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Legal wrangling throws new roadblocks in way of airport's noise test

by T. D. Mischke

If nothing else, members of the St. Paul Airport Noise Coalition (SPANC) are getting a firsthand lesson in the complexities of pursuing a lawsuit.

After months of battling the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) over a proposed air-traffic redistribution test that would increase the number of flights over Highland by 500 to 1,200 percent, the coalition is still seeking its day in court. The proposed test, meanwhile, which was originally scheduled to have begun nearly a month ago, remains in limbo.

The most recent twist in the months-long fight is a motion filed last week by MAC asking that a lawsuit filed by SPANC be moved to federal court. The anti-noise coalition filed its suit two weeks ago, following MAC's refusal to hold a public hearing on the need for an environmental study on the effects of the air-traffic test at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport.

Robin, Zelle, Larson & Kaplan, the law firm representing SPANC, maintained in the suit that MAC failed to follow state guidelines in pursuing the six-month test.

The airports commission, however, is now seeking to have the suit moved to federal court, arguing that the proposed test would be conducted by the Federal Avia-

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A pair of strolling street musicians, lured by the prospect of 300,000 potential listeners, entertained passersby during Grand Old Day 1987. For a complete preview of Grand Old Day '88, please turn to pages 15-26.

St. Paul schools putting more accent on foreign language

by Janet Lunder Hanafin

"Que color es el perro?" A dozen eager voices shouted out the answer. *"Negro!"* What color is the dog? Black! The next question was harder. *"Quien es el alcalde?"* Who is the mayor? It stumped the students, but whether they didn't know the name of the mayor or didn't recognize the Spanish word for mayor was not clear.

Students at the J.J. Hill Gifted and Talented Magnet School balanced bags and trays of lunch on their laps as they vied for jelly beans—the reward for a correct answer. It was Tuesday noon and they were participating in Spanish Table—a supplemental activity hosted by two parent volunteers once a week to reinforce their study of Spanish.

Though foreign language study in the elementary schools is not required, many parents are eager for their elementary-age youngsters to have the opportunity to study a world language. Suzanne Jebe, world languages specialist for the Minnesota Department of Education, is enthusiastic about the idea. "Children acquire languages with great facility," she said. "They are delighted by language and they are flexible language learners." Because acquiring any language, including one's native tongue, comes with practice and time, Jebe encourages providing the opportunity to begin early.

Howard Hathaway, world language supervisor for the St. Paul Public Schools, said many parents believe that knowledge of another language is an advantage in understanding other cultures. "Parents who have an international perspective know the value of being able to communicate in another language," he said. And it is those parents who are most apt to enroll their children in language classes, he added.

Although not all St. Paul elementary schools offer language study, at least half a dozen options are available to children who would like to begin learning another language before junior high. Spanish is by far the most prevalent offering, but students can also study French and gain at least an introductory exposure to German. Most of the offerings are through magnet programs that permit citywide enrollment.

Webster Magnet School on Holly Avenue and St. Albans Street has the longest history of providing elementary world language study. Spanish and French have been available as a full-year applied skills elective for students in grades 1-6 since the school began its magnet program in 1975. Students enrolled in the program spend one class period per day in their language class.

The program at Webster offers one applied skills session, a seven-week period at either the beginning or the end of the school year, in which students can take a Spanish or French "sampler" to try out the language. During the four remaining applied skills periods students, beginning in 1st grade and continuing through 6th, can elect to continue their language study. Pupils who complete

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New Jewish congregation off and running

by Dale Mischke

One hundred and ten people turned out for the new Jewish Reform congregation's first service, held May 13 in rented quarters at the St. Paul Jewish Community Center.

The congregation was conducting the service without a rabbi, and clearly the ritual lacked the polish that a professional spiritual leader would have provided, said Jay Benanav. But Benanav and others who were there were more than satisfied with the spirit of the service.

The service was the congregation's first religious function after weeks of congregation and committee meetings. Three members of the congregation planned and conducted the service, and others presented the readings and lit the candles and such.

"In a formal sense, we aren't even a congregation yet," said Cathy Nemiroff. "But in an informal sense, we already have a community of people, people who didn't know each other six months ago but are getting to know each other now."

