine months of pregnancy. Norma "Jane Roe" McCorvey was never gang-raped, and has admitted to the fraudulent basis of the case which has to date resulted in the deaths of 18 million babies in the womb.

Similarly, a second legal precedent which figured in the Roe v. Wade decision seems also to be fraudulent. "Mary Doe" of Doe v. Bolton filed suit in U.S. District Court, Atlanta, stating that "Mary Doe didn't want an abortion. Mary Doe didn't have an abortion." Her public attorneys used the case merely to overturn Georgia's anti-abortion law. Now "Mary Doe" wants the court records unsealed "so I can get the legal help I need to undo an injustice that was done. (Participating in the case was) the biggest mistake I ever made."

Steven M. Deyo
1055 S. Cleveland Ave.

A call for cleaner indoor air

To the editor:

Guns kill. Cigarettes kill. A permit is required both to purchase and to carry a handgun. No permit is required to purchase and to carry cigarettes. Handguns can be used at a shooting range, but they cannot be used in public. Cigarettes can be used both in private and in public.

On Friday, April 14, state Senator John Brandl introduced Senate File No. 713 to the Senate Health and Human Ser-

(cont'd next page)

The Village Post



Inspecting the numbers

Dear editor:

I have read with great interest the recent exchange of viewpoints between Dr. William G. Kubicek and Toni Lippert regarding the care and treatment of mentally retarded persons.

The numbers involved in the closing of the existing state institutions for the mentally retarded are worth looking into. The governor and Commissioner Gardebring are proposing to create hundreds of state-owned community facilities (commonly known as group homes), and to use hundreds more of privately owned facilities. The increased cost for this proposal is in the neighborhood of \$250 million—this in a time of diminishing tax revenues and where a great share of the increased cost will be borne by homeowners in the form of larger real estate taxes (which are already unnecessarily burdensome).

In addition, the recent indictment of the owners of Residential Alternatives, a partnership that operates 10 private group homes, for fraud is not reassuring that mentally retarded persons are properly cared for in so-called community facilities. The state's proposal does not guarantee enlightened treatment for mentally retarded persons, and the increased cost must be equated against other budget considerations.

Jack Puterbaugh
1322 Alton St.

Cheap shots marred piece

To the editor:

Toni Lippert makes many important points in her article (*Highland Villager*, April 26) advocating better treatment for Minnesota's retarded citizens. It's too bad she felt she had to strengthen her case by taking gratuitous shots at the dedicated workers who staff our state regional treatment centers (RTC's).

Lippert grants that state RTC employees are committed and caring. But she says their skills are below par, and the "proof" she presents for this is that our union did not "challenge" the department's plan to provide staff training for all state employees transferring into the new state-operated community facilities for the retarded.

Letters (cont'd from page 6)

vices Committee. This was a bill for amending the Clean Indoor Air Act. The bill would prohibit cigarette smoking in public places such as restaurants, retail stores, public conveyances, educational facilities, hospitals, nursing homes, auditoriums, arenas and meeting rooms. Overwhelming testimony was given in support of the bill by members of the public. There was some opposition to the bill.

The bill was laid over by the committee. This action, in effect, killed it for the 1989 legislative session. The committee succumbed to pressures from groups unknown. The committee also demonstrated its lack of concern for the public health, which is a far cry from the purpose for which it was created.

The smokers have two arguments. They feel that this law is a threat to their constitutional rights. They also feel that there would be a reduction in the amount of revenue the state would receive from cigarettes. This is definitely not true. The law would not prevent them from smoking in areas other than those mentioned in the bill. There would not be any reduction in the amount of revenue received by the state. Smokers would still continue to purchase cigarettes and smoke.

This is an issue relating to second-hand smoke. Second-hand smoke is far worse for the non-smoker than the smoke is for the smoker. A recent television program showed that second-hand smoke causes a great deal of cancer of the cervix in women.

Smokers pollute. Non-smokers do not. If smokers wish to commit suicide, that is their prerogative. However, for those of us who love a healthy life and wish to live, please do not take us with you.

I urge all who are interested in the passage of this bill to get in touch with your state senators and representatives to get action on it. It cannot but help everyone, smokers included.

Marvin Wolf
1907 Dorothea Ave.

Research is money well spent

To the editor:

Governor Perpich deserves our thanks and support for issuing a gubernatorial proclamation naming May 11 as Medical Research Day in Minnesota. He joins an impressive list of governors nationwide who are sending a message to Washington, D.C., that we should invest more to keep Americans healthy.

Governor Perpich knows that for every \$1.00 invested in basic medical research to find the cause and cure for dis-



Born a little too late for the real thing, three weekend fur traders gathered around a campfire at a historical reenactment staged last weekend by La Compagnie des Hivernants de la Riviere Ste. Pierre at the Sibley and

Faribault House Museums in Mendota. The trappers were (from left) Pat Smith of Winona, Roger Novotny of Burnsville and Tom Hintz of Eagan.

ease, we get \$13 back by cutting absenteeism when workers are well instead of sick, by improving productivity when our work force is strong and healthy, and by cutting the costs of long-term treatment when research finds ways to prevent or cure disease. At a time when public officials everywhere are debating ways to allocate scarce public revenues, medical research offers a fantastic investment opportunity.

That isn't happening. The federal government now spends about \$2,000 per capita each year to care for those who are ill, but only \$35 per capita on medical research that could prevent or cure their illness. It doesn't make sense. To change the spending imbalance, the federal government must earmark more money for basic medical research.

That's why Governor Perpich has declared May 11 to be Medical Research Day. The American Lung Association of Minnesota fully supports the intent of this special day—to

make the public and our elected officials aware of the critical need to invest additional federal dollars in finding ways to prevent and cure devastating illnesses such as AIDS, cancer, diabetes, lung disease, arthritis, cystic fibrosis, Alzheimer's disease and mental illness, all of which drain our national spirit and economy.

In the long run, research leading to the prevention or cure of illness offers the most effective way to control and reduce spiraling health-care costs. Otherwise, America's health-care costs are expected to be more than \$1 trillion by the year 2000. We applaud Governor Perpich for working with us to help keep that from happening.

Charles W. Drage, M.D.
Chairman, Research Committee
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Highland Area Community Council Capsule

HELP NEEDED FOR WASTE COLLECTION

The Highland Area Community Council is trying to recruit about 25 volunteers to work at the Household Hazardous Waste Collection scheduled for Saturday, June 3, in the parking lot of Highland Park High School, 1015 S. Snelling Ave. Volunteers will work in two shifts, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Ramsey County will provide professionals to handle the hazardous wastes. Volunteers will be asked to pass out surveys, help remove waste materials from cars, direct traffic, assist in sorting paint, pour paint into bulk barrels, provide information at the recycling education booth, and help set up and take down tables and other equipment.

For more information on volunteering, call the HACC office at 690-0866 or June Wiley at 698-7384. The Highland Area Community Council is conducting the hazardous waste collection in conjunction with community councils in Districts 9, 14 and 16.

Hazardous wastes that can be dropped off June 3 include relatively full cans of paint (half a can of paint or less can be dried out), paint thinners and solvents, pesticides, cleaning solvents, automotive chemicals, photographic and other hobby chemicals, wood preservatives, car batteries and motor oil.

Among the hazardous wastes that will not be accepted on collection day are radioactive materials, compressed gas, propane tanks, explosives, and industrial and business wastes.

CIB PROPOSALS RANKED

The Board of Directors of the Highland Area Community Council, after reviewing Capital Improvement Budget projects proposed for the Highland area, has recommended six projects, ranking them in order of priority. Receiving top ranking was the construction of a new recreation center at Hillcrest Playground and expansion of the adjoining Highland Park Library.

Reconstruction of Fairview Avenue from Hampshire Avenue to Howell Street to provide defined traffic lanes was ranked second. Ranked third was a proposal to redesign the intersection of Cleveland and St. Paul avenues to improve vehicular and pedestrian movement. Construction of a median at Ford Parkway and Mississippi River Boulevard was ranked fourth. As it is now, motorists often make illegal, un-



District 15

safe turns from and onto Ford Parkway. A median would prevent such turns.

The fifth-ranked proposal is one to install a right-turn lane from West 7th Street onto Snelling Avenue. Motorists now are forced to turn right from a through lane, a sometimes dangerous maneuver on West 7th, where the speed limit is 40 mph. Renovation or replacement of the Edgumbe bridge that spans the ravine east of Hamline Avenue was ranked sixth.

In addition to recommending those projects, the board also rated a number of projects proposed for areas adjoining Highland. Those projects were simply ranked low, medium or high. Proposals that received a high rating included the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement for Ayd Mill Road, installation of a traffic signal at Randolph Avenue and Albert Street, and creation of left-turn lanes at Snelling and Randolph avenues. A proposal to reconstruct Edgumbe Road from Hamline Avenue to Lexington Parkway in conjunction with major sewer work scheduled for 1991 and 1994 was given a medium rating.

These recommendations will be passed along to the Capital Improvement Task Forces that are reviewing proposals throughout the city and rating the projects.

RECYCLING DATE SET

The next curbside recycling pickup in Highland will be made on Monday, May 22. Recycling pickup dates have not yet been set for June, but they will be published in the HACC column when they are available.

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Since becoming enchanted with storytelling as a 17-year-old, Mary Wagner has traveled all over the world in search of folktales and myths. She is pictured here in the children's section of the College of St. Catherine library.

Storyteller says her ancient art speaks to needs of modern society

by Leslie Walters

It was a fairytale, told to her by a Danish woman on a camping trip in upstate New York, that opened Mary Wagner's eyes to the two worlds she would spend much of the rest of her life exploring.

Wagner was 17 when she attended the camp, an international exchange program put on by the Girl Scouts of America. There she met Han, the Dane whose tale opened a door to "little folk, fairies and all things wonderful in that other world in the woods," Wagner said. "Han helped me see that there are vastly different worlds out there, both physically and psychologically. And if you take the time, you can get there."

The Danish woman and her tale opened Wagner's eyes to the vastness of Earth and the variety of cultures it contains, and to the other worlds of folktales and myths that are contained in each of these cultures. The Danish story sparked Wagner's fascination with storytelling and her interest in all its various forms. Since then she has made it a point to "take the time to get there."

Her travels have taken her to the Appalachian hills of Kentucky, to the Orkneys and Outer Hebrides of Scotland, and to Lesotho in southern Africa. Everywhere she has gone she has taken the opportunity to listen to the local people's stories, returning home with the memory of a wealth of folktales.

The Highland area resident is a librarian by profession, and storytelling, she says, is a natural outgrowth of library work. For 15 years, she has been amusing and moving audiences with her stories. In between living around the world, training to be a paramedic, and teaching college library science, Wagner has shared her stories in day-care centers, classrooms and libraries and at summer camps, festivals and conferences.

Years of producing puppet shows and flannel-board stories for children have honed her skills as a storyteller, and her exposure to the folktales of many cultures has given her an ear for the spoken word and an appreciation for the richness of language.

As chairperson of the College of St. Catherine's Information Management Department and a faculty member at Metropolitan State University, Wagner has played a pivotal role in building storytelling into these schools' curriculum.

Wagner introduced a course in storytelling to St. Catherine's library-science curriculum in the late 1970s, a course that attracted students in the fields of education, nursing, social work and health care as well. The popularity of that course encouraged Wagner to expand the storytelling curriculum at Metro

State as well. Last fall, she helped launch the Twin Cities' first storytelling conference, an event that co-sponsors Metro State and the Northland Storytelling Network say will be held yearly.

Stories, Wagner says, help her to express that which she values and holds dear. And storytelling is a way of communicating a point that virtually guarantees a response. "We're all different," she said, "but there's an innate part of the human condition to which storytelling universally speaks and appeals."

In meetings and in casual conversation, Wagner will punctuate her points with stories that draw on her past adventures, her world travels, and her understanding of the interconnectedness of all humans. Whether she's describing the eating habits of the Bosotho in poverty-stricken southern Africa or the fishing trawlers that double as bookmobiles in Scotland's rural Orkneys, her tales convey empathy and understanding as they educate and entertain.

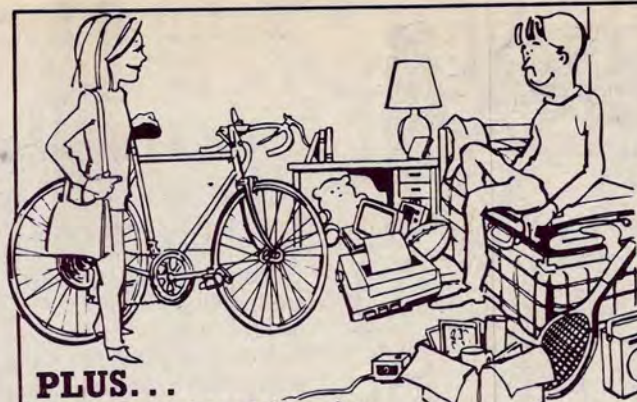
Much of Wagner's love for storytelling comes from hearing familiar tales told with the freshness of another culture's perspective. There are hundreds of versions of "Cinderella," she said, and part of the magic is that no one is quite sure where the story originated. The character Cinderella is every bit as much a Canadian clairvoyant scarface whose sleigh-carriage is drawn by elk, as she is a young black girl traveling to the white suburbs of Johannesburg, as she is a French stepdaughter going to a castle ball.

Storytelling promotes multi-cultural awareness and understanding, Wagner said. It is also proving effective in combating illiteracy, in introducing children to literature, and in teaching them about sequence and organizational skills.

"Folktales should be integrated throughout a child's education, not thrown in in scattered segments," she said.

Despite its usefulness in education, Wagner is wary of the "professionalization" of what is, at its very best, just an age-old folkway, she said. She attributes society's renewed interest in storytelling to people's need for intimacy in a highly mechanized world. Like folk music, folk tales are a means of self-expression and of expressing what it means to be human, she said. Some people are more gifted performers, but no one should be excluded from telling a story.

"Stories taken too seriously and told with too much authority will eventually become lifeless," Wagner said. "I tell stories because they're good to listen to, and I like being in the moment with them: This is my story. If it be sweet, take some; if not, let some come back to me."



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Natural-food co-op outgrowing St. Clair store

by T. D. Mischke

"It's a nice problem to have," said Andy Gockel, co-manager of the Mississippi Market. The food co-op at the corner of St. Clair and Pascal avenues is "plagued" with having too much business, in a store too small to handle it, and that is forcing the market to begin looking for a larger location.

"Interest in this co-op has greatly exceeded its physical capabilities," Gockel said. "And the 'problem' is compounded by the fact that we don't want to leave what we consider a great neighborhood."

Since its inception 10 years ago, Mississippi Market has grown to be one of the most successful food co-ops in the Twin Cities. It has a membership of over 3,000, and is doing more business than co-ops with two or three times the space, Gockel said.

The popularity of the natural-foods market has risen steadily over the years along with the general trends toward health and fitness, he explained. But the increase

in business has been especially steep of late because of all the publicity over the use of pesticides in farming.

"We've definitely seen an increase in business with the scare over alar in fruits and vegetables," Gockel said. "We have a large selection of organically grown food that people are choosing over commercial products."

The market has sought out farmers who are "leaders in safe agricultural practices," Gockel added, and co-op members and other patrons like knowing they can depend on the quality of that produce. The co-op's success, however, has also hurt its ability to serve the neighborhood as well as its managers would like.

"Our main concern here is making this market a place that can serve the needs of the community," Gockel said. "Profit is really secondary. We don't have any shareholders that we have to please with large profit margins. The (members) own this market, and they're the ones we want to please."

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ever, with a store this size. You end up not being able to stock certain things the community would like to see stocked and having long lines at the register that make it hard sometimes to serve people quickly."

Mississippi Market has about 1,000 square feet of space to work with, and the co-op would like to purchase a store several times as big, Gockel said. But finding a commercial space that large may be difficult in the nearby residential neighborhood.

"We have a task force that is involved in a pretty active

search," he said. "We're basically serving people from the Highland, Macalester and Crocus Hill areas, and we want to stay near here."

"One of the factors that has made us as successful as we are is this particular neighborhood. This is an area that plays a leading role in community involvement. It's the best neighborhood a co-op can be in, and if we have to stay in this building to stay in this neighborhood, we will."

These days, as the lines at the check-out grow longer, co-op members can be heard suggesting various new locations for the market or telling staff about a building they have seen for sale. In the coming weeks, those lines should grow even longer as local farmers stock the market's shelves with early harvests such as spinach and lettuce.

"Right now we have customers coming in from the suburbs and even out of town," Gockel said. "It's just reinforcing our desire to relocate so we can do a better job of serving them."



Customers line up in front of the cash registers at the Mississippi Market. The co-op at St. Clair and Pascal

avenues has achieved such popularity that it is beginning to search for a new and larger location.