The idea for the congregation was planted last winter among members of Mount Zion Temple's congregation who were disturbed by Rabbi Stacy Offner's departure last February, and by the handling of events that led to her resignation.

Some congregants claim she was forced to resign after her lesbian life style became known. Officers of the congregation have said the associate rabbi agreed to leave because of professional differences with senior Rabbi Leigh Lerner, or because of a deteriorating relationship with Lerner that was only indirectly related to Offner's homosexuality.

Dissatisfied members of Mount Zion also complained of the secrecy that surrounded the problems between Lerner and Offner and of how a small group of people of Mount Zion's leadership attempted to control the situation without informing the full congregation.

Last March, about 50 members of Mount Zion set up a committee to look into procedures for forming a new congregation. They held a meeting for prospective members in mid-April. The mission statement they drafted after that meeting reflects the problems they saw with the large, 850-household Mount Zion congregation.

The mission statement for the new Reform congregation says the new group is committed to a democratic process in governing the congregation and to a policy of non-discrimination on the basis of gender, marital status and sexual orientation.

The new congregation is expected to be legally incorporated this week, Benanav said, and members will meet for their second service at 8:00 p.m. Friday, May 27, at the JCC, 1375 St. Paul Ave.

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five or six full years of Spanish or French are often able to progress to a second-year level of the language by the time they reach junior high school.

Suzanne Pfund, who has taught French at Webster since 1976, says she has two goals for her elementary students—teaching and introducing a language, and developing an appreciation for other cultures as well as French. "I want them to have a lot of fun with it so by junior or senior high they can go on to book learning," she said.

Mario Knotz, one of the two Spanish teachers at Webster, says there are 260 students in the Spanish program. In his classes he uses an immersion method—conducting the class entirely in Spanish. His classes emphasize conversation, culture and social studies, he said.

Each year Webster language students attend Concordia College Language Camp for a long weekend, and every other year the 5th- and 6th-grade Spanish students travel to Mexico.

One program that has received considerable interest is the Spanish Immersion program, which has enrolled 125 students in grades kindergarten through 2nd. The program, which is now housed at Webster but will be moving to Adams School at 615 S. Chatsworth Ave. next fall, is the most intensive foreign language experience available at the elementary level. Students begin the program in kindergarten, and while they follow the required course of study for their grade level—including reading, math, art and physical education—their entire day is spent with Spanish-speaking teachers. Though intended for children who have not been brought up bilingually, all materials and stimuli are in Spanish. Although the children can speak English to their teachers and to each other, the teachers respond in Spanish.

Study of language arts in English begins in the 2nd grade, and by 5th or 6th grade students in the immersion program will be spending approximately one half of their day studying their subjects in English. Standardized test scores indicate that students' mastery of required subjects is equal to those of children who have had all their course work presented in English.

Longfellow Humanities Magnet School, 318 Moore St., requires each student in grades kindergarten through 6th to study Spanish. World language specialist Elsa Statzner meets with each class twice a week on a rotating schedule similar to that of an art, music or physical education specialist. Students who show exceptional language ability can choose to take enhanced classes, she said.

"Humanities is the key part, which is why it is offered to everybody," Statzner said. "The goal is not proficiency in spoken Spanish, but it is also not a bunch of little words about foods." Statzner seeks to broaden the experience of her students, to help them develop an appreciation and awareness for another culture, and in a sense, for all other cultures.

She teaches 6th-graders sampler courses in German and French so they will be better equipped to choose a foreign language to study more intensely in junior high and high school.

Groveland Park School, at St. Clair and Cleveland avenues, also has a Spanish language specialist on its staff. On a rotating schedule, Mercedes Navarro teaches Spanish to every student in kindergarten through 6th grade every other day, emphasizing conversation, listening, reading and some writing. She calls her method the "natural approach—stuff they can see and touch."

Dody LeGault, the principal at St. Paul Open School, said that both French and Spanish are offered for all students as an elective in grades 1 through 6, but not every quarter. "The goal," LeGault said, "is more to get students interested in a foreign language and excited about learning and to recognize the contributions of other cultures." The size of Open School, LeGault said, limits what they can offer, and they do not have enough students for an advanced class.

Students at J. J. Hill have a 50-minute period of language study every other day. For students in grades 1 through 3, Spanish is a required class. Students in grades 4 through 6 choose the language as an elective, but only four students in the program choose not to take the class. In the upper grades there are two or three levels of language study available to accommodate students who have transferred into the magnet program from other schools and have not had the opportunity to begin Spanish before 4th grade, acording to curriculum specialist Diana Swanson.

German has also been taught at Hill for the past two years, Swanson said, for those students who began studying German in the Nova program, which was phased out. Several 5th- and 6th-graders are the only ones taking that class now, and most likely it will not be taught again next year. Hill students also attend the Concordia language camp.

Dianne Damer, who has two children at Hill, explained why she wants her children to develop competency in a world language. "Learning a foreign language is in itself an incredible education," she said. "Learning to think in a foreign language is another way of thinking, of looking at the world and expressing ideas, and it is also a way of understanding another culture. Those are critical aspects of a good education."

She and three of her children spent a summer living in Germany to have, essentially, an immersion experience. Her children have a moderate command of German and can carry on a conversation, but, she said, the youngest, who was exposed to the language earliest, has the best accent.

PHOTO BY MIKE LONG

One way that students learn French in Susan Pfund's class at Webster Magnet School is by playing a modified version of "funnybone." Classes in foreign languages are becoming more and more common in St. Paul elementary schools.

Reform congregation *(cont'd from page 1)*

Committees have been meeting for two months now to consider the religious services, educational programs and youth activities that could be offered by a new congregation, and the money that would be needed to finance them. These committees will present their recommendations and the tentative mission statement at a congregational meeting at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, June 5, at the JCC, 1375 St. Paul Ave.

Members will be asked to discuss the mission statement, the services they want from the new congregation, and the money they are willing to commit.

"At this point, nothing is hard and fast," said Benanav, a member of the new congregation's finance committee. "But we've got a better sense of where we're headed than we had two months ago."

On June 5, the finance committee will present two budgets to the congregation reflecting two levels of services, one more expensive than the other.

"We can't do everything," Benanav said; "as a small congregation, we're going to be limited. It's like starting a business: you have to focus on what people want and what you do best before you can diversify."

Benanav believes the congregation will eventually hire a part-time rabbi. "Of that I'm 99 percent certain," he said. "We don't have the need or the money for more than that."

Rhona Leibel, chair of the youth services committee, said her group was going to recommend that the congregation hire either a part-time religious education coordinator or a rabbi who's interested in coordinating religious education.

"The first year is going to be a period of planning and transition," Leibel said, "It's going to be important for us to have someone who can help us plan a religious program and coordinate it, someone who can plan a program that will satisfy a diverse congregation."

Her committee, Leibel said, will recommend that the congregation do without a Hebrew school initially, and offer its children religious instruction either in a weekly school or through participation in the congregation's regular service, which could be designed to be more accessible to children.

The congregation plans to conduct services on the second and fourth Fridays of each month throughout the summer. Until they hire a rabbi, members of the congregation will take turns planning and conducting the services, Nemiroff said.

"This is an opportunity to experiment a little bit," she said, "to see what kind of Jewish worship we're comfortable with, what kind of service we like. We don't own prayerbooks, so our services are open to some creativity.

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Members of the High Flyers investment club took a vote on a stock recommendation during a recent meeting at O'Gara's Bar and Grill.

Investment club puts premium on fun—profit's just icing on the cake

by Terry Andrews

At the monthly meeting of the High Flyers investment club, it was hard to tell when the social hour ended and the meeting began. Members (most of the 21 were present) pushed several small tables together in the back room of O'Gara's Bar and Grill and assembled over beer and popcorn and appetizers. Dress ranged from business suits to athletic shorts and baseball caps, and comments were exchanged about whether or not the people in shorts and baseball caps had to work for a living.