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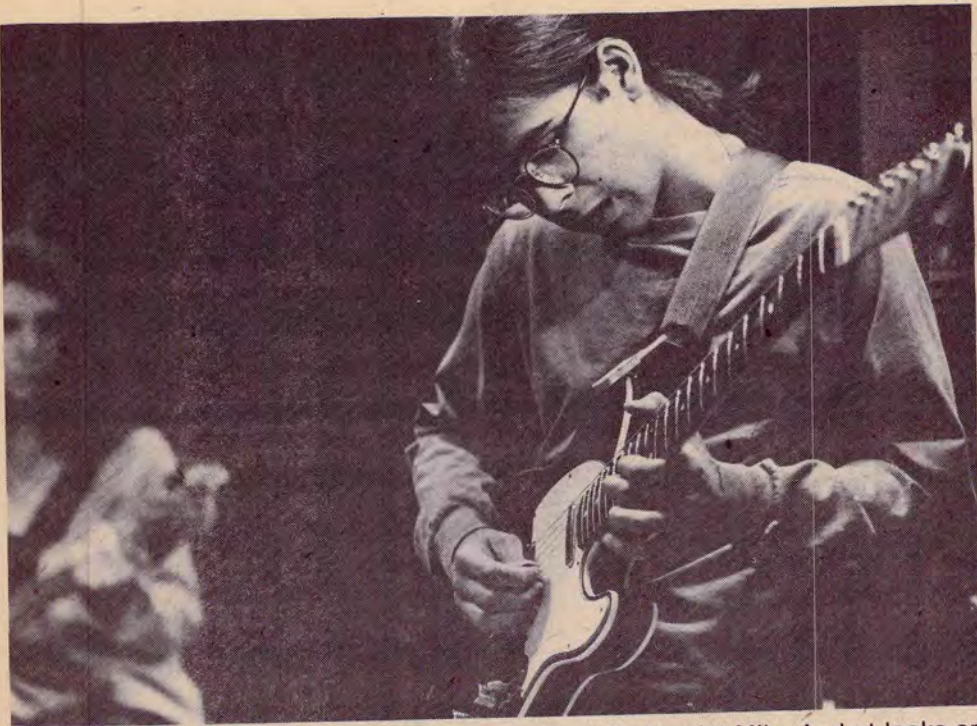
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New class in jazz strikes a chord with Central High students, staff

by Janet Lunder Hanafin

What really goes on in those padded rooms in the bowels of Central High School? As you approach the black doors, the first thing you become aware of is the heavy rhythm of a bass guitar "walking" up the scale, then the staccato of rapid-fire drumming punctuated by cymbals. As the doors open, a piano player launches into a solo.

It's fifth hour during the school day, and seven young men are preparing for the jazz concert they will present to their fellow students.

Central's jazz workshop is one of the courses in the school's media/performing arts program, and the result of a collaboration between professional drummer Carole Selin and Ben James, an instructor in performing arts.

The students in the class are mostly juniors and seniors. All have had previous musical experience, ranging from classical piano lessons and playing trumpet in the school band to performing rock, gospel and jazz. Most of them have been playing an instrument since before junior high. All compose and improvise their own music and all were hand-picked by James to join the class. Now they are developing jazz ensemble techniques, learning how to begin and end a section, how not to interrupt each other's solos, how to "walk" a bass.

The idea for the jazz workshop originated with Selin, drummer for the all-women band Naima, which plays regularly at the Dakota in St. Paul and the Artist's Quarter in Minneapolis. She also gives private drum lessons.

As a college and music conservatory student, Selin had enjoyed jazz workshops. "A lot of kids get started in music in high school," Selin said. "I knew this (Central's) program was a little more far-reaching than the traditional high school music program. They had pop music, and I thought, why not introduce jazz into a small combo situation. Jazz is a part of our American classical heritage, a part of our history."

She approached the School Board with her idea and they sent her to James. After she and James worked out the details, they received a small grant from the board to get the program started.

At first, the jazz workshop was an after-school activity, and though students were interested and motivated, they also had numerous conflicts with sports and jobs. Because Selin was teaching heavy doses of music theory, which the students were anxious to learn, James decided to add the class to the regular curriculum as a part of the school day. Selin coaches both the advanced class and a beginning group one day a week.

When she began, Selin said, she figured the band members would want to play and learn jazz tunes, but when she and the class held an evaluation session after the first two weeks, the students made it clear they wanted to learn theory and analyze chords and modes as well as develop their technique and repertoire. For five weeks or so, she said, they worked mainly with a chalk board and

staff paper, writing scales and learning to recite the names of notes and chords in various key signatures.

"It became a lot more than just meeting and going through tunes, it became an introduction to theory," Selin said. "I wanted to be able to say, 'Here are these chord progressions, now let's play them. Now look at this tune. It has these chords, these progressions.' Jazz is often made into this big mystery, but you can really take it apart and figure out what is going on. All these standard jazz tunes are little stories. It's like learning the mythology. You learn who 'Stella by Starlight' is."

Selin was impressed and "really moved," she said, when the students came in at 9:00 in the morning during their Christmas vacation to rehearse. "They wanted to keep up what they were doing," she said.

With a solid background of jazz theory, the members of the band became a true ensemble and started memorizing the tunes for their concert, including traditional jazz numbers by well-known names such as Herbie Hancock and John Coltrane as well as an original composition by Joe Logan, one of their own members. Selin would like to see the group have more opportunities to perform, but at other schools and for the public.

She would also like to see the jazz program expand, particularly with young women and minority students. Many girls are vocalists, and she thinks a vocal group would have possibilities. "I also want to get the kids writing jazz," she said.

The roadblock to such a program is, as usual, money. The grant from the School Board has long since run out, and even providing transportation for the band to visit another school takes cash. James pays Selin out of his own pocket, and says the cost is worth it for several reasons. "I wanted to do this because I wanted a woman working in the program. I wanted to show that this kind of thing can work," he said.

One of the real advantages he sees in having Selin work with the students is that she is a role model for young women and gives young men the very clear idea that a female musician can be competent and successful. Both say that the fact that Selin is a working professional musician gives her a good deal of credibility with young musicians.

"The gender-fair problem in music is immense," James said. "Now we've got a woman who is calm, relaxed, competent and positive on the spot to show that women can be in charge in this field. It also helps in the multi-cultural goals that I have. Carole was the right person. She is an exceptional drummer. The kids like her. She got something going in a short time. She'll be here next year, somehow."

Most of the students in the class will go on to college, James said, many of them to schools that have excellent jazz and performance programs. These are students who are serious about their music, and down in the padded rooms of Central High (the padding makes them soundproof) the beat goes on.

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Growing complexity of legislative process gives lobbyists a vital role

by Bob Gilbert

As the 1989 legislative session slowly approaches adjournment on May 22, hundreds of political lobbyists, like the legislators they hope to influence, are feeling the pressure.

In the closing days of the session, sometimes referred to as "crunch time" at the Capitol, the lobbyists earn their hefty salaries. Some 150 to 200 of them can be found milling around the Capitol at any given time, working 60- to 80-hour weeks, hanging out in stuffy offices, enduring shin splints from the Capitol's marble floors, trying to placate their neglected families and working feverishly to monitor the issues their clients are interested in.

Lobbying is probably one of the most important and least understood aspects of the political system. The image of cigar-chomping political insiders wheeling and dealing in smoke-filled back rooms is an amusing stereotype, but it no longer holds true.

Lobbyists competitively promote the interests of their clients by helping to pass or defeat legislation. Good lobbyists are also good politicians, and the tool they use to influence public policy is information. As state government gets involved in ever more enterprises, everything from lotteries to legislation on hostile corporate takeovers, informed lobbyists are counted on to help elected officials make better decisions.

Minnesota legislators must cast between 1,500 and 2,000 votes each session, making it impossible for any one legislator to be an expert on every bill. It is the job of the lobbyist to let elected officials know how each bill is going to affect their constituents.

"Compared to my first year in the House in 1977, the lobbying industry has exploded," said Senator Dick Cohen, who represents District 64. "More and more groups are being impacted by decisions made by the state Legislature, and they feel they need representation because their issues don't get attention unless they have someone pushing

them. For example, the Legal Aid Society now has its own lobbyist, and so do more and more individual companies, like Dayton's."

Many Twin Cities law firms are in the lobbying business. Highland resident Tim Marx, an attorney for the St. Paul firm of Briggs and Morgan, lobbies on behalf of the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities, which promotes property-tax relief. He also lobbies on behalf of the United Way and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet to promote Healthspan, a proposed state program to provide health care for the estimated 350,000 Minnesotans who have no health insurance.

"People hire me to promote their cause before the Legislature, just like some people hire advocates to go with them to court, or before an administrative agency," Marx said. "Lobbying is just a different form of advocacy."

"A good lobbyist succeeds by just plain hard work," he continued. "You have to be here all the time, keeping in tune with what's going on. It's easy to go back to a client and say, 'Well, the Legislature didn't want to do this.' But a hard-working lobbyist is one who will find a way around obstacles or come up with a creative compromise."

"If you run into a stumbling block, you bounce back and find a way through it. There are certain centers of power in the Legislature. Knowing who to go to, and when, often decides the success or failure of a bill."

Before a bill reaches the House or Senate floor for a vote, it has to be affirmed by the appropriate policy committee. This gives the committee chairmen a lot of power. Since they set the agenda for the committee, they can refuse to consider a bill they don't like. Marx said a lobbyist can get around that by individually convincing other committee members of the bill's merits, and asking them to attach it as an amendment to another piece of legislation. That requires a lot of persuasion, he said, because committee mem-

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bers usually follow the lead of the chairman. If lobbyists rely on legislators for support, the reverse is also sometimes true.

Representative Kathleen Vellenga, District 64A, said she realized how critical a good lobbying effort can be when she sponsored the controversial seat-belt bill. She organized the effort with a coalition of lobbyists representing the medical community, car dealers and the insurance industry.

"They (the lobbyists) kept me in communication with other legislators and helped find the eight Republican votes necessary to get the bill passed," Vellenga said. "One of the problems we have here is finding enough time to talk to our colleagues. That's why the floor is always such chaos. It's the only time we're all together. The lobbyists took the time to make appointments with other members and tell them what we needed to get the bill passed."

Vellenga said the lobbyist for the St. Paul School District is also extremely helpful.

"I'm the only member of the House or Senate on the Finance Committee from St. Paul," she said. "If I didn't have the St. Paul school lobbyist filling in the other members of the committee on what's going on in St. Paul schools, it would really be difficult to do it myself, because I'm working on 15 major bills, my committee assignments and chairing another committee besides."

Lois Wattman, a Lincoln Avenue resident, is a corporate lobbyist for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota. Her work differs from Marx's in that she is an "in-house" lobbyist with one client and one set of issues.

"Blue Cross and Blue Shield need a lobbyist because the Minnesota state Legislature passes laws that affect our ability to deliver quality health-care coverage to the citizens of the state," she said. "We have a responsibility to our over 1 million subscribers to deliver the most cost-effective product we can, and that ability is affected by the Legislature in terms of mandating benefits, what they require us to do as a corporation, and the type of taxes we have to pay."

One way lobbyists keep in touch with legislators is through political fund-raisers, a practice that raises some eyebrows. The average cost of a state Senate campaign in 1988 was about \$40,000, and it is expected to rise in the next election. Many believe that the large donations lobbyists make to incumbents are responsible for the high cost of running for office in Minnesota.

The issue is a sensitive one with both lobbyists and legislators because to outsiders it sometimes appears that lobbyists are trying to buy votes.

Wattman doesn't see it that way. "It costs a lot of money to run for office and keep in touch with your constituents," she said. "Donating money at fund-raisers allows you to say thank you to someone who is willing to listen. It doesn't mean they've always been with you on votes."

A bill to prohibit fund-raisers during the legislative session is being considered, and

"You can't take things personally at the Capitol, not comments or losses," Wattman said, "because the next day you might have to go right into the same legislator's office and ask him for support on another issue."

both Cohen and Vellenga say they would support it. Both of them said they don't hold fund-raisers during the session. Vellenga said she doesn't need PAC (political action committee) money because her district is second in the state in publicly financing campaigns through state tax-form check-offs.

However, Vellenga said, the tradition of holding fund-raisers during the session is strongly favored by many rural legislators who come from areas where campaign money is hard to come by. It is only during the session, they say, when everybody is in town and they are able to receive donations from lobbyists and PACs.

Most lobbyists support such fund-raisers on the grounds that they are attended by both legislators and lobbyists, giving them an opportunity to informally meet people they need to talk to during the session.

"I think we could resolve the issue by allowing fund-raisers the week before the session starts and then during the first two weeks of the session," Vellenga said. "That would allow the rural legislators to have fund-raisers in town when lobbyists are available. And fund-raisers would not become involved in the (legislative) process."

Most lobbyists and legislators try to keep their relationships professional. "You can't take things personally at the Capitol, not comments or losses," Wattman said, "because the next day you might have to go right into the same legislator's office and ask him for support on another issue."

Wattman jokingly suggested that a better name for lobbying might be "lurking" because lobbyists spend so much time in the Capitol Rotunda, lying in wait for the chance to grab a moment of a legislator's time.

In the final days of the session the pressure rises and the lobbyist's job gets tougher. Legislators are sick and tired of being lobbied, Wattman said, and the profession becomes decidedly "unglamorous."

It is during these days that lobbyists like their job least. But despite the difficulties they now endure, most of them take comfort in knowing that May 22 is the final day and then it will all be over... until next year.

Local students win art awards

Seven local students were among 21 award-winners at Macalester College's 33rd annual "Best 100," an art exhibition featuring the works of high school students from St. Paul and surrounding communities. Their works were selected from 951 entries from 24 high schools.

The juried exhibition, co-sponsored by Macalester and the St. Paul Jaycees, included works in painting, sculpture, ceramics, drawing, printmaking, jewelry, watercolors, textiles, photography and mixed media. Merit awards were given by the Jaycees for each of the media categories, and scholarship awards were also presented to juniors and seniors for outstanding accomplishment.

Local award-winners, their school, grade and award are: Andrew Ault, St. Paul Academy senior, junior-senior scholarship; Erin Cook, SPA senior, poster award; Sara

Markoff, SPA senior, juror's award; Jason Knudsen, Crestin-Derham Hall senior, merit award; Thomas Madsen, SPA senior, merit award; Susan Kueberg, Henry Sibley freshman, merit award; and Kat Mitchell, SPA junior, merit award.

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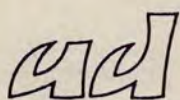
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Jim Huebener, president of H&L Remodeling, worked closely with Ray and Margaret Anderson, 78 S.E. Bedford St., to effect a maintenance-free exterior for the turn-of-the-century Victorian home. The challenge was to combine contemporary products with old-fashioned craftsmanship and retain the esthetics of the original design.

The home was built in 1903 by a master woodcarver for the Minneapolis Swedish Institute. The Andersons had maintained the original wood siding on the home for 20

years, but with retirement approaching, they wanted to enjoy the benefits of a maintenance-free exterior.

Application was the key to providing the Andersons with the desired detailing and character. Extra-wide fluted corner posts were covered with aluminum bent in a series of 45- and 90-degree bends to create an accordeon effect replicating the original. The hand-carved wooden ionic capitals were left intact. The broken frame of the large oval window was rebuilt and covered by aluminum skillfully bent around the oval curves. All window trim was covered with aluminum, preserving the original design.

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Volunteers help foreign students feel at home

The College of St. Thomas, which welcomes more than 120 foreign students to its campus each year, is seeking families from the area to participate in its Home-Away-From-Home Program.

The program is designed to help the foreign students become better acquainted with life in Minnesota and to give host families an opportunity to gain insights into people from other cultures. Families taking part in the program are not responsible for the academic, financial or housing needs of the students; they are simply asked to contact the student at least twice a month for a semester.

They are encouraged to share their time in a variety of ways—having a picnic, going on shopping trips, hiking along the river and so on. For more information on the program, call 647-5464.



Marty Wegleitner has been promoted to the manager of the Lunds grocery store at 2128 Ford Pkwy. Wegleitner, operations manager for the Highland store since it was purchased by Lunds in 1983, succeeds Jeff Oden. Beginning as a part-timer bagger, Wegleitner has been in the grocery business for 27 years, having worked for National Tea, Applebaums, Piggly Wiggly and Kroger Co.

Local prof to lead study tour of Israel

A study tour of Israel that will include visits to Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Beersheva and other cities will be led this summer by Dr. Steven Derfler, a Highland Park resident and a professor of religion at Hamline University.

The tour, set for July 17 through August 3, will focus on the history and archaeology of ancient Israel and the

politics, society and economy of modern Israel. The tour will include lectures and field trips into the countryside.

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Jason Huenekce does a song-and-dance number with the "Homeless Quartet" during rehearsals for St. Paul Open School's production of *Food for Thought*, a collection of skits, musical numbers and a one-act play all having to do with homelessness. Looking on are student directors Christine Perrin (far left) and Kimberlee Penn.

School's theater production aims to depict, and help, the homeless

by Terry Andrews

Last August, as they were about to start their senior year at Open School in St. Paul, Kimberlee Penn and Christine Perrin were "sitting drinking coffee one day," Penn recalled, "complaining about the world and wishing we could do something creative."

What the two had in mind was a school theater production that would help focus attention on a problem of growing national concern and contribute to doing some-

thing about it.

"We made a big list," Penn continued, "and finally narrowed it down to teen suicide and homelessness. Then we asked a stranger (in the coffee shop) which one she would pick. She said there had been so much done on teen suicide that she would choose homelessness. So we did."

The result is *Food for Thought*, an imaginative 80-minute production consisting of music, skits and a one-act play. Most of the writing was done by students. Perrin and

Penn (who also did some of the writing) are both the creators and directors. The production will be presented this weekend at the school.

Penn and Perrin explained that what they wanted to do with *Food for Thought* was show the plight of the homeless both realistically and with humor. "Oftentimes humor gets the point across the best," Perrin said.

During rehearsals last week at the school, as students ran through the opening musical

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Senate Files

by Sen. Dick Cohen
District 64



TAX RELIEF ON THE WAY

The legislative session officially ends May 22, which leaves us less than two weeks to wrap up our work. As we near the close, there are still many decisions to be made, and many differences left to be ironed out.

We moved one step closer last week to resolution of the property-tax issue that has emerged as the session's top priority. The Senate passed the Omnibus Tax bill submitted by the DFL caucus, which provides \$300 million in property-tax relief to reduce the burdens on mid-value residential homestead property as well as rental and commercial/industrial property. The bill specifically targets relief to those types of property that did not receive relief in last session's tax bill, such as rental property, and those that have borne excessive valuation increases.

The proposal comes on the heels of recent projections that average property taxes in Minnesota could rise 13 percent in 1990 without substantial state-paid aid to offset increases in valuations and local levies. The tax package also comes with tough, restrictive levy limits and accountability requirements for local governments. It became apparent earlier this year that some local governments pocketed last year's state property-tax relief by increasing local spending. We want to make sure that this year's relief really reaches the taxpayers.

The Senate Omnibus Tax bill includes \$75 million more in property-tax relief than the House version, but uses similar mechanisms to provide the relief. Key provisions of both bills include tougher restrictions on special local levies and a ceiling on increases in property valuations. Increases in property valuations would be limited to either 10 percent of value, or \$10,000, whichever is greater. The state would also pay three-quarters of any property-tax increase over 10 percent in 1989. For 1990, the state will pay 100 percent of any increase greater than 10 percent.

The Senate tax proposal is good news for District 64. The most recent estimate for average citywide property-tax

decreases in 1990 for selected classes of property is as follows: those with homesteads valued between \$67,000 and \$73,000 will see a property-tax decrease of between 6.32 percent and 8.22 percent. Property taxes on homesteads valued between \$74,000 and \$95,000 will decrease between 10.26 percent and 11.54 percent. Property taxes on a homestead valued at just over \$100,000 will decrease 2.75 percent. Non-homestead residential property such as houses and duplexes will see a decrease of 19.19 percent. Apartments will decline by 18.58 percent. These figures are based on the most recent projections of changes in estimated market value. Should other unforeseen factors enter into the equation, the property-tax relief figures could change.

In order to provide such major property-tax relief, we have re-allocated the resources outlined in the governor's original budget proposal to more accurately reflect the needs of the state. The governor's budget set aside only \$50 million for property-tax relief. As a result, we've had to make tough budget decisions regarding other forms of state spending.

The bill also establishes a more workable timetable for "Truth in Taxation" reforms passed in 1988. Those reforms clarify the lines of responsibility for property-tax increases, making it easier for taxpayers to determine the source of property-tax increases, and enabling them to speak out about any changes.

The state does not levy or receive property taxes, but has historically paid large sums of money to local governments through credits and aids to offset the effect of rising local taxes. The legislation adopted last year places a ceiling on payments to local governments based on a basic level of services. The state will no longer guarantee local governments unlimited funds to bail them out of tax increases. Now, if local governments want to finance additional services above those guaranteed by the state, community residents will have a chance to look at the whole budget picture and see exactly what they're getting for their tax dollars. Taxpayers will now be notified of a tax increase, and be notified of a public hearing to review the budget.

Last week, the Senate passed its version of the tax bill. Now it's off to the House-Senate conference committee, which will forge a compromise between the two positions. The specifics remain to be seen, but one thing is already clear: property-tax payers will see significant tax relief in 1990.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to stop by and discuss them during my library office hours. I will continue to be available the first Monday of each month from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Highland Park Library, 1975 Ford Pkwy., and the third Monday of each month from 8:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Merriam Park Library, 1831 Marshall Ave. You can also reach me by writing to G-27 State Capitol, St. Paul, MN 55155, or by calling 296-5931.

St. Thomas publishes text of six Jewish-Christian lectures

The texts of six lectures sponsored over the past year by the College of St. Thomas Center for Jewish-Christian Learning have been published and are now available free to the public.

The first two lectures in the center's 40-page publication are "Jewish Roots: Passover and Easter" by Rabbi Max Shapiro, and "A Christian Interpretation of Passover" by Dr. Arthur Zannoni. Shapiro is a founder and the director of the Center for Jewish-Christian Learning; Zannoni is the associate director.

In these two informal es-

says, Shapiro offers an introduction to the origin, development and religious meaning of the festival of Passover. Zannoni investigates New Testament evidence for the possibility that Jesus celebrated the Passover and how the Christian Eucharist is rooted in this celebration.

Three of the published lectures examine various ways that Jews and Christians view the New Testament writer Paul. The Reverend David Tiede, president of Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary, St. Paul, examines "A Jewish and Christian View of Paul: As the Law, A Phar-

isee"; Rabbi Michael Cook, a professor at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Cincinnati, discusses "Jewish Appraisals of Paul's Influence: A Critique and Defense"; and the Reverend John Paul Heil, a professor at Kenrick Seminary, St. Louis, addresses "The Intercultural Gospel of Paul in His Letter to the Romans."

The lecture series publication, the fourth issued in the center's first four years, concludes with "A Cardinal Looks at 25 Years of Jewish-Catholic Relations." The presentation was given last October by Cardinal Joseph

Bernardin, archbishop of Chicago, who on various occasions has spoken to national and international groups on Jewish-Christian relations.

For a free copy of the publication, write to: Rabbi Max Shapiro, Director of the Center for Jewish-Christian Learning, Mail No. 5010, College of St. Thomas, 2115 Summit Ave., St. Paul, MN 55105, or call the center at 647-5740.

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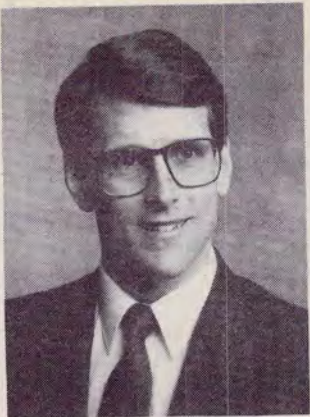
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St. Thomas hires new headmaster

John Burns Greving, the assistant principal at Homestead High School in Mequon, Wisconsin, has been appointed headmaster of St. Thomas Academy in Mendota Heights. He will assume the post August 1, succeeding George Schnell, the academy's interim headmaster and a former teacher at the school who took the job a year ago when then-superintendent Patrick J. Casey was forced to retire because of ill health.

Greving, 37, has been an assistant principal at Homestead since 1984, and was named Principal of the Year in that school district for 1988-89. Homestead is a four-year high school with about 1,150 students and 100



John Burns Greving

staff members.

Greving has also held administrative and faculty positions at Shattuck Junior High School in Neenah, Wisconsin; Moorhead (Minnesota)

ta) High School; Jesuit High School in Portland, Oregon; North Dakota State University; and Shanley High School in Fargo.

He is a student now at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, pursuing a doctorate in urban education with an emphasis in administrative leadership. Greving earned his master's degree in educational administration at North Dakota State University in 1979. He graduated in 1973 from the University of Notre Dame with a B.A. in sociology, and completed his teacher certification requirements at North Dakota State.

A native of Fargo, Greving and his wife Barbara have a daughter and a son, ages 6 and 4, respectively.

Homeless production (cont'd from page 15)

number and a skit called "Rock Stew" (based on the story "Stone Soup") it was obvious they had managed to achieve that goal.

After the opening number, which pokes fun at the teenage tendency to procrastinate ("Where were the writers when there was writing that had to be done? Where were the actors when the acting was more work than fun?"), a John Wayne type strolls on stage, looking out of place and trying to pick a fight. He's kicked off by the directors and replaced by the Homeless Quartet, who provide some do-wah backup for a song done by junior Jason Huenecke.

Penn and Perrin recruited the 28 students in *Food for Thought* (most are in grades 7 through 12) by offering the production as a class. "The drama teacher, Vaughn Koenig, supervises us, but she says it's our baby," Penn said. "We're the idea people, and the panic people."

The whole school has helped to raise money (about \$130) for production costs. "Kids are contributing their pennies and dimes," Penn said. The money has been used to buy paint for the set and to cover publicity expenses. "We've tried to keep

as low a budget as we can," Perrin added.

Perrin and Penn both have theater experience. They have been involved in many Open School plays, and both worked behind the scenes at Actors Theatre in *I Love You, I Love You Not* two years ago. In addition, they both took part in a Young Playwrights Summer Conference sponsored by the Playwrights Center two years ago. Both plan to pursue courses in theater in college.

Food for Thought will be performed at 7:00 p.m. on

Friday and Saturday, May 12 and 13, at the school, 1023 Osceola Ave. Admission is by donation of cans or boxes of non-perishable foods. "We weren't sure how to charge admission," Perrin said. "Then we thought of canned goods. The food goes to food shelves.

"If we'd done a production on teen suicide," she added, "we wouldn't have actually seen any results. With *Food for Thought*, we will." The results, she and Penn said, will be the food that is donated to help feed the hungry and homeless.

Food shelf program expanded

Kowalski's Foods has announced that its Grand Market, 1261 Grand Ave., has begun participating in a trial program to help restock local food shelves year-round. The program, called Food Shelf RoundUP, is being conducted by Kowalski's in cooperation with Catholic Charities and the Minnesota Grocers Association. Kowalski's other grocery stores in the Midway area and in White Bear Lake are also participating in the program. The company pioneered the concept last year in its Lexington Parkway store.

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The amount exceeding the actual purchase price is deposited in a food shelf RoundUP receptacle. Catholic Charities will then collect the funds and distribute vouchers to food shelves in the neighborhood and to the Dorothy Day Center in St. Paul. The vouchers can be redeemed at the stores to purchase products needed by the food shelves.

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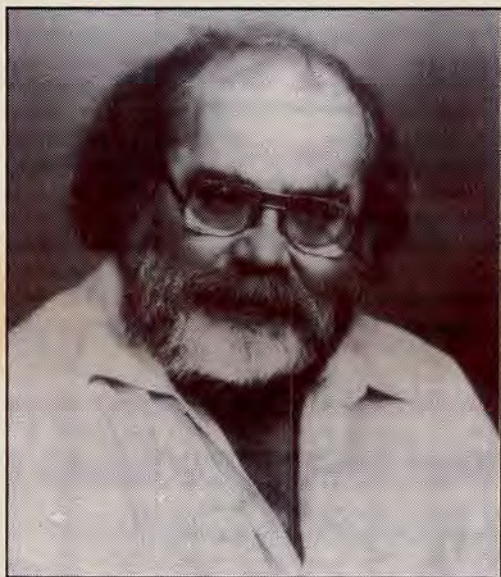
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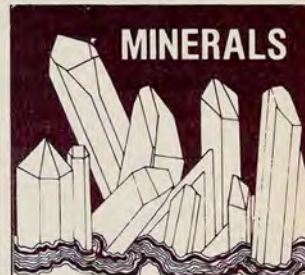
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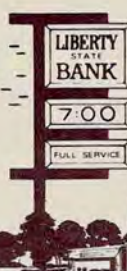
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District 14 Community Council News

ELECTION RESULTS ANNOUNCED

Half of the District 14 Community Council's board of directors was up for election as the organization convened its 1989 annual meeting on April 27. At the conclusion of balloting, these people were elected to two-year terms:

- Grid 1 — John Kingrey, 2258 Fairmount Ave.
- Grid 3 — Jeffrey Cairns, 1894 Summit Ave.
- Grid 5 — Gaius Nelson, 206 S. Wheeler St.
- Grid 7 — Paul Plunkett, 1370 Goodrich Ave.
- Grid 9 — Sara Pillow, 2116 Jefferson Ave.
- Grid 11 — Pat Berendt, 1808 Stanford Ave.
- Grid 13 — Marcella Wartman, 1182 St. Clair Ave.
- Grid 15 — Dave McVary, 375 S. Snelling Ave.
- Grid 17 — Elberta Matters, 409 S. Lexington Pkwy.
- At-large residential — Linda Varro, 1208 Palace Ave. and Dave Feinwachs, 2261 Fairmount Ave.
- Religious institutions — Tom Flynn, Nativity Church.
- Businesses — Bill McCrum, Authentic Construction.

Officers for the coming year will be elected at the community council's next meeting on May 15. Officers this past year were Tom Kayser, 466 S. Mississippi River Blvd., president; Abby Struck, 1830 James Ave., vice president; Jeff Cairns, 1894 Summit Ave., treasurer; and Tom Flynn, 2136 Sargent Ave., secretary.

SPEED CONTROL CONSIDERED

The District 14 Community Council's annual meeting also featured a "town meeting" on the issue of vehicular speed in residential neighborhoods, especially near schools and playgrounds, and new optic technology for controlling speed. A panel including City Traffic Engineer Don Sobania, Police Sergeant John Ballis and Ramsey County Judge Margaret Marrinan spoke on the issue. Resolutions were passed supporting reduced speed zones on streets adjacent to Macalester-Groveland area schools and playgrounds. A resolution calling for state and city investigation of the possibility of speed enforcement by means of the camera method was also supported. The new technology makes it possible for a camera, placed at an appropriate site, to identify and photograph a motor vehicle exceeding the speed limit. The owner of the speeding vehicle is then ticketed by mail.

CIB PROPOSALS RANKED

Following a straw vote on capital improvements proposed for the Macalester-Groveland area for 1990-91, the newly elected board of directors ranked those proposals on April 27. The three District 14 proposals, all proposed by the community council, were ranked as follows: 1) Making the Groveland warming house building accessible to handicapped people so that KidsPark, the community council's drop-in baby-sitting program, can continue to operate there; 2) Installing semaphores at Grand and Cretin avenues; 3) Developing youth ballfields on the site immediately west of the Groveland Elementary School building.

The community council also ranked several "multi-district" proposals. Ranked "high" was the creation of left-turn lanes at Randolph and Snelling avenues. The board moderately supported an Ayd Mill Environmental Impact Statement, required before Ayd Mill can be connected to I-35E; and installation of semaphores on Randolph Avenue at Albert Street. Several board members indicated concern for the safety at this intersection but agreed with the Police Depart-

ment that flashing yellow crosswalk lights would be better than semaphores. The community council agreed with dozens of Lexington Parkway neighbors who are opposed to the widening of Lexington between Jefferson and Randolph avenues and the widening of Randolph Avenue between I-35E and 400 feet east of Lexington. Those proposals are intended to correct traffic congestion associated with the access to and from I-35E at Randolph.

Also opposed were proposals to reconstruct and install new green-lantern lighting on Edgumbe Road between Jefferson and Randolph avenues. Because there were few Edgumbe residents on hand supporting the proposal, many board members felt it best to spend limited capital funds on projects actively supported by local residents.

WASTE COLLECTION PLANNED

Most people tend to associate hazardous waste with industry, failing to realize that many commonly used household products such as paint, automotive chemicals, wood preservatives, aerosols and gardening chemicals contain many of the same chemicals. When disposed of improperly—in the trash, down the drain or on the ground—these household wastes can accumulate in the ground and threaten the quality of future drinking-water supplies.



District 14

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Items being collected include paint thinners and solvents, pesticides, cleaning solvents, automotive chemicals, photographic and other hobby chemicals, wood preservatives, household and car batteries, aerosols and paint (half a gallon or more). Automotive tires will also be collected for \$2.00 each.

Residents should *not* bring the following items: radioactive materials, compressed gas, propane tanks, explosives and industrial or business waste. Those who have unidentified waste may call the council office at 698-7973 prior to the collection day for help in dealing with that material.