Mark Moeller, of R. F. Moeller Jewelers, repositioned his baseball cap squarely on his head and explained to a visitor that although the High Flyers is an investment club, it is also a social club, so enthusiasm and high spirits were to be expected.

The club has been in existence for about two years. Several of its members were originally in another club, called Safari. Safari also started out as a social club whose members wanted to learn about the stock market.

They not only learned, they made $150,000 in the process. According to Jud Hins, one of the charter members of Safari, "We had that club for eight years. We had put in $2,400 per person, and we cashed out at $7,000 or $8,000 per person. We cashed out because people started to get nervous about losing their $8,000. In the first five years we just broke even; in the last two years, we made money—$150,000."

The idea behind the original club was to learn about the stock market in an enjoyable manner, noted Hins, an owner of ConnCo Shoes. "We would research stocks and report on them."

"It was formed to speculate on penny stocks, but it hit on some big ones," Moeller added. "The fun went out of it, so the money was distributed."

High Flyers was formed with the same idea—to have fun while learning about the market. For the most part, members are interested in speculative stocks from local companies. Gordon Glendenning, a local lawyer who is president of the company, said, "The idea behind the club was to buy high-flyer stocks—speculative stocks that would either bring feast or famine. We're not buying IBM. That was the whole idea. The stocks we buy have a lot of blue sky above."

Kelly Michel, vice president of Michel Sales, a plumbing supplies distributor, said, "It's a way for all of us to act like bigshots without losing a lot of money. When we get a hot tip," he added, "well, let's just say the Little Sisters of the Poor will know about it before we do. When we vote down a stock purchase, that stock always goes up in value. When we buy something, it always goes down."

The truth of his statement is borne out by the treasurer's report, which shows that the club has purchased $20,322 worth of stock since 1986. Those stock holdings are currently worth $15,608.

"Our idea," said Hins, "is to buy low and sell high, but we can't seem to catch on to how to do that. If you showed a broker some of the stocks we have, he would say, 'You're out of your minds!'"

"During the stock market crash last fall," Moeller said, "we took it in the shorts, so to speak. But we're doing fairly well right now."

Members pay $100 to join, and $25 a month in dues. They meet once a month to go over their portfolio and to suggest stocks to buy or sell. Ribbing is an established part of the procedure. Members who suggested the purchase of stocks that lost money are reminded of their original words of praise for the company.

"We could just sell the stock," Hins said, "but sometimes we'll keep it so we can tease the person who suggested it." In fact, the person who suggests the worst stock of the year is given an award for it. Needless to say, no one looks forward to receiving the award—their photo framed in a toilet seat.

"There are some very serious stock clubs," Hins said. "Ours is not. Our premise is to learn about mostly local companies. We're not really concerned if we make money or not. But even in this club, as loose as we are, we get the background on a company (through the presentation that someone makes) and then we can do some research of our own and buy the stock on our own if we're interested.

"For instance, someone suggested today that we buy TCF stock. That's a heck of a buy and if we were really interested in buying a good stock we would buy it."

Instead, the group voted to buy stock in a small outfit that manufactures plastic coating for underground cable. "We have no hopes that that will go anywhere at all," Hins said. "But individually, we don't have much to lose. We'll sell it soon anyway."

Some of the group's stabs in the dark have paid off, however. Hins said the group bought stock in a shoe company for $12 a share. "We thought it would go up," he said. "For five months it did nothing. Then it went down to $9.00. We sold it a month ago for $19 and then it went up to $23."

Another stock—in a company that makes parachutes for ultralights—doubled in value. "We bought it for a buck and sold it for $2.00," Moeller said.

Dave Weber, a sales representative for a floor-covering distributor, is the newest member of the group. He joined in February. "I know next to nothing about the stock market," he said. "And I wanted to learn. I've learned some real basic things—like how to read the darn exchange."

"This is a fun social club," Hins said. "We have an opportunity to learn about stocks that otherwise we wouldn't know about."

"No doubt about it," Moeller agreed. "We have learned the basics about how the market works, and about buying, selling and trading stocks."

Michel added one last word: "I have friends in serious stock groups. They don't have any fun. Some people bowl for fun. This is what we do."

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A father's legacy led state's new appeals court judge into the law

by Roger Fuller

Marianne Short's decision to become a lawyer may have been part of a family heritage left by her father, the late Robert Short.

"Five of the seven children went on to study law and become lawyers," she said. "It may have been a legacy he left us." Short, 37, became a member of the Minnesota State Court of Appeals on May 20, replacing Susanne Sedgwick, who announced her resignation in February shortly before she died of cancer.

Marianne's father, Robert Short, graduated from Georgetown University Law School in Washington, D.C., and worked in the United States attorney's office in Washington and Minneapolis. He is better known, however, as owner of the Admiral Merchants trucking firm, the Leamington Hotel, the Washington Senators and the Minneapolis Lakers. He was twice defeated for statewide office on the Democratic Farmer Labor Party ticket.

Marianne Short

"A member of the court of appeals has more time to study a case in depth than a trial judge."
—Marianne Short

Marianne, who was appointed to the court by Governor Rudy Perpich, has been with the Forsey & Whitney law firm of Minneapolis for the past decade. While there, she specialized in the fields of discrimination and securities.

"In a large firm, you often have a chance to determine your field of specialization," she said. "It can depend upon your specialized background and training, an interest you developed while in law school, or it can evolve through a relationship you develop with a client or a partner in the firm who has experience in the field."

Short attended the Convent of the Visitation School in Mendota Heights and took her undergraduate degree in Boston. She graduated from Boston College Law School in 1976. It was there in Boston that she met her future husband, Ray Skowyra, who is now an executive with ADC, a telecommunications firm. Short worked in the state attorney general's office for a brief period before she joined Dorsey & Whitney in 1978.

When Short entered law school, the idea of a woman lawyer was not as accepted as it is today. "My class at Boston College was 9 percent women," she said. "It's only been during the last six or seven years that women have studied in such large numbers."

She decided to apply for a position on the court of appeals when the Sedgwick seat opened up. She sent her application to a review board that recommends a number of candidates to the governor, who makes the final decision.

Governor Perpich and Marianne's father, Robert, have crossed paths politically in the past. Perpich was elected lieutenant governor in 1970, four years after Short was defeated for the same position by Republican Jim Goetz. In November 1978, Perpich and Short were both defeated in their campaigns for the governorship and the U.S. Senate, respectively.

Short, who lives with her husband at 2215 Summit Ave., said she'll be able to spend more time with her two children, Louis, 5, and Nicholas, 3 months, when she becomes a judge. "I will still have to go out of town when the court meets around the state, but it won't be like the time I was in Los Angeles for 2½ months for the law firm," she said.

"A member of the court of appeals has more time to study a case in depth than a trial judge, who is on the line and must be prepared to make several rulings a day," she said. Her appointment maintains the membership of the court at 10 men and three women.

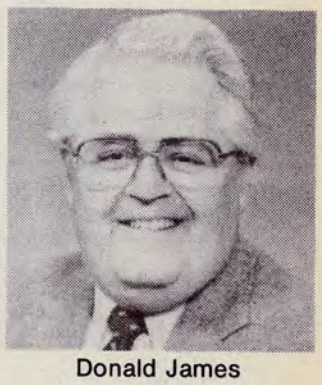
Managerial skills garner Honeywell awards for Highland Park residents Horan and James

Two Highland Park residents were among 52 worldwide employees of Honeywell Inc. to receive a coveted award bestowed annually by the corporation.

Donald James, 1310 Ford Pkwy., and Michael Horan, 1936 Hillcrest Ave., along with other employees from 16 states and six foreign countries, recently received Honeywell's Lund Award for 1987. Created three years ago by Honeywell, the Lund Award is intended to recognize and reward outstanding managers who excel in "people development."

The competition is open to all managerial personnel, with each Honeywell division selecting one winner, or, in larger divisions, one winner for each 1,500 employees. The awards, which carry a $3,000 prize, go out to managers who actively encourage innovative ideas by giving Honeywell employees challenging work assignments that tend to promote personal development.