A "swap table" will be set up at the collection site for items that can be reused. Information will also be available about non-hazardous alternatives to many of the products that are currently used and other disposal options that are available during the year.

For more information or to volunteer to assist with the collection project, call Environment Committee Chair Carol Andrews at 296-8585 or the community council office at 698-7973.

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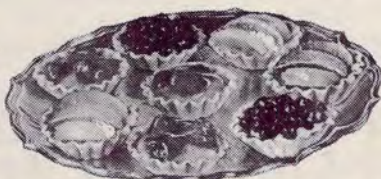


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Inside the House

by Rep. Kathleen Vellenga
District 64A

WRAPPING UP THE SESSION

During the final days of the session, most of our time is spent on the major spending and tax bills. The education, higher education, health and human services, state department, and transportation budget bills will all have passed the House by the time this column is published. These bills and the tax bill will be in conference committee by then, along with a seventh and more unusual bill, the Omnibus Crime bill (HF 59).

This bill combines my sex offender bill with bills to increase penalties for drug-related crimes, murder and auto theft. It includes a crime-prevention section with provisions to fund security systems for low-income apartments for senior

citizens. Money was also added to the bill for a DNA laboratory in the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension. This will be expensive to establish, but essential for implementing an identification system for sex offenders.

The bill does differ from the Senate version in a couple of significant respects at this point. The Senate crime bill includes increased penalties for a lot more offenses, thus increasing the amount of prison space needed, and the Senate bill does not include any provision for life imprisonment, as does the House version. Both bills include funding for converting a Faribault State campus building into a medium-security prison, and the funds to run the prison as well as funds for treatment.

I expect to be named to both the Crime Bill Conference Committee and the Education Finance Conference Committee. Both committees will have five House and five Senate members. In the Education Conference Committee, most of our efforts will be spent on balancing funding levels for foundation aid and for special education and desegregation.

The \$31 million for desegregation in the House bill goes to St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth school districts. At every step so far in the education bill's progress, there have been motions to delete the desegregation funding from the \$3.5 billion bill. We have been able to defeat the motion, but I am concerned that it could be successful and leave these districts without funding to integrate schools. This would result in depending on mass busing. A look at St. Paul schools reveals the need for integration funding. If children in St.

Paul only attended the school in the neighborhood where they live, the schools in the inner city would be 90 percent minority.

Studies have proven that children attending such schools are much less likely to get a job where they would be working with mostly majority-culture people. And, of course, that is where most of the jobs are. We live in a multi-cultural society and our children benefit if they also go to school in multi-cultural settings. With St. Paul's magnet programs working, all the schools in the district are racially balanced.

Furthermore, in St. Paul, the number of white students in public schools has held steady since 1984, with 20,187 then and 19,829 today, while minority students have increased by 2,986 since that time and today total 13,067. Most comparable city school districts have had a significant drop in majority students as minority enrollment has increased. The economic conditions of the students' families is not considered for desegregation, but it is significant in terms of educational structure and the needs of children that are not met at home. The magnet schools attract students from different areas of the city, and thus also integrate economically.

The last two weeks of the session are very busy and we will be working long hours in conference committee. By May 22, all the bills must have received final approval in both Houses of the Legislature. I do want to continue hearing from you this week even though I may not be able to get back to you immediately. Please call me at 296-8799 or write to Room 549, State Office Building, St. Paul, MN 55155.

Legislative Report

by Rep. Howard Orenstein
District 64B



A LOOK AT TAXES

The House has now passed its version of the 1989 tax legislation. Like all major bills, this one has its compromises, but on balance I supported the legislation because it provides significant new property-tax relief for our neighborhood.

Property tax levies by local governmental units seem always to be on the increase as the cost and demand for government services increases. My goal as your state representative has been to try to alleviate these local increases so people can stay in their homes and keep our neighborhoods vibrant.

Continuing our commitment to assure that homestead credit relief goes to neighborhoods like ours that need it most, the House kept the promise we made last year to protect and improve the homestead credit. However, contrary to last year's campaign promises, the other party failed to offer a single amendment to the tax bill to restore the old

law. Our neighborhood continues to benefit from the new law.

In addition, the House reduced the tax capacity percentage rates for residential homesteads and provided tax relief to all homestead properties, especially homes valued at \$68,000 to \$110,000.

The House bill continued and improved the state-paid targeting program for homeowners. If your property taxes increase at least \$40 and 10 percent, the state will pay 75 percent of the increase above 10 percent. The \$250 maximum refund cap has been eliminated.

The bill also attempts to address the large increases in assessed valuation many of us have experienced. Under the bill, the amount of increase next year from your current assessment cannot be greater than 10 percent or \$10,000.

The circuit-breaker program for homeowner property tax refunds is greatly expanded under the bill to include approximately 40,000 new households.

What is the bottom-line impact for each homeowner in our neighborhood? Under the legislation passed by the House, almost all homeowners in our neighborhood will either have an actual reduction in their property taxes next year or at least experience a significant reduction from projected increases. Exact results cannot be accurately forecast because we do not yet know what each home's assessed valuation will be next year.

Apartments also received significant new state assistance under the bill. Owners of rental property made a strong case to the Legislature this year to reduce the disparity between property taxes paid by homeowners and property taxes paid

by renters through their rent. Whether the legislation results in actual rent reductions for renters will depend on many factors, including whether your landlord passes the additional state benefits back to you. I voted for an amendment that would have reduced property taxes even further for apartment owners and their renters, but the amendment did not prevail because of concerns about how much it would have cost the state in additional revenues.

Had additional revenues been available, I am also confident that the House would have provided more property-tax relief to owners of commercial/industrial properties. The bill did include an additional \$59 million in commercial/industrial tax relief for 1990 above the governor's recommendation while targeting the relief to low- and middle-value commercial and industrial properties with the highest burdens.

INCOME-TAX CHANGES

The age of eligibility was lowered for the retirement income-tax exclusion to age 62. An additional \$4.5 million was provided in relief each year to older taxpayers between the ages of 62 and 65.

The child-care credit was improved in two ways. Eligibility for the state child-care credit was extended to families with household incomes up to \$27,000, and the eligibility level was indexed to keep pace with future inflation.

If you want additional information about the tax legislation or have a question or comment on any other subject, please call me at 296-4199 or write 521 State Office Building, St. Paul, MN 55155.

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District 14 (from page 19)

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BIODEGRADABLE BAGS SOLD

The District 14 Community Council still has 30-gallon biodegradable paper leaf bags on hand. The bags cost 20 cents each and can be purchased by stopping in at the council's office in the Edgumbe Recreation Center on Griggs Street near Jefferson Avenue.

SENIOR SERVICES AVAILABLE

The District 14 Community Council's Living at Home Project was established two years ago to help older neighbors remain in their homes by connecting them with existing services for seniors and supplementing those services with volunteer assistance. Those who know someone who could benefit from the Living at Home Project are invited to call Sheryl Williams at 698-7973.

CHORE SERVICE OPERATING

The District 14 Community Council's Senior Chore Service Program is now matching area children and college students who want jobs with senior citizens who need jobs done. The chores include lawn mowing, raking, gardening and housecleaning and the fees range from \$3.50 to \$5.00 per hour. Funds from a grant from Ramsey Action Programs subsidize the cost for those needing it.

Those who are looking to hire someone or are interested in being hired are invited to call Debbie Meister at the community council office (698-7973).

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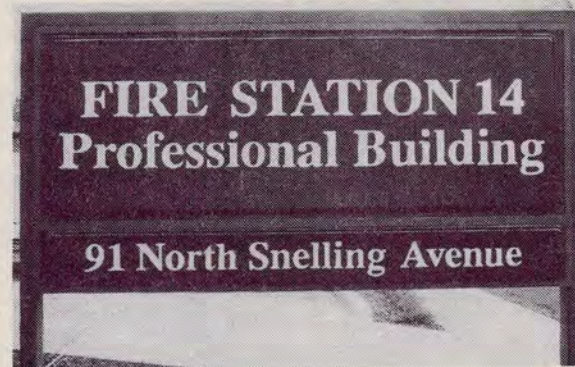
The first annual KidsPark yard sale will be held from 9:00 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 20, in the gym at Groveland Recreation Center. The event is a fund-raiser for KidsPark, the community council's drop-in child-care program.

Items to be sold include children's clothing, toys, books, furniture, plants and baked goods. Those wishing to donate items to the yard sale are invited to call Sue Hall at 690-2564. Donations are tax-deductible and arrangements can be made for pickup.

KidsPark, which is licensed to serve children from ages 6 weeks through kindergarten, is governed by an advisory committee that has been chaired this past year by Ellen Kluz, 2008 Portland Ave. The members of KidsPark on May 4 selected a new advisory committee for the coming year. The new committee includes Joe Thurston, 1783 Marshall Ave., chair; Jean Unger, 2158 Berkeley Ave., vice chair; Kathy Hewitt, 1258 Fairmount Ave., secretary; Mike Ryss, 1803 Sargent Ave.; Robin Martinson, 975 Tuscarora Ave.; Louise Anderson, 1241 Jefferson Ave., and Margy Peterson, 1333 Edgumbe Road.

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Third generation of Fredricksens dusts off old Grand antique store

by Rosie O'Brien

Along with the crocuses and jonquils that have bloomed after a long winter's sleep, an antique store on Grand Avenue has sprung back to life this spring after a 14-year rest.

The big wooden Indian that once stood guard over Emily's Antiques at 2029 Grand Ave. is gone now, but Emily's son, Matt Fredricksen, has reopened the shop, taking up where his mother and grandmother left off. The store's new name, Matt's Antiques, reflects the changing of the guard.

Emily Fredricksen and her mother ran the store from 1966 to 1975, when the shop was closed because of Emily's poor health. Most of the antiques were put away, but they were not forgotten. Matt took over the family trade by becoming a wholesale dealer, traveling a circuit of auctions and antique shows.

After 4½ years on the road, Fredricksen decided to take his mother's antiques out of storage and set up shop in the downstairs of the house his mother still lived in. He had to wait another year and a half before he could reopen the store, however, because the property had since been rezoned. After some wrangling with the St. Paul City Council, he was able to make an arrangement that allows him to operate as an in-home business with a waiver to sell retail. Emily still lives upstairs in the big old house and acts as a consultant to her son.

Fredricksen comes from a long line of antique dealers. His mother and grandmother first operated an antique store at the end of Pleasant Avenue, then moved to a shop on Grand across from Ace Hardware when plans were made for the construction of the I-35E Parkway.

Growing up in the antique business (his father is also an antique dealer in southern Minnesota) has given Fredricksen the kind of knowledge that can't be gained from books alone.

"My mother used to lecture on antiques,

conduct estate sales and do antique shows along with having her shop," he said. "I went on trips with my parents to flea markets, antique shows and auctions, and I got hooked. Emily belonged to an antique group and I used to go to the meetings with her. My knowledge of antiques comes from all the old St. Paul dealers, like Var Keljik, Enza Zeller (the original owner of Uptown Antiques at Grand and Oxford), Vern Olson and others.

"I grew up surrounded by antiques. I thought the way you had to walk around your house was like this," he said, demonstrating how he'd carefully maneuver through a living room crowded with furniture and knick-knacks.

"One of my favorite toys was a hand-carved carousel horse," he continued. "I used to sit on it in my cowboy suit and watch 'Hop-Along Cassidy' and the 'Texas Rangers.' My favorite things were always being sold out from under me, though." The carousel horse, in fact, was sold to the Minnesota Museum of Art in 1968.

Fredricksen got into the family habit by collecting newspapers when he was about 12. "I have issues of the Lindbergh kidnapping and the sinking of the Bismarck," he said.

Browsers won't find many things in Matt's Antiques that were made much after the turn of the century.

"The items from that period are true antiques," he said. "Anything later than the '20s and '30s was mostly mass-produced, so there isn't much true craftsmanship."

In Fredricksen's three-room shop you'll find flint glassware (which hasn't been made since the Civil War), beautiful examples of Victorian furniture, beaded purses, old post-cards, gaily decorated greeting cards, dainty examples of fine lacework, oil paintings in gilt frames and antique clothing.

"When people come in the shop they'll say, 'Oh, this is what antique stores used to be like,'" he said.



PHOTO BY MIKE LONG

Nearly 15 years after the closing of a Grand Avenue antique shop run by his mother and grandmother, Matt Fredricksen has reopened the store at 2029 Grand.

Fredricksen himself is most partial to the Victorian era, the mid- to late-1800s. Even so, he said, "I don't specialize. I try to stay with it all because usually every 10 years there's a big change in buying moods. For example, Victorian furniture is not much in vogue. Mission-style oak and pine furniture are more popular now." He thinks the next trend will be toward Federal or Empire furniture.

Fredricksen said the antique business has definitely changed over the years. Nowadays, he said, it seems that the antique shows staged at shopping malls are replacing antique stores. You can find high-quality antiques at the mall shows, he said, but the prices are usually higher than at a shop, and there is usually more of a jumble of styles and periods. In his view, the best way to

learn about antiques and to be certain about what you are buying is to attend large antique shows and auctions and talk to dealers.

"Stick with the reputable dealers, the ones who are willing to talk and explain a piece and its history," he said. "And just get out and look. Every now and then you can find a sleeper at a house sale, but the surest way is to go to the source, like farm auctions."

Although Fredricksen has given up his travels to open a shop, he still commutes to St. Paul from his home in Cambridge, Minnesota, where he lives with his wife Barbara and their two sons. His youngest son, he said, will probably be "the next generation antique dealer."

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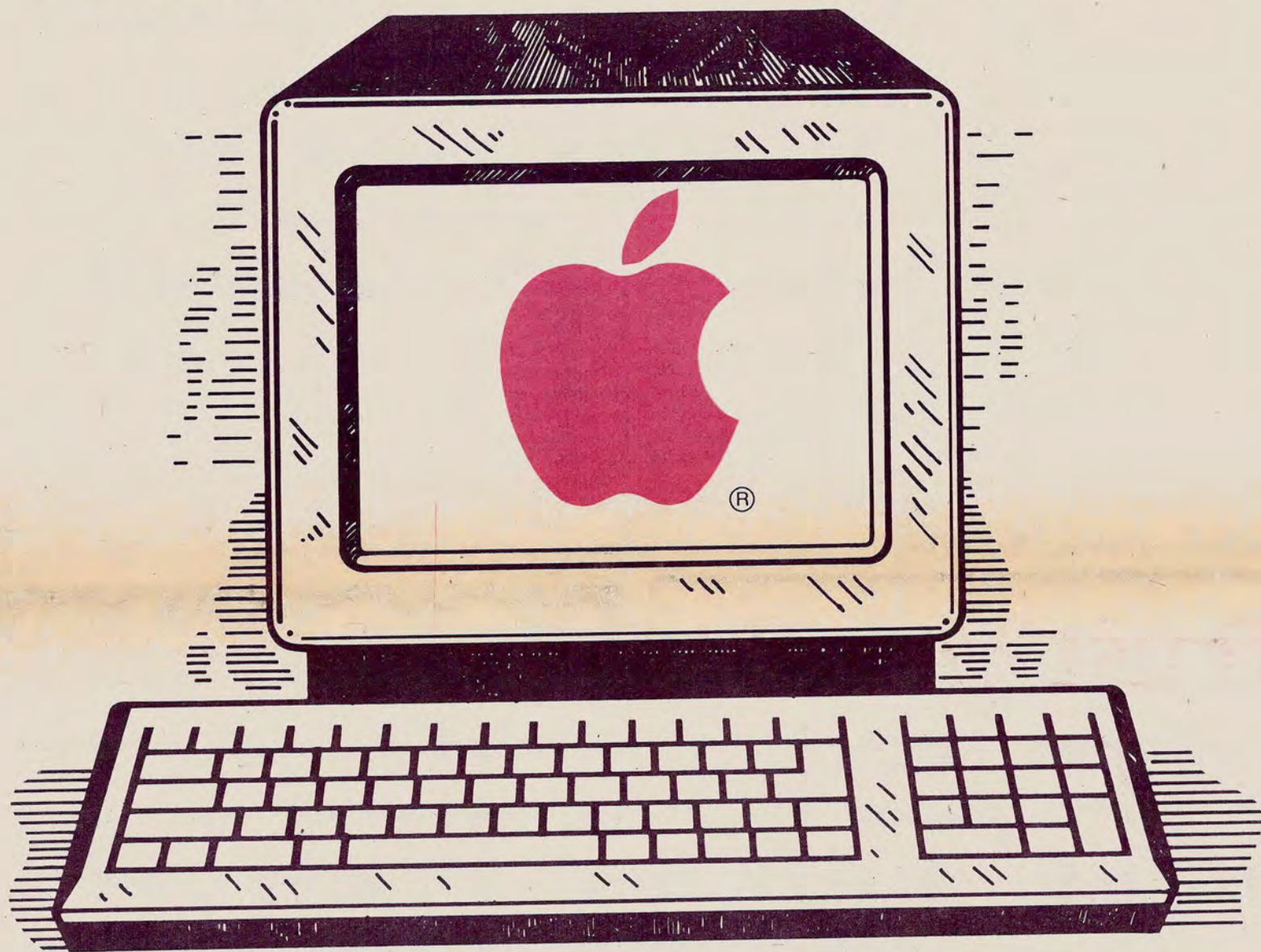
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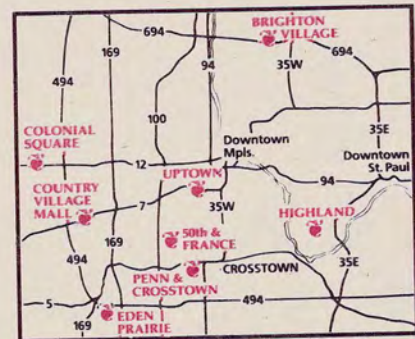
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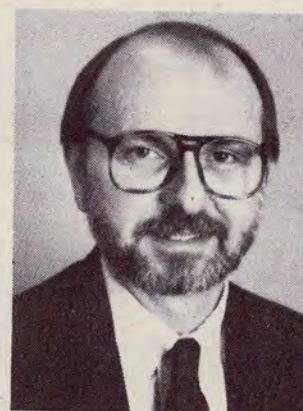
Sarah Brennan, 14, of Rochester gets some helpful hints from her dad, Tom, as she fires a "Brown Bess" flintlock musket for the first time. The Brennans were taking part in a re-enactment of a 19th-century fur-trading camp on the grounds of the Sibley and Faribault House Museums in Mendota last weekend.