Michael Horan



Donald James

Horan has been the manager of Defense Systems Group-West plant engineering for the past eight years. He is responsible for short- and long-range space forecasting for the building, initiating capital and expense projects necessary to meet the building's needs, and maintaining close cost control. He and his wife, Elizabeth, have five children.

James is the software engineering manager for Flight Systems Operations Services in the Military Avionics division of Honeywell. A 26-year veteran of Honeywell, James' responsibilities include managing 35 engineers who design, develop and support software products for the division's Flight Systems Operations and Inertial Instruments Operations. James and his wife, Suzanne, have two children.

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tion Administration, and is thus a federal matter.

"Federal law permits a defendant to shift a lawsuit to federal court," said Jonathan Parritz, one of the lawyers representing the citizens group. "However, we don't feel there's any basis for moving to federal court. SPANC is challenging MAC's decision to recommend the test to the FAA. The FAA hasn't even made a decision on the test yet, so legal action would not involve them at this point."

Consequently, Parritz said, SPANC is in the process of filing a counter motion to ensure that the suit remains in Ramsey County District Court. If the motion to transfer the suit to federal court is turned down, SPANC's suit will be heard in district court on Friday, May 27. That was the hearing date set before MAC filed its motion.

Meanwhile, the airports commission has fallen behind on its testing schedule. A preliminary 30-day monitoring period, the results of which were to be used as a basis of comparison for the six-month test, was begun only last week. That means the earliest possible starting date for the air-traffic test would be the latter part of June.

MAC officials said last week that they have installed two noise-monitoring devices in the Highland area. Those devices will be used to gauge airport noise levels for the next 30 days, and if the six-month test proceeds as planned, the devices will stay in place for the duration of the test. Two other sound devices will be used to monitor noise levels in Bloomington and South Minneapolis.

"We want the FAA to know that this issue involves more than just a group of neighbors."
—Bob Long

In a related matter, the St. Paul City Council voted last week to give the city attorney authorization to sue the FAA in the event the federal agency approves the air traffic test without first conducting an environmental study. According to Ward 3 St. Paul City Councilmember Bob Long, the council's action is intended to send a message to the FAA.

"We want the FAA to know that this issue involves more than just a group of neighbors and that the entire city is ready to take a strong stand on the issue," he said. "We're tired of MAC and the FAA trying to shove this thing down our throats."

And while MAC and the anti-noise coalition await their day in court, another controversial matter concerning the airport is up for public hearing. The proposed extension of runway 4-22 will be open to public discussion at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25, at Valley View Elementary School in Bloomington.

SPANC members were to meet early this week to discuss what stand they'll take on runway 4-22, which runs between Highland Park and Bloomington, but coalition member Gerald Stimmler said they will probably come out against the extension.

The extension of runway 4-22, like the six-month test itself, is designed to disperse air traffic more equitably over the metropolitan area. The vast majority of aircraft flying in and out of the international airport currently use the two parallel runways that send traffic over south Minneapolis and the Mendota Heights-Eagan corridor. MAC officials estimate that if runway 4-22 were extended, about 5 percent of metropolitan air traffic would fly over Highland, compared to the current 1 percent.

Six schools' classes of '63 plan reunion

Members of the class of 1963 from Cretin, Derham Hall, St. Thomas, Convent of the Visitation, Our Lady of Peace and St. Joseph's Academy will have their 25-year reunion from 7:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 9, at the St. Paul Athletic Club, 340 Cedar Ave.

There will be a cash bar, hot hors d'oeuvres and dancing to the smooth sound of the Sevilles. Dress will be casual. Spouses and guests are invited, but the reunion committee says not to be shy about coming alone.

Tickets are $19.63 before June 1 and $25 after that. For more information or to make reservations, call your school representative: for Visitation, call Kathy Tilton McMahon at 222-3202 or 293-9242; for Cretin, call Tom Troskey at 641-4525 or George Bonfe at 433-3985; for Our Lady of Peace, call Nancy Reusch Scanlan at 699-7877, Mary Herbst Short at 489-6939 or Mary Pat Gearin at 635-2463 or 631-0560; for Derham Hall, call Susan Clements McCloskey at 699-1476; for St. Joseph's, call Carol McCourtney Rubbelke at 778-7048 or 699-3679; for St. Thomas, call Jim Husman at 733-7973 or 731-2734.

On Friday, July 8, there will be a Cretin class of 1963 stag at J.R. Mac's, 1420 W. 7th St. The cost is $5.00, which includes snacks. There will be a cash bar.

Congregation *(cont'd from page 2)*

an active rather than a passive role in worship services," Nemiroff added. "The type of community being created right now is the type I would like to be a part of, one with a democratic and participatory spirit, a warm inclusive community."

Nemiroff said she expects her experience with this new congregation to be different than what she knew as a member of Mount Zion Temple. "It's partly a function of size, philosophy and how things are structured that make one congregation different from another," she explained.

Glen Dorfman, another member of the finance committee, said he hopes the congregation will be fully operational by fall. Between now and then lies the real hurdle, he said, the financial commitment it will take to establish the congregation.

"A small congregation is going to be more expensive for each member than a larger one," Dorfman said, "at least at the beginning. Without the necessary financial commitment at the meeting on June 5, all of the planning that has gone on before it becomes pretty academic."

Churches sponsor 5-day Bible school

A five-day vacation Bible school sponsored by the eight Presbyterian churches of St. Paul's Council Ministry will meet June 20-24 at Randolph Heights Presbyterian Church, located at the corner of Palace and Hamline avenues.

The school will be in session each day from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. and is open to 4-year-olds through 6th-graders. Students will read Bible stories and take part in art, music, service, recreation and worship activities. There will be a short all-school celebration on the last day of the school, Friday, June 24.

Registration is now being taken for the school. Parents may register their children or obtain more information by calling the church office (698-3889) Tuesday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

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Viewpoint

Lawn enhancement sprouts respect among neighbors

by Ed Kemmick

This spring I decided to get with the program. Maybe it's all part of the general slide into responsibility that comes with age, but I finally decided to do something about my lawn.

It used to be a disgraceful tangle of weeds and crabgrass, a rampant, unruly mess that was never quite green even after a big rainfall. It was an embarrassment and a blight, a constant reproach.

But no more. I am now having my lawn treated by a company called Extremely Green Lawns Inc. Gone are the dandelions, the crabgrass, the creeping Charlie. Gone are the unseemly patches of discolored grass.

Now my entire lawn is uniformly green, brilliantly green. It seems to shine with an unearthly splendor, and sometimes even long after dusk it will still be glowing, like a huge carpet of ½-watt bulbs.

And the great thing is, I don't have to do anything but fork over money to Extremely Green Lawns Inc. (Quite a bit of money, actually, but what the heck.) Every three days, workers fly over my home in a converted bomber and drop a whole load of fungicide, weed-killer and lawn-enhancement agents directly on the lawn, front and back.

After the plane makes the drop, another worker comes by and plants a little sign in the front yard. The sign looks like this:

WARNING
In strict compliance with an overbearing state law, we would like to advise you that this grass, which has been treated with lawn-enhancement agents, could be somewhat harmful if eaten in large quantities.

(actual size)

I asked one of the workers once if maybe the sign wasn't a bit on the small side, but he said, "You're paying a lot of money to enhance this lawn. Do you really want to ruin the effect with a great big sign?"

Besides, the important thing is our own kids. We were told to keep them off the lawn for 2½ days after each treatment. This gives them only half a day in the yard every three days, but as the Extremely Green Lawns representative told me on the phone the night I signed up for the service, "You can't expect to enhance your lawn and not pay a price. Rome wasn't built in a day."

That sounded pretty convincing, but I still wasn't sure. When I asked my wife which option she favored, i.e., lawn enhancement or recreational opportunities for the kids, she said, "I guess I would have to choose the option which best improves our reputation vis-a-vis the neighbors, so I say let's go with the lawn enhancement."

In retrospect, I would have to say that she and the gentleman from Extremely Green Lawns were right. We have really improved our standing in the neighborhood. For instance, the Johannsens, who live two doors down and have a very gorgeous, weed-free lawn of uniform length, recently invited us over for a barbecue on their patio