First Bank honors local employee for volunteer work

Chuck Evans of 844 Randolph Ave. has been named a First Bank System Community First Volunteer Award winner for the first quarter of 1989. The award is presented each quarter to honor outstanding volunteer service by an employee.

Evans, a personal banker at First Bank St. Paul, received a \$500 award to be donated to the non-profit organization of his choice. He selected the St. Paul Downtown Y's Men Club, of which he is a former president and currently treasurer.

He also sits on the Nativity of Our Lord school board and parish finance committee and is a trustee and member of the finance committee for Cretin-Derham Hall. Evans is a past president and current treasurer of the St. Paul-Nagasaki Sister City Committee, and he has served as treasurer for the International Institute of Minnesota and the Festival of Nations.



Richard S. Slack, a Princeton Avenue resident, has been named vice president for planning and marketing at Metropolitan-Mount Sinai Medical Center in Minneapolis. Slack comes to his new post from Coopers & Lybrand, which operates a health care consulting practice in Minneapolis.

McQuillan tapped

John McQuillan of McQuillan Brothers Plumbing & Heating, 452 Selby Ave., has been re-elected to the board of directors of the Minnesota Association of Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors.

Monroe Community School to raffle student-built canoe

A 15½-foot canoe made by students in Monroe Community School's creative wood program will be raffled off to raise money for the program.

The solo cedar-strip canoe is on display daily until 8:00 p.m. at the West 7th Community Center, 265 Oneida St. Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$1.00 apiece at the center through May 20.

The drawing will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 20. Ticketholders do not have to be present at the drawing to win.

Dentist signs on

Dr. Nancy Holm has joined the staff of Associated Dentists, 1371 W. 7th St. A Roseville native, Holm is a graduate of Hill Murray High School, the College of St. Benedict and the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry. She previously worked at Dental offices in Columbia Heights and South St. Paul.

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May 10

TWO FILMS FOR PRESCHOOLERS, *Pocket for Corduroy* and *Caps for Sale*, will be shown at 10:30 this morning at the East Lake Library, 2727 E. Lake St., Minneapolis. *Dragon's Stew* and *Fine Feathers* will be shown on Wednesday, May 24. For more information, call the library at 724-4561.

UNITED HOSPITAL'S Obesity Surgery Support Group will meet from 7:00 to 9:00 tonight in the Heart & Lung Center, 255 N. Smith Ave. Dr. William Rupp, a specialist in obesity surgery, will be the speaker. Organized to provide support and education for persons who have had obesity surgery or those who are planning to, the group is open to all. There is no charge for membership or attendance. For more information, call 298-8548.

May 11

A PROGRAM ON "How Jews and Christians Read the Bible" will be presented tonight from 7:30 to 9:30 in the auditorium of the Brady Educational Center at the College of St. Thomas. The program, sponsored by the Center for Jewish-Christian Learning at St. Thomas, will examine what both Jews and Christians hold in common about the Bible as well as their differences in interpretation. Free and open to the public, the program will be presented by Rabbi Max Shapiro, director of the Center for Jewish-Christian Learning, and Dr. Arthur E. Zannoni, association director.

May 12

A CHILDREN'S PLACE and Children's Country Day are having an open house today from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at their model farm, 1588 S. Victoria Rd., Mendota Heights. Parents and children will have a chance to meet the animals, tour the grounds and meet the staff. For more information, call 698-8810.

A FREE FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT is being offered tonight at 6:00 at the Martin Luther King Recreation Center, 270 N. Kent St. On Friday, May 19, the center will host a Family Roller Skating Night. The cost for that event is 50 cents for children and \$1.00 for adults. A limited number of roller skates will be available; participants can bring their own skates. For more information, call the center at 298-5661 after 3:00 p.m.

RAY NORDINE, founder and executive director of Family Plus, will speak on "Parents' Rights and Parenting Skills That Promote Happy Children" during two appearances today at Liberty State Bank, 176 N. Snelling Ave. Nordine, who can be heard Sunday mornings at 11:00 on KSTP Talk Radio and has appeared on the "Oprah Winfrey Show," will be at the bank from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and again from 3:00 to 6:00.

May 13

FANFAIR, St. Paul Academy and Summit School's annual all-school carnival and fair, will be held today from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the upper-school campus, 1712 Randolph Ave. The fair will feature demonstrations by the Minnesota Kite Society, musical entertainment, food, crafts, games, activity booths, a special carnival area for children, a petting zoo, and the ever-popular llama rides. Admission to the fair is free and open to all.



Village Kiosk



Drum major Art Craven, looking as dapper as ever, leads the massed bands during the 17th annual Scottish Country Fair, held May 6 at Macalester College.

THE GARDEN CLUB of Ramsey County will have its annual plant sale today from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Messiah Episcopal Church, 1631 Ford Pkwy. The sale will feature common and rare annuals and perennials.

THE MENDOTA HEIGHTS and Rainbow garden clubs will have a sale of annual and perennial plants today from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Grass Junior High School, 181 W. Butler St., West St. Paul. Master gardeners will be on hand to explain how to repair drought-stricken lawns.

A STYLE SHOW will be presented today at noon at the Church of St. Helena, East 43rd Street and South 33rd Avenue, Minneapolis. This cost is \$7.00. For reservations, call Rita Casagrande at 724-2717.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH Older Americans Month, the Episcopal Church Home of Minnesota, located at 1879 Feronia Ave., is having an open house today from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Call 646-4061 for more information.

May 14

FRIENDS SCHOOL OF MINNESOTA will hold its third annual Mother's Day luncheon from noon to 2:00 p.m. today at Friends House, 1725 Grand Ave. The menu will include several kinds of quiche, salad, rolls, beverages and dessert. The cost is \$6.00 per person. The event is a fund-raiser for

Friends School of Minnesota, an alternative elementary school at 3225 E. Minnehaha Pkwy. in Minneapolis. For more information, call 722-2046.

STUDENTS FROM AREA elementary and secondary schools, along with adult members of the Minnesota Guild of Storytellers, will present a variety of personal stories and folk tales from noon to 4:00 p.m. today at the Ramsey County Historical Society's Gibbs Farm Museum. The stories will range from Native American tales to animal and nature stories. Admission is \$2.50 for adults, \$2.00 for senior citizens and \$1.00 for children 2-18. Mothers accompanied by children will be admitted free today in honor of Mother's Day.

May 15

THE ST. PAUL METRO chapter of La Leche League will meet tonight at 7:00 in the home of Karla Achartz, 1287 N. Avon St. The group is open to all women interested in breastfeeding. For more information, call area leaders Celeste McCrum (690-2350) or Barb King (645-8516).

A MASS OF THANKSGIVING and healing service will be held tonight at 7:00 at St. Therese's Church, 1928 Norfolk Ave. The celebrant will be Father Donald Schnitzius. The Mass is sponsored by the St. Francis Prayer Group, which meets every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the church's social hall. All are welcome to attend. Call 690-1501 for more information.

May 16

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH Home Service League will have its spring luncheon today at 12:30 at the church home, 1879 Feronia Ave. The luncheon will feature a musical presentation by Shirley Kartarik. The cost for the luncheon, which is open to the public, is \$6.00. Call 646-4061 for reservations or more information.

KATHLEEN HALL JAMIESON, the G.B. Dealey Regents Professor of Communication at the University of Texas at Austin, will speak on "Deception, Distortion and Democracy" at 3:15 p.m. today at the Radisson University Hotel, 615 S.E. Washington Ave., Minneapolis. Her talk, part of the Silha Lecture series, is free and open to all.

INGRID BLOOM, a clinical social worker and psychotherapist, will help people understand their dreams in a seminar to be presented tonight from 6:30 to 8:30 at the Lexington Library, 1080 University Ave. The cost is \$8.00. Call 722-7414 for more information.

FORMER MINNEAPOLIS police chief Tony Bouza will speak on crime and violence in America at 7:30 tonight at the Jewish Community Center, 1375 St. Paul Ave. The talk is free and open to all, but reservations should be made by May 15 by calling 698-0751.

May 17

THERE WILL BE AN OPEN HOUSE today from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Minneapolis Police Department's Third Precinct station at East Lake Street and Minnehaha Avenue. The Police Day event will feature tours of the station, a weapons display, blood pressure checks and informational displays set up by the bomb squad, park police, the canine unit and others.

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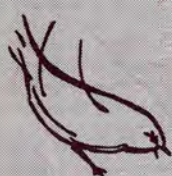
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to help older drivers improve their driving skills, will be offered from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. today and tomorrow at Edgumbe Presbyterian Church, 2149 Edgumbe Rd. Call 698-8229 to register.

A **FIVE-PART CLASS** on macrobiotic cooking will be offered from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. on consecutive Wednesdays beginning today at the Jewish Community Center, 1375 St. Paul Ave. The cost is \$45 for JCC members, \$65 for non-members. To register, call 698-0751 by May 11.

for this summer. Approximately 10 youths will travel by van to El Paso, Texas, to learn about evangelism and will the work in Juarez, Mexico, helping feed families who live by scavenging in a garbage dump there. They will also be taking down a trailer full of clothing for children and adults.

PARENTS OF 3-, 4- and 5-year-old children are invited to attend a preschool roundup and fall registration session from 9:30 to 10:30 this morning at Sandcastle Child Care in St. James School, 486 View St.

May 18

THE **HORACE MANN SCHOOL** PTA's spring carnival will be held today from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the school, 2001 Eleanor Ave. There will be pony rides, a raffle, food, prizes and games.

THE **MIDWAY-HIGHLAND CHAPTER** of the American Association of Retired Persons will meet today at 1:00 p.m. at Liberty State Bank, Selby and Snelling avenues. Terry Law of the St. Paul Police Department will give an illustrated talk on crime prevention.

May 19

A **LUNCHEON-LECTURE** that will teach people how to trace their German ancestors will be held from 12:15 to 2:30 p.m. today at the Radisson Hotel, 11 E. Kellogg Blvd. It will be led by Michael Palmer, co-founder and research director of the German Genealogical Society. He is in town for the National Genealogical Society Conference, running May 17-20 at the Radisson. To make reservations for the luncheon, send \$15 to GGSA, Box 291818, Los Angeles, CA 90029.

FOOD, GAMES, A MOON WALK and more will be featured during Longfellow School's spring carnival, set for this evening from 5:00 to 8:00. Proceeds from the carnival, which is open to all, will benefit Longfellow School, located at 318 Moore St.

FUN FEST '89, a fund-raiser for Bridge View School, will be held tonight from 5:00 to 9:00 at the school, 360 Colborne St. In addition to games and prizes, there will be a dunk tank, a plant sale, train rides, live music, live animals, bingo, a white elephant sale and more. Bridge View is a public school for mentally and multi-handicapped students 4 to 21 years old. Admission is free and open to all.

A **GARAGE SALE** sponsored by the Humane Society of Ramsey County Auxiliary will be held today and tomorrow from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at 1630 Beechwood Ave.

A **RUMMAGE SALE** will be held today from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and tomorrow from 9:00 to 1:00 at the Church of the Messiah, 1631 Ford Pkwy. Proceeds from the sale will help finance a youth-group trip scheduled

May 21

THE **BOY SCOUT TROOP** of St. Mark's Parish is having a pancake breakfast today from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of St. Mark's School, Dayton and Prior avenues. The cost is \$3.00 for adults, \$1.50 for children and \$10 for families.

May 23

THE **78th ANNUAL MEETING** of Jewish Family Service of St. Paul will begin tonight at 7:15 at Mount Zion Temple, 1300 Summit Ave. Guest speaker Dr. Lillian E. Troll, a professor of human development and aging at the University of California at San Francisco, will talk on "The Sandwich Generation: Betwixt and Between." The meeting, which is open to the public, will be preceded by a picnic dinner at 6:30. The cost of the box dinner is \$5.00. For the required dinner reservations, call the JFS at 698-0767.

THE **LONGFELLOW HOUSE** Restoration Group will hold its annual meeting tonight at 7:00 at St. Peder's Church, 4600 E. 42nd Ave., Minneapolis. There will be an election of officers, a discussion of plans for a fund-raiser, and a progress report on efforts to preserve the Longfellow House.

May 24

GAIL JONES will speak on co-dependency at a special meeting of Highland Friends, set for 7:30 tonight at Holy Spirit School, 1406 Randolph Ave. Highland Friends is a non-denominational support group for separated and divorced men and women. Those attending the meeting are asked to use the parking-lot entrance. For more information, call 699-4535, 698-8778 or 222-3001.

INVER HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE/Oneida Program is sponsoring a public meeting tonight to hear what area residents have to say about a five-year plan for developing community college opportunities in the Highland area. The meeting will run from 7:00 to 8:30 in Room 204 of the West 7th Community Center, 265 Oneida Street. Call 227-7803 for more information.

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On the Towns



Ted Koch, Barbara Kirschbaum and Susan Surine, members of the viola section of the Chapel Strings, intently eye the music during a recent rehearsal.



Director Dean Olson (far left) leads the Chapel Strings through a rehearsal. The ensemble has been getting together every week for nearly three decades.

After 30 years, ensemble still a model of faithful harmony

by Janet Lunder Hanafin

For nearly three decades, members of the Chapel Strings have continued unbroken a weekly tradition of getting together to make music. Each Monday evening at 7:30 finds them tightening their bows and tuning their instruments at House of Hope Presbyterian Church on Summit Avenue.

Though they have been through several directors and rehearsal halls, the ensemble of amateur musicians is remarkably faithful. They not only set aside an evening each week for rehearsals and concerts, they pay for the privilege. Since the early days, members of the Chapel Strings have supported their organization with monthly dues to purchase music and hire a professional director.

At present the orchestra consists of one bass, two cellos, two violas, a piano, nine violins and a clarinet. The clarinet player

is also a self-taught violist.

The group began in late 1960 when violinist Dale Van Duren suggested that strings would add a beautiful touch to the Christmas choir performance at Gethsemane Lutheran Church in Maplewood. The group he pulled together from the congregation had such an enjoyable time that they decided to keep playing together, and Van Duren called other churches in the Twin Cities to recruit more members. Among them was cellist Florence Rusterholz, 1388 Osceola Ave., a mother of four young children who had enjoyed playing cello in her high school orchestra.

Like Rusterholz, most of the members were not professional musicians, but rather people who loved music and had enjoyed playing stringed instruments as youngsters. Violist Barbara Kirschbaum, another long-time member, had taken violin lessons from her grandmother as a child and joined the Chapel Strings as a university student a year or two after the group was founded.

Violinist Wilma Bruns said she is "almost an original" member. She began playing violin as a teen-ager and has had her instrument for 60 years. A church organist for 40 years, Bruns said she has been "fooling around with music for most of my life." And, she added, "I think all of us are dedicated. We enjoy playing together and have become good friends, too. When we play at nursing homes for senior citizens, they really enjoy it and we feel like we're putting some joy into their lives."

In the early '60s, trumpeter Doc Evans, better known as a Dixieland bandleader, played cello with the Chapel Strings, along with his wife Eleanor. A few of the current members play in other musical groups such as jazz bands and the 3M Orchestra. Chapel Strings director Dean

Some of the newest members are young parents with small children, but a core group of more than half a dozen members has been coming faithfully for 25 years or more from all over the city.

Olson is a retired public school music director from Minnetonka. One of only two professional musicians in the current group, he also plays in a jazz band.

In the beginning, the orchestra, which numbered up to 30 musicians, included people in their 20s to senior citizens. Though many of the original members have died or moved away, the age span remains. The group now includes a father and daughter who both play violin. Some of the newest members are young parents with small children, but, according to Kirschbaum, a core group of more than half a dozen members has been coming faithfully for 25 years or more from all over the city. The bass player has been with the group since the beginning. About half the members now are senior citizens.

The group has practiced at several St. Paul churches, including the Union Gospel Mission, but moved a few years ago to House of Hope, where a number of the musicians are members. The church lets them use space rent-free and they in turn have played for several senior-citizen

functions at the church as well as giving other concerts locally. The ensemble plays primarily at nursing homes and high-rise apartments, and has occasionally provided orchestral accompaniment for local church choirs.

Over the years, the orchestra has tackled a wide variety of audience-pleasing music, ranging from show tunes like "Camelot" and "Gigi" and 1920s classics to music of the masters, including Bach, Handel, Vivaldi and Mozart. Their repertoire also includes a jazz number to feature their clarinetist; and, though Van Duren is no longer a member, they still perform his arrangement of the hymn "Beautiful Savior."

The music is "all stuff we enjoy," said Rusterholz, who treated herself to a new cello a year ago after more than 25 years of membership in the group.

The group is incorporated as a non-profit organization. Rusterholz is the treasurer who keeps the records and collects the dues of \$15 per member each month. Though they don't do fund-raising, the ensemble occasionally asks institutions where they play to pass the hat for donations to help out with music costs that amount to about \$200 yearly.

The Chapel Strings practice two hours each Monday evening. Performances are also given on Mondays so that members do not have to schedule in another night.

The enjoyment of good music and good fellowship is what has ensured the longevity of the ensemble, said Kirschbaum, who called the weekly rehearsals and concerts "a good outlet." Though the orchestra is somewhat smaller than it was at first, she said, it has never been in danger of falling apart or giving up.

"It's a fun group," Rusterholz said. "I think that's why we've stuck together so long."



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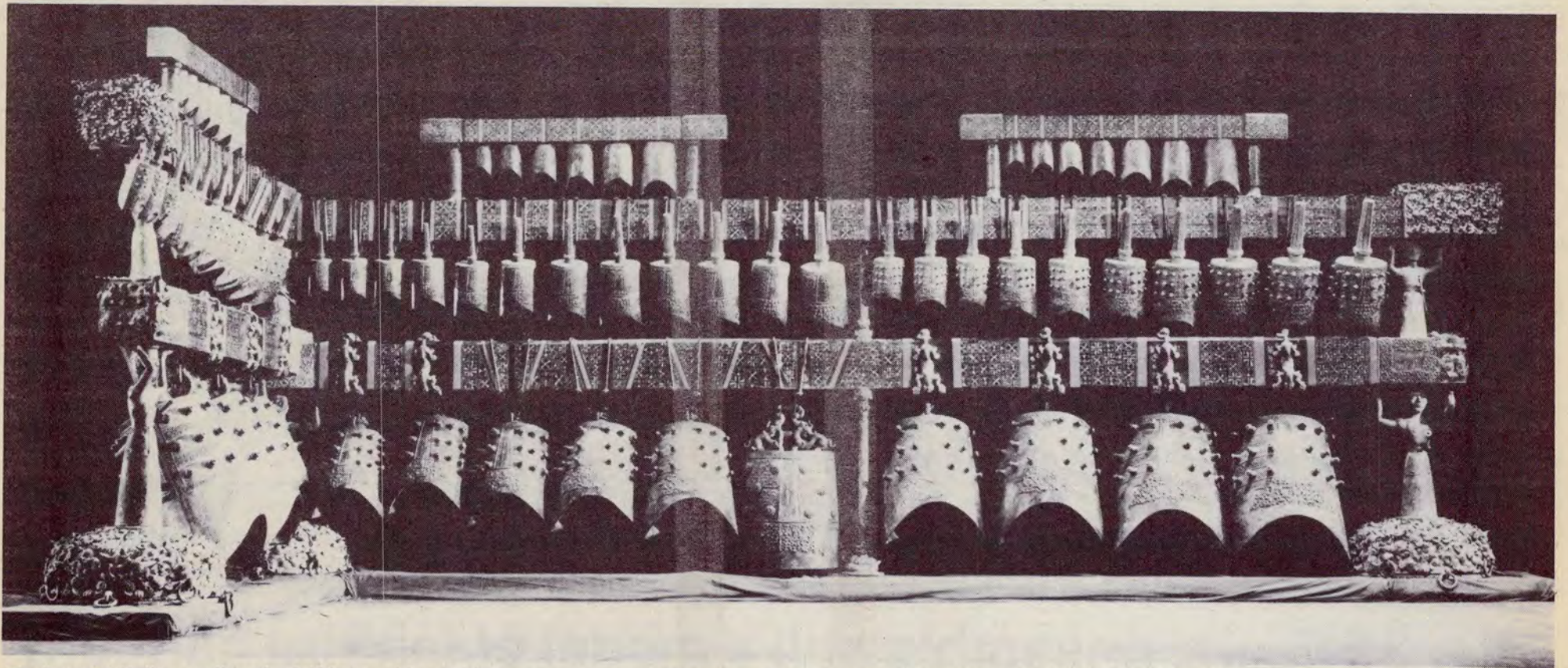
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On the Towns Briefly



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poetry and choreography re-creating the entertainment of ancient Chinese royalty on May 12 and 13 at Northrop Auditorium. For details, see listing.

Concerts

Pianist Emanuel Ax will join the Minnesota Orchestra for performances of Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 2 in concerts on Wednesday and Friday, May 10 and 12, in Orchestra Hall and on Saturday, May 13, at the Ordway Music Theatre. All three shows will begin at 8:00 p.m. The program will also feature Rachmaninoff's Symphony No. 2 and the musical score by Aaron Copland from the film *Our Town*. For ticket information, call 371-5656.

Students from the colleges of St. Thomas and St. Catherine will perform everything from medieval music to contemporary jazz and blues this week in four performances all free and open to the public. The two colleges' jazz ensemble, the Shepherds of Swing, will present music from the big band era in a concert at 8:00

p.m. Wednesday, May 10, in the Brady Educational Center at St. Thomas. Their Women's Chorus and Canticum Novum ensemble will be joined by the Livingston Consort in a performance of medieval, Renaissance and contemporary music beginning at 8:00 p.m. Thursday, May 11, in St. Catherine's Recital Hall. The program will include arrangements by Ralph Vaughan Williams from the cantata "John Barleycorn," "Five Little Songs" by Francis Poulenc, English madrigals and motets, and Renaissance music by Bohemian composer Jacobus Gallus and others. The Chicago-style blues band Blau (which is German for blues) will make its debut at 9:00 p.m. Thursday, May 11, in Scooter's, an alcohol-free pub at St. Thomas. Voice students will also be making their debut as soloists in a recital beginning at 3:00 p.m. Friday, May 12, in Brady Educational Center.

Master jazz trumpeter Maynard Ferguson and his sextet High Voltage will headline a jazz-

fusion triple bill at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, at Orchestra Hall. Sets by singer-songwriter Kenny Rankin and the popular fusion band Special EFX will round out the evening. Ferguson, known for his blazing upper-register technique, has been a leading figure in jazz for more than 40 years. A top-selling artist, his credits include one of the most widely known movie theme songs ever, "Gonna Fly Now," from *Rocky*. For tickets, priced from \$9.00 to \$18.50, call Orchestra Hall at 371-5656.

Pianist Carei F. Thomas will perform his compositions for chamber ensemble in a musical celebration of spring beginning at 8:00 p.m. Thursday, May 11, at the Walker Church, 3100 S. 16th Ave., Minneapolis. Thomas will be joined by Kay Nygaard on flute and vocals, Charles A. Braden on oboe and 12-string guitar, Joan Griffith on bass violin and classical guitar, Thomas Church on clarinet, and Eric Coursen, percussion. General admission is \$6.00, \$3.00 for students and

senior citizens. For more information, call 722-6612.

Jazz violinist Leroy Jenkins will present a solo concert at 8:00 p.m. Friday, May 12, in the Jerome Hill Theater, located in First Trust Center at 5th and Jackson streets. Admission is \$8.00.

Violinist Sara Kwak, in her first season with the Minnesota Orchestra, will join the St. Paul Civic Symphony in a performance of Tchaikovsky's Concerto in D Major for violin and orchestra on Sunday, May 14. The free concert will begin at 3:00 p.m. at Landmark Center. It will also include Wagner's "Ride of the Valkyries," Kodaly's "Hary Janos Suite," and the "Stars and Stripes Forever March" by Sousa and C. M. Jensen. Call 788-3516 for more information.

The Summit Hill Brass Quintet, renowned for its large repertoire of music by J. S. Bach, will perform on Sunday, May 14, at St. Rose of Lima Church, 2048 N. Hamline Ave., Roseville. The free concert will be-

gin at 4:00 p.m. The quintet includes David Baldwin, Lynn Erickson, David Stevens, Scott Anderson and Gwen Anderson. For more information on the show, call 645-9389.

The world's largest symphony program for youth, the Greater Twin Cities Youth Symphonies, will send more than 650 young musicians to the stage for concerts at 3:00 and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 14, in O'Shaughnessy Auditorium at the College of St. Catherine. The organization's Philharmonia, two junior philharmonias, and Little Philharmonia will perform in the first concert. Its Symphony, Junior Symphomy and Little Symphony will perform in the second. Admission is \$6.00, \$4.00 for students.

"Folk Music and Other Fish Songs," a program of music from around the world, will be sung by the St. Anthony Park Community Chorus on Tuesday, May 16. The free concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of St. Anthony

Park United Methodist Church, Como and Hillside avenues. Joining the chorus will be pianist Ann Voglewede and a Ukrainian dance troupe.

Philippine composer and ethnomusicologist Jose Maceda will conduct a flute and percussion orchestra of more than 100 local musicians in a performance of two of his works on Thursday, May 18, at St. Leo's Church, 2055 Bohland Ave. The 8:00 p.m. concert will feature Maceda's "Ading" and "Suling-Suling"—traditional Southeast Asian music scored for whistle-flutes, woodblocks, buzzers (bamboo filaments), stones, claves, gongs, sticks, singers and a choir of flutes. Admission is free and open to all. A reception will follow.

"Nuevo tango," a fusion of tango forms with jazz improvisation and classical rhythms, will be performed by Astor Piazzolla and the New Tango Sextet on Saturday, May 20, in Northrop Auditorium. Piazzolla, who was born in Argentina in 1921, is recognized as the

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Some of the great piano and violin works of the Romantic era, including compositions by Brahms, Vitali, Smetana, Kreisler and Wieniawski, will be performed by Susan Genaw and James Riccardo in concert on Sunday, May 21. The performance will begin at 2:00 p.m. in the Ordway's McKnight Theatre. Genaw, a solo pianist and chamber musician, teaches at the MacPhail Center for the Arts. Riccardo has played violin professionally since he was 14, including stints with the Minnesota Orchestra, the Winnipeg Symphony and the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra. He also serves as music director of the Jewish Community Center of St. Paul's Symphony. For tickets, priced at \$10, \$8.00 for students and senior citizens, call 224-4222.

Jazz pianist Dave Brubeck and his quartet and the Dale Warland Singers will perform together and separately on Tuesday, May 23, in Orchestra Hall. The concert, rescheduled because of Brubeck's heart surgery in February, will feature several of Brubeck's compositions for jazz ensemble and chorus, including arrangements of Brubeck's "Blue Rondo a la Turk," "New England Suite," and "La Fiesta de la Posada." The Dale Warland Singers will also perform four contemporary motets by Messiaen, Egil Hovland and William Hawley, and the Brubeck quartet will present a set from its library of jazz classics. The show will begin at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are priced from \$18 to \$8.00 with discounts available to senior citizens and students.

Film

Fifteen short films by Belgian conceptual artist Marcel Broodthaers will be shown at 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. Saturday, May 13, at the Walker Art Center. The experimental films reveal Broodthaers' artistic vision and his keen love for the classic cinema of Chaplin, Keaton and Welles. Admission is \$5.00, \$4.00 for senior citizens.

Two French classics from the 1930s, *Princess Tam Tam* and *Zou Zou*, will be shown as a double feature nightly (except Monday) from Saturday through Thursday, May 13-18, at Film in the Cities. *Princess* will be shown at 5:30 and 8:45, and *Zou Zou* at 7:10 in the Jerome Hill Theater, located in First Trust Center at 5th and Jackson streets. Josephine Baker, the legendary "Ebony Venus," stars in both films. From an impoverished childhood in St. Louis in the 1920s, Baker ran off to Paris where she became an international sensation in the Folies Bergere with her exuberant dancing and uninhibited sexuality. Admission is \$4.50.

Exhibits

Bridgewater House, a cooperative of four local artists, will hold its spring exhibition and sale May 12-14 in the home at 1427 Randolph Ave. Pottery, glass and weaving will be displayed from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday. For more information, call Jean Smith at 699-9419.

Twenty glass artists, both local and national, will be featured in an exhibition of contemporary perfume bottles opening with a public reception from 6:00 to 9:30 p.m. Friday, May 19, at Grand Avenue Frame & Gallery, 964 Grand Ave. The exhibit will remain on view through June 30. For more information, call Brian Valento at 224-9716.

Theater

Little Mary Sunshine, a spoof of old-time musicals, will be presented by the Concordia College arts department May 11-14. With corny songs and naive situations, *Little Mary* pokes fun at the cliches that were the hallmark of musicals of yesterday. A hit off-Broadway, the musical spoof will be presented at 8:00 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and at 2:00 p.m. Sunday in Buetow Auditorium at Concordia, Hamline and Marshall avenues. Tickets are \$4.00, \$3.00 for students

and senior citizens, \$2.00 for young children.

From the creators of *Yang Zen Frogs* and *Circus* comes a vaudeville variety show, *Holiday in Kerfloey*, opening a six-week run on Friday, May 12, at the Southern Theater, 1420 Washington Ave. Theatre de la Jeune Lune will present this musical cabaret as the final production of its 10th season. Performances are Thursday through Sunday evenings (except May 20 and 21) through June 18. Tickets are priced at \$7.00 on Thursdays, and from \$7.00 to \$14 on other nights with discounts available to students, senior citizens and groups. For more information, call 333-6200.

Academy Award-winning actress Cloris Leachman will portray painter Grandma Moses in eight performances of *Grandma Moses—An American Primitive*, playing Tuesday through Sunday, May 16-21, at the Ordway Music Theatre. Moses (1860-1961) was a farm wife who didn't start painting seriously until she was in her 70s. The self-taught artist helped establish a new respect for folk art in this country, was beloved by the public for her vibrant personality, and painted almost until her death at the age of 101. Leachman will be joined on stage by Guthrie actor Peter Thoenke in several roles. The curtain will rise at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, at 2:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, and at 7:00 p.m. Sunday. Tickets, priced from \$10 to \$27.50, are available at the Ordway (224-4222) and Dayton's (989-2987).

Suzie and the Amazing Planet, In the Heart of the Beast Puppet and Mask Theatre's touring production, will come home to Minneapolis for a two-week run beginning, Tuesday, May 16. The show, which portrays the Earth as a whole, living organism, will be presented by In the Heart of the Beast in morning and afternoon performances at the Avalon Theatre, 1500 E. Lake St. Stilt-dancing, special effects and a variety of puppets and masks will bring to life the "big bang," a dance of the elements, the crawl of the first puddle jumper, and an animal jamboree. The curtain will rise at noon and 3:00 on Saturdays, at 3:00 Sundays, and (for school and community groups) at 9:30 a.m. and noon on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Admission is \$6.00, \$4.00 for children. For reservations or information, call 224-4222.

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Dance

CrossCurrent Dance Theatre, a Christian-based company, will present its spring concert on Saturday and Sunday, May 20 and 21. Jazz, tap, ballet and modern dance in both solo and ensemble numbers will be featured in the show. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. both days in Brady Educational Center at the College of St. Thomas. The stories behind the dances in Act I are drawn from the Bible, including the crossing of the Red Sea, the tale of Salome and John the Baptist in jazzy modern-day gangster scene, and the story of David and Bath-sheba. Act II will include a Broadway-style tap number, ballet and modern dance to music by Beethoven, John Michael Talbot and other contemporary composers. For tickets or more information, call 721-4948.

Et cetera

T. Coraghessan Boyle, a comic writer and the author of six works of fiction, including the PEN/Faulkner award-winning novel *World's End*, will read from his new collection of stories, *If the River Was Whiskey*,



Composer Jose Maceda—seen here with a *gandingan*, a musical instrument from the Philippines—will lead an orchestra of more than 100 local musicians in a performance of traditional Southeast Asian music on Thursday, May 18. For details, see listing.

on Wednesday, May 10. The reading will begin at 8:15 p.m. at the Hungry Mind bookstore, 1648 Grand Ave.

St. Paul Open School will point out the plight of homeless people in "Food for Thought," a variety show that will be presented Friday and Saturday, May 12 and 13. The production will feature an array of acts ranging from musicians and singers to dancing and theater, all of them addressing the problems of the homeless. The show will run from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on both days in the school gym at Osceola Avenue and Chatsworth Street. Admission is by donations of cans or boxes of non-perishable food for local food shelves.

The Imperial Bells, theater that blends the music, poetry, costumes and choreography of ancient China, will be presented at 8:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday, May 12 and 13, at Northrop Auditorium. The production features more than 60 artists performing on exact replicas of 2,400-year-old musical instruments, including drums, gourds, a set of 64 bronze chime bells, and instruments that resemble bagpipes and zithers. Lyrics are taken

from two of the oldest existing collections of Chinese poetry, and the dances will replicate entertainment performed in the Chinese courts of old. For tickets, priced at \$22.50 and \$15, call 624-2345.

Singers of all stripes, experienced or not, are invited to take part in a community sing-along on Saturday, May 13. The program will run from 12:30 to 5:00 p.m. in the Oddfellows Hall, located above the SAP Two food co-op at Raymond and Hampden avenues. Music will be provided. For more information, call 642-9118.

Czechoslovakian folk dancing to music performed by Prazska Klamovka of Prague will be featured on Saturday, May 13. The dance will be held from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. in the CSPS Hall, West 7th Street and Western Avenue. Admission is \$5.00. For more information, call 588-3410.

Fifth-grade students from St. Paul's Mounds Park Academy will read from the short novel they collectively wrote from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, May 13 and 14, at the Hungry Mind bookstore, 1648 Grand Ave. Admission is free.

Junior high school students are invited to audition on Sunday, May 14, for a role in the play *Hansel and Gretel*, which will be performed July 5 and 6 on the grounds of the colleges of St. Catherine and St. Thomas. The auditions will be conducted by George Poletes, director, between 2:00 and 4:00 p.m. in St. Catherine's Frey Theatre. Rehearsals will be held from 10:00 a.m. to noon Mondays through Thursdays in June. For more information, call Poletes at 690-6680.

Minnesota Museum of Art will host its annual celebration, Kid's Day at the MMA, from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 14, at the Museum School in Landmark Center. Mothers and their kids will be invited to take part in hands-on art projects. Parents will also be given information on what will be happening at the Museum School for children this summer. Call 292-4367 for more information.

The Park Square Theatre Company will hold its sixth annual spring fund-raiser and silent auction on Friday evening, May 19, at the Deco Restaurant, located in the Minnesota Museum of Art building at St.

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An evening of readings, titled "Writers Respond to AIDS," will begin at 8:00 on Friday, May 19, at Plymouth Congregational Church, 1900 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis. Men, women, gays, straights, blacks, whites and Native Americans will all be represented reading poetry, fiction, non-fiction and memoirs. Admission is \$4.00.

The St. Paul Chamber Orchestra will hold its annual benefit at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 20, at the Minnesota Mutual Life Center, 400 N. Robert St. The "Party Under the Moon" will feature entertainment, dinner and dancing along with demonstrations by a magician, palm reader, graphologist and phrenologist. Tickets are priced at \$45. For more information, call 223-4457.

Spanish Immersion program now accepting applications

Applications are now being accepted for the St. Paul Public School District's Spanish Immersion program at Adams School, 615 S. Chatsworth St. Registration is open to children entering kindergarten and 1st grade. Older children with a background in Spanish may qualify to enroll in 2nd-, 3rd- and 4th-grade classes.

The goal of the Spanish Immersion program, which is entering its fourth year in St. Paul, is for the students to be completely bilingual in reading, writing and speaking by the end of 6th grade. Numerous studies have shown that learning another language is much easier for young children than for teen-agers and adults.

With the exception of Spanish, the Spanish Immersion curriculum is identical to the curriculum of all other ele-

mentary schools in St. Paul. All subjects are taught in Spanish, except for language arts. The students are also given some experience with computers.

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Local woman will lead trips to Mexico's Copper Canyon

Tours through Mexico's spectacular Copper Canyon are being offered by York-shire Avenue resident Ida M. Johnson, who has opened a business called Ida's Tours.

Johnson, an international sales manager for a St. Paul company, said she began thinking of opening such a business after a trip to Great Britain five years ago. After getting to be good friends with the guide on that trip, she said, "I fell in love with the thought of being a tour guide."

Johnson said she settled on the Copper Canyon because she has made the train trip through the rugged Sierra Madre mountains four times herself and feels qualified to share her experiences with others. Besides her familiarity with the Copper Canyon, Johnson said she has been to Mexico City many times during the past 30 years and has also traveled in Guatemala, Colombia, Jamaica, Cuba, the United Kingdom, Scandinavia, Germany, Switzerland, Canada and Puerto Rico.

Although she hopes to offer other tours in the future, she is concentrating now on the Copper Canyon tour. The eight-day, round-trip train ride through the Copper Can-



Ida M. Johnson

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Farmers' Market season arrives

A sure sign of spring is the opening of the St. Paul Farmers' Market at 5th and Wall streets downtown. Operated by the St. Paul Growers Association, the market is open Saturdays from 6:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. now through November 11.

Shoppers will find an abundance of items at the market, including vegetables, bedding plants, hanging flower baskets, annuals, perennials and early crops.

In addition to the downtown Farmers' Market, there are seven satellite markets throughout St. Paul, includ-

ing three in this area. St. Luke's market at Summit Avenue and Lexington Parkway is open on Fridays from 1:15 to 5:00 p.m. May 12 through November 3; the Seventh Place market at 7th and Wabasha streets is open Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. June 15 through September 28; and the St. Leo's market at 2055 Bohland Ave. is open on Thursdays from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. June 22 through October 26.

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Seven inducted into Central High Hall of Fame

Seven distinguished alumni of St. Paul's Central High School will be inducted into the school's newly established Hall of Fame this month. A ceremony honoring those who have been selected will be part of the annual Senior Honors Night festivities, which will begin at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 23, in the school auditorium. A reception in the cafeteria will follow.

The three women and four men who will be honored are all Central graduates of at least 20 years ago and represent a cross-section of the group of 31 nominees from which they were chosen. A committee of students, alumni and teachers made the selections after studying biographical data researched

by Central students on each candidate.

Those to be inducted are:
• Minnie Farr (class of 1881), Minnesota's first black high school graduate and first black teacher.

• Olive Foerster Tiller (class of 1936), a political activist and public relations specialist for the deaf.

• Otto Silha (class of 1936), a journalist and former president of *The Minneapolis Star/Tribune*.

• Jannebel Taylor (class of 1939), a community activist and first woman and first black person to be named president of the St. Paul Council of Churches.

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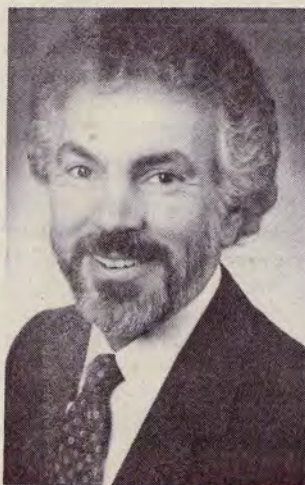
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• Bernard Friel (class of 1948), athlete, lawyer, founder and president of the National Bond Lawyers Association.

• Robert Mikulak (class of 1960), former Hamline University instructor and current chief scientist with the U.S. State Department.

A "Hall of Fame" is now being prepared near the school auditorium where the inductees' pictures and biographies will be displayed.

Nominations for next year's Hall of Fame honorees are now being solicited. Interested nominators may call the school at 293 8700 to request nomination forms.



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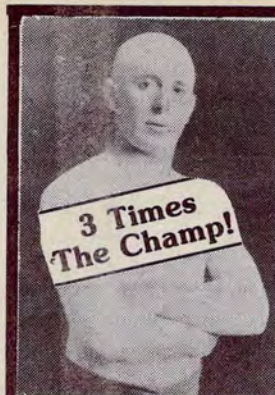
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Sports

Central track star has slight frame but high aspirations

by Bill Wagner

Appearances can be deceiving. Nolan Ryan doesn't look like a fastball pitcher, and Henry Aaron never really looked like a home-run hitter.

Tyrone Minor doesn't look much like a jumper either, according to his coach, Floyd Smaller. But one look at his track record can be pretty convincing.

The Central High School senior tips the scales at 145 to 150 pounds. But let him demonstrate the long jump, and his slight frame becomes a sight to behold.

"He just doesn't look like he can jump 23-plus feet," Smaller said. "But he has genes for jumping; he has tight muscles. This year, he could win state (titles) in both the long jump and the triple jump if he has a good day."

Tyrone is already the defending state champion in the long jump with a leap of 23-9. That figure is just a foot shy of the state record, held by former Central High athlete Von Sheppard, who went on to play football at the University of Nebraska. And Minor has tallied a 46-3 in the triple jump, which is just seven inches short of the state record of 46-10.

But Minor's talent for track and field doesn't stop with jumping. He can run the 100-meter dash in 10.77 and the 200-meter dash in 22.9. He also runs the third leg of Central's 400-meter relay, on a team of four runners that

Smaller said is one of the best in the state.

Smaller can enter Minor in four events—two jumping and two running, usually—in any given meet and rest assured that Minor will give each event his all. "He's an honor student, and he's dedicated to track," Smaller said. "He wants to be successful. I think he can be very good in college. He started track as a freshman, and it was obvious that he was going to be a good long-jumper. But I didn't think he'd be a 23-plus long-jumper. He may hit 24 this year."

Minor will be competing in track next year at Drake University, from which he has accepted a full scholarship, choosing the Des Moines school over the 40 other colleges that attempted to recruit him. "Minnesota wanted him really bad," Smaller said. "And Wisconsin wanted to give him a partial scholarship."

Minor picked Drake for a couple of reasons. "I was looking for a college not really far from home," he said. "It came down to Wisconsin, Iowa State and Drake—they were all about the same. I have family one hour away from Drake, and it also had the best offer. I can't wait for college."

Minor thinks the state record in the triple jump is within his reach. "The past two weeks, we've had two and three meets a week, so I was really tired," he said. "But by



PHOTOS BY MIKE LONG

Central High School track star Tyrone Minor strains for extra inches as he practices his long jump...



...and hits the dirt with a grimace. His best in the long jump, 23-9, is a foot shy of the state record.

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Opponents learn to dread CST softball's gung-ho Detlie

by Tom Cody

Patrice Detlie, an outfielder on the College of St. Thomas softball team, slides head-first into bases, beats out bunts, and makes diving catches of line drives. She'll flag down anything that comes her way in center field. "I feel like if I go home from a softball game without any grass stains or infield dirt on my pants... then I haven't done anything," she said.

A senior, Detlie has done plenty for the Tommies. She is a big reason coach Steve Williams' softball teams have been so successful the past four years. The Tommies just captured their sixth consecutive Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference softball title this spring, winning 33 of 38 games.

Detlie's aggressive style is perfectly suited to her role as leadoff hitter. She has batted

number one for the Toms from the day she arrived on campus a graduate of Brady High School in West St. Paul.

"It's a little nerve-wracking leading off because I don't get to see the pitcher throw to anyone else," she said. "But I've got an advantage, too. The pitchers aren't always ready to throw strikes, and I draw a lot of walks. I'll get to first base any way I can—a bunt, a hit, a walk, an error, whatever."

Detlie is batting .380 for the Tommies this spring, but her on-base average is over .600. She reached base an incredible 12 straight times during a tournament this April in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. "Four walks, four hits, two bunts and two errors," Williams recalled. "And once Patrice gets on base, she's a great weapon."

"I love to run the bases," Detlie said. "The greatest feeling in softball is to make the

other team throw the ball around and take extra bases on them."

Detlie has mastered the technique of sliding into bases, Williams said. "She avoids tags well and goes into bases very aggressively, head first."

Detlie developed her head-first slide in high school. "(Brady coach) Tim Whisler taught me how to do it," she said. "I dove a lot in soccer, but the softball dive is more of a belly flop. You can get hurt if you don't do it right."

Concordia College softball coach Tom Cross has seen more of Detlie over the past four years than he might have liked. "When Detlie's going good and getting on base, St. Thomas is unbelievable," Cross said.

During a tournament this spring in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, Cross watched St. Thomas come back to beat his team with the help of a key play by Detlie. "Our leadoff hitter in

the first game hits a monstrous blast," Cross recalled. "I mean everybody thinks it's gone for sure. Detlie turns around in center, sells out completely, runs full-speed straight back, dives at the last instant and makes an incredible catch with one foot off the ground. It turned the game completely around and they beat us 3-1 and went on to win the tourney. One play like that can do it."

"I've always had a knack for reading the ball off the bat," Detlie said. "I can see the ball spin off the bat, and I can get a jump on where it's headed. I can't really explain it... it's a natural thing for me."

In a game against Augsburg last week, Detlie's quick reflexes proved the difference again. An Auggie batter faked a bunt, drawing the St. Thomas infield in, then lined the

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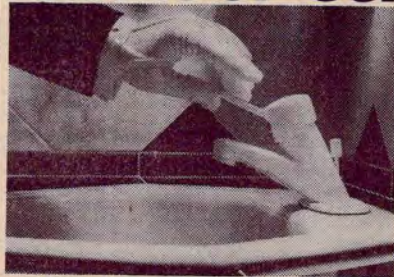
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Kevin Hohn of Minneapolis putts in on the fourth hole of Highland Park's year-old disc golf course. Local residents have spoken up recently of the dangers the flying discs pose for people using the same grounds for picnicking.

Disc golfer's dreams of expansion run afoul of residents, picnickers

by T. D. Mischke

Hopes of expanding Highland Park's nine-hole disc golf course may be thwarted by local residents who have complained that the sport is conflicting with their enjoyment of the park's picnic grounds.

At a meeting two weeks ago with St. Paul Parks and Recreation officials, neighbors of the park vented their concerns over plans to enlarge the course to 18 holes. Such an expansion would enable Highland Park to host national competitions, bringing in some of the best players in the country, according to the designer of the course, Highland resident Bill Ashton.

About 10 local residents attended the meeting to tell city officials they were not only against the expansion, but were unhappy with the present nine-hole set-up as well. The residents are worried about the dangers posed by discs flying through the same areas used for picnicking and playing softball, according to Bill Peterson, assistant manager of Special Services in the St. Paul Division of Parks and Recreation.

Disc golf is often referred to as Frisbee golf because the plastic discs that are commonly used resemble a Frisbee. The discs are heavier than Frisbees, and their rims are more solid.

"One woman in Highland Park had been hit in the mouth with a disc and had cracked her teeth and needed dental work," Peterson

said. "The disc had just missed her infant child. The discs that are used in Frisbee golf can be dangerous when they're whizzing through the air around people."

According to Peterson, Parks and Rec officials would like to look into the idea of moving some of the disc golf holes to another part of the park where they wouldn't interfere with other activities.

The opposition to the Frisbee golf course in Highland Park was a surprise to Ashton, who had attended the meeting two weeks ago hoping to unveil his designs for an expanded course.

"I was put on the defensive from the start at this meeting," he said. "I never got a chance to really discuss the different ways we could do it, the compromises that could be made."

Ashton said that if he had known about the opposition, he could have brought many local residents to the meeting to tell about how they enjoy both the picnic grounds and the Frisbee golf course. Ashton said that between 80 and 100 people play the course on any given week in the summer, and some 6,000 use it during the season.

Having picnic tables on the same grounds used for Frisbee golf is not unusual, Ashton added. Other state courses are set up the same way, he said, including the nearby course in Bloomington. Ashton had planned to build some of the new holes in Highland to the west of the present course, near the site

of the old Highland pool—an area of the park where there are no picnic tables.

But it was the new holes planned for the parcel of land northwest of the present course that most upset neighbors. These holes would be built near the intersection of Beechwood Place and Syndicate Street, closer to residential homes and in a portion of the park that city officials describe as a "passive area."

"It's a northern part of the park and it abuts my property and another property," said Curt Hogenson, who led the neighborhood opposition. "It's just in an area we don't think should have a course on it."

Hogenson said his neighbors were initially opposed to expanding the course in the direction of their homes, but after hearing about the woman who had been injured, decided the safety of picnickers was actually the larger concern.

"These are not your normal Frisbees," Hogenson said. "These are hard discs and they're dangerous."

Vic Wittgenstein, the manager of Special Services for Parks and Rec, said his department hadn't received any complaints about the incompatibility of Frisbee golf and picnicking in Highland Park before the meeting. But last week he was planning to discuss with Parks and Rec Superintendent Robert Piram the question of whether to

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about mid-May or the end of May, I'll be right where I want to be."

The state long-jump record is another matter, however. Breaking Sheppard's record in the long jump "is going to be tough," Minor said. "The weather has been a real factor this year. I'll be more happy to go to state in three or four events. And if a record comes, it comes. I know that I'm known for my jumping, but I'd like to develop more as a sprinter."

"I'm pretty sure I can (take the state title) in both the triple and long jumps," he added. "They're on two separate days, so that will help."

Minor said he has been pacing himself this season, staying healthy for the bigger meets at the end of the year. He said he will be able to crank it up when the time comes.

"If it starts to get 65 or 70 degrees from here on out, I'll

take every jump in every meet to post, if not a record, a personal best," he said.

Minor was a good jumper as a freshman at Central. He placed second in the city in the long jump three years ago. His improvement since then can be credited partly to the stewardship of coach Smaller.

"He's a tough, disciplined type of coach," Minor said. "I've learned all about discipline from him. He'll tell you if he thinks you're not working to your potential. He really thinks our relay team can do well right now if we apply ourselves."

Whether Minor sets any new records in the next few weeks or not, don't look for much fanfare from the Central student himself.

"He's quiet, and he just tends to business," said Bonnie Strobbe, the high school's athletic director.

New association organized to promote Highland sports

The Highland Park Athletic Association was formally organized last week to promote and improve the athletic programs at Highland Park High School. Created as a nonprofit, tax-exempt corporation, the association will raise money for various projects to assist the school's athletic teams.

"Other schools have had successful booster clubs for years and we thought it was time to organize such a group here at Highland," said Tom Fleischhacker, a Highland parent, one of the associa-

tion's organizers and its first president.

According to him, the association's first project will be to improve the school's baseball field, an undertaking that is expected to cost more than \$25,000. The project is expected to get under way this summer.

Membership in the association is open to all present and past students and faculty members of the school, parents, area residents and businesses. For more information about the group, call Jerry Larson, athletic director, at 293-8940.

Rec centers need volunteer coaches

Adult volunteers are needed to coach youth baseball, softball and T-ball teams May through August at recreation centers throughout St. Paul. Coaches will be expected to instruct their charges in the basic skills of their sport, maintain order during games and practices, promote good sportsmanship and help build confidence in the young athletes.

Coaches will need to attend one pre-season training session in addition to one game and a one-to-two-hour practice each week. Applications will be accepted until May 27 and interviews will be conducted soon after. The pre-season training session will be held at 6:30 p.m. on

May 31 at Edgumbe Recreation Center.

For more information, call Howard Bell of the city's Division of Parks and Recreation at 292-7430.

City selling golf tickets for seniors

Senior citizen golf tickets are now being sold by the St. Paul Division of Parks and Recreation. Those who are 62 or older, and retired, are eligible to receive these tickets.

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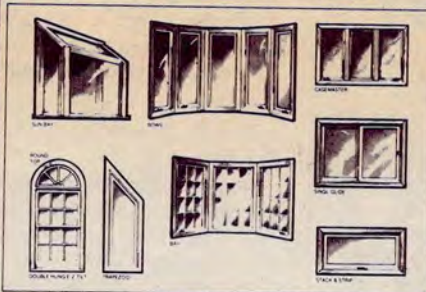
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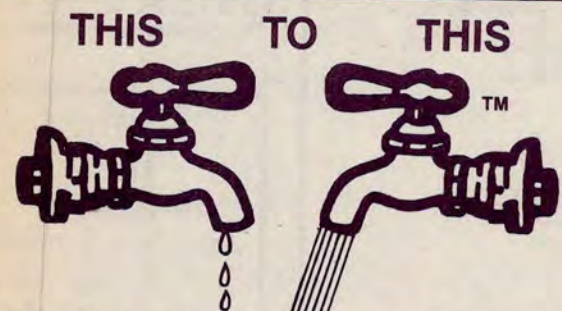
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Patrice Detlie, a hard-working centerfielder for the College of St. Thomas softball team, looks to first base after tagging a runner at second during a recent game at the college. The speedy Detlie is often seen in the infield.

Detlie (cont'd from page 33)

ball over the shortstop's head. Detlie read the play from the start, streaked in from left-center field, and made a diving catch on the infield dirt.

A startled Augsburg baserunner was caught off first and easily doubled up. St. Thomas killed that rally and went on to win the game 1-0 in eight innings.

This year, Williams moved Detlie from left to center field to take better advantage of her range. "We've also got quicker pitching this year," Williams said, "so the batters are swinging later and we get more balls hit to right and center."

Cathy Duffy, a Roosevelt High School grad, has done 90 percent of the pitching for St.

Thomas, and she's been outstanding, Williams said. "Duffy has been the iron man for us, that's for sure. She's got good speed unless she's overworked, so we try to ease off on her when we can. She also hits fourth for us and is batting around .300."

Detlie's athletic career will come to an end this month. She was an all-conference goalie in soccer all four of her years at St. Thomas, and took her team to the nationals as a junior. Come June, however, she will be using her degree in criminal justice to enter the field of financial security investigation.

"I hope to keep playing softball," she said, "but not forever. I won't be playing when I'm 30. My knees won't take it."

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Disc golf (cont'd from page 34)

expand the course and the possibility of moving some of the present holes away from the picnic area.

Wittgenstein said the city would not rule out an 18-hole course, but that it would be up to Ashton to show how it could be done. Peterson, meanwhile, has instructed Ashton to look into the possibility of constructing new holes on the south side of Montreal Avenue.

Ashton said he hopes the fears of a few neighbors doesn't prevent the city from building an 18-hole course in Highland Park. He is convinced there is a way to do it without disturbing picnickers, and said the course would be an asset to the community.

"A lot of people from around here use and enjoy that course," Ashton said, "and with 18 holes we could have a real quality professional course where big tournaments could be held. That has really been my dream from the beginning."

Ashton raised \$1,200 for the initial course. The city chipped in close to \$5,000. For the expansion, Ashton said he would again try to raise as much money as possible. He said that if just a dollar a day were paid by everyone who played the course this summer, the entire expansion would be funded.

"I've already been working on having a tournament for Highland Fest," Ashton said.

"I have Tiffany's sponsoring it and have the Highland Business Association looking for another sponsor so there can be prize money. Last year when we set up a temporary 18 holes here, we had a record turnout, with some people coming from out of state. I hope we can look forward to more of that. That's what I've been working for."

Thompson shines for St. Thomas basketball team

Scott Thompson, a 6-foot-4 sophomore guard for the College of St. Thomas basketball team, has been named the team's most valuable player for the 1988-89 season. He was also named to the Minnesota Intercollegiate Conference Team for 1989, and to the second team of the All-West Division II Region Team.

Thompson led the Toms in scoring this season, averaging 16.1 points a game. He also led the team in blocked shots and rebounds, and ended the season with a field-goal percentage of 57.

The Toms were 19-8 overall this season. They tied for the MIAC conference championship, then beat St. John's University in the first game of the postseason playoffs. The season ended in a loss to Gustavus Adolphus College in the final game that determined regional berths.

Candidates sought for Winfield Awards

The David Winfield Awards Committee is seeking candidates for the 1989 Minority Student Athlete Awards. The award is presented annually to both a male and a female student who have shown achievements in athletics and academics.

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either live or attend school in St. Paul, have competed in varsity athletics during the past school year and have a grade-point average of at least 2.0 are eligible to compete for the Winfield Award.

For more information, call Bev Wittgenstein at 457-4304.

City offers umpire school for youths

An umpire school sponsored by the St. Paul Division of Parks and Recreation and Community Education Department will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 3.

The school will be open to youths who have completed the 7th grade. All those who successfully complete the class will be qualified to work as umpires. Registration

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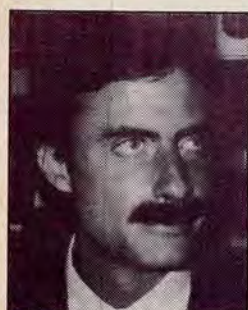
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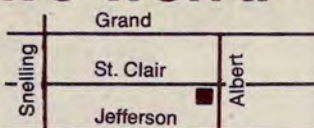
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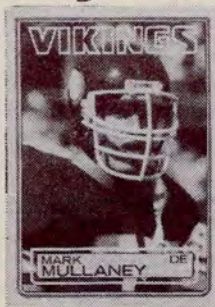
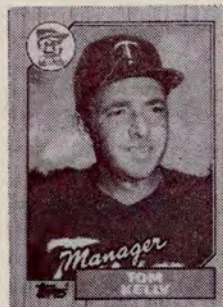
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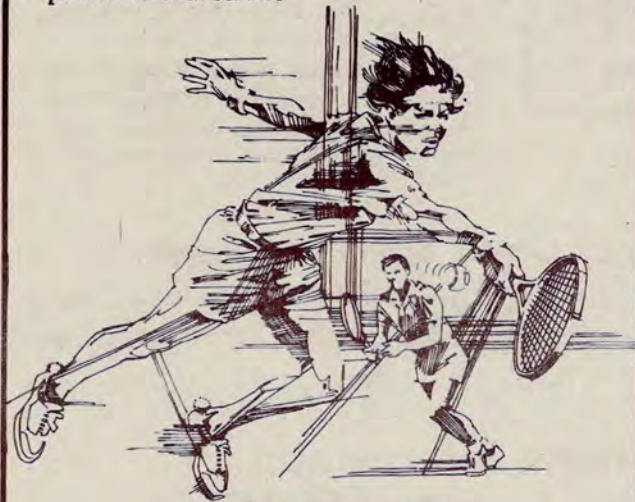
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Cody's Corner

by Tom Cody

NEW DIAMOND FILM IS A GEM

Field of Dreams is not just another baseball movie. In fact, the latest Kevin Costner release is not really about baseball at all. What this movie does (and does extremely well) is use baseball as a way of examining the whole issue of dreams and regrets in our lives. *Field of Dreams*, like all the great movies I've seen, affected more than it entertained.

Ray Kinsella (Costner) hears a voice telling him to build a ballpark on his nearly bankrupt Iowa farm. ("Build it and he will come," says the voice.) Kinsella complies (not much of a story line if he didn't) and soon an apparition of the Black Sox's Shoeless Joe Jackson appears to play on the field, and then he begins bringing other old-timers to the magical park. ("Cobb wanted to play, but we all hated him when he was alive," says Joe. "We told him to kiss off.")

Next, the voice sends Kinsella to Boston to take famous activist writer Terrance Mann (James Earl Jones) to a ball game at Fenway Park. ("Ease his pain," the voice commands.) The third quest takes Kinsella and Mann to Chisholm, Minnesota, to find Moonlight Graham (Burt Lancaster), an old-timer who played one inning in the majors in 1922. ("Go the distance," says the haunting voice.)

The three of them return to Iowa and the ballfield. There, each examines his past and the opportunities taken and missed. "I had one day in the majors," Graham muses. "One day. We all have one day, one shot at something... but we don't realize it when it's happening."

Mann re-thinks his writing career; Graham examines his decision to become a doctor; Kinsella regretfully reflects on his bad relationship with his father. For all of them, the Iowa ballpark brings passion back into their lives.

W. P. Kinsella's book, *Shoeless Joe*, is a must; this movie version is even better. I'm a little hesitant about putting *Field of Dreams* on my Top Five Ever list (which now comprises *The Graduate*, *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, *The Big Chill*, *Casablanca* and *Bull Durham*). I think I should sit on it for a few weeks, or maybe see it again. Watching it the first time was a special, almost mystical experience.

This is a profound movie, one that makes you proud to be a baseball fan.

STRICTLY BUSH LEAGUE

It's unfair to compare *Field of Dreams* to *Major League*, another new baseball movie. *Major League* is an uneven, wacky farce, and it does have its moments (seeing announcer Bob Uecker alone is worth a trip to the theater). But aside from Uecker and a few shots of blue-sky baseball filmed at Milwaukee's County Stadium, this movie is minor league all the way.

The writers couldn't even decide which movie they wanted to steal from. There are equal parts of *The Natural*, *The Bad News Bears*, *Bull Durham* and *Police Academy*. An aging catcher working with a young, wild pitcher? Let's see, where have we seen that scenario lately? There are also some offensive racial stereotypes in this movie, and overall it is predictable and monotonous.

It's supposed to be a comedy and yet it casts Charlie Sheen, Corbin Bernsen and Tom Berenger—not exactly the Marx Brothers. *Major League* would have done better with Bill Murray, Michael Keaton and John Candy. Strike three.

AN ALL-STAR LINE-UP FOR THE OPENER

With the Minnesota fishing opener scheduled for this weekend, it's time to announce our All-Fishing Baseball Team. With no further ado, here's the team:

- Pitcher: Bob Fisher, Jay Hook, Dick Pole, Dizzy Trout, Dave Orr.
- Catcher: Steve Lake, John Bateman.
- First base: Gil Hodges, Rod Carew.
- Second base: Walleye Backman.
- Shortstop: Sonny Jackson.
- Third base: John Castino, Graig Nettles.
- Outfield: Rich Leach, Ralph Garr, Randy Bass, Mickey Rivers, Minnow Minoso, Lip Pike, Hub Northern.
- Manager: Jim Frey.
- Sportswriter: Howard Sinker.

MISCELLANEOUS MENTIONS

Getting Mike Merriweather was a good move. Considering the Vikings' recent track record in college draft picks, any move that keeps them from selecting a first-rounder is a good one. Merriweather is a sure thing; D. J. Dozier apparently wasn't. The all-pro linebacker will cost Mike Lynn some bucks, but if you're going to spend it on somebody, it might as well be on a player like Merriweather...

The Texas Rangers' fast start is worth looking at seriously. In recent years, there have been quite a few April-to-September leaders in the American League. The Rangers' starting pitching staff is sound; Jeff Russell seems to be the answer in the pen; centerfielder Cecil Espy and second baseman Julio Franco are the key players in the line-up. There is just one problem with this rags-to-riches story: Oakland. Even without Canseco and McGwire, the A's are right on the Rangers' heels. They'll have Texas dusted off by the 4th of July...

As for the Twins, we'll see how faithful the fans are once the Twins are 10 games back and it's 75 degrees and sunny—outside the Dome. Barring a blockbuster trade, this team's slow start will lead to a long summer. Are you tired of John Gordon already? Try the Brewers' games on 106.3 FM from River Falls. (The reception is better after dark.) The Brewers aren't in Oakland's class, but they'll contend in the East.

A PEEK AT THE PREPS

Leaving behind the world of mythical baseball and less-than-mythical professional sports, let's turn our attention to local prep athletes, who have turned in more than a few performances worthy of note lately. Here's a sampling:

Bridget Murphy (junior, St. Paul Academy track) went undefeated through her first five meets in the 1,600-meter (mile) run. Her best time, 5:39, puts her among the metro elite this spring. "She's a strong runner with great endurance," said coach Chris Johnson. "Bridget runs with the guys in practice and can stick with them."

Jenny Bosshardt (senior, Roosevelt softball) went 6-for-11 at the plate last week as the Teds won their first three Minneapolis City Conference games. The slick-fielding Bosshardt, who plays second base, had a 3-for-5 day in a 9-7 win over league favorite Washburn.

Nick Fleishhaker (sophomore, Highland Park baseball) led the Scots with a .425 batting average after five games. As of early May, the pitcher-first baseman hadn't struck out in 17 at-bats. "He's a good contact hitter," said coach Don Harnish. "We've been hitting runner eighth and (junior centerfielder) Joe Lancman (.411) seventh. Nobody else in our order's over .300."

Pat Markley (senior, Cretin-Derham Hall golf) was the medalist in his first four matches as Cretin-Derham stretched its dual-match winning streak to 18. The Raiders beat SPA (twice), Como Park and Harding. Markley's best 12-hole total was three over par; he was supported by strong efforts from two other seniors, Rich Gerlach and Kevin Kaminski.

John Martin (senior, Minnehaha Academy baseball) had two strong outings on the mound in the Tri-Metro Conference. He beat De La Salle 4-3 on seven hits, 12 strikeouts and two walks, and all three runs were unearned. Five days later, Martin stopped St. Bernard's 2-1 on five hits with eight strikeouts. "He's found a little change-up that's helped him a lot," said coach Dave Glenn.



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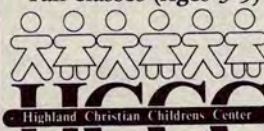
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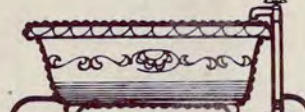
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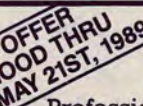
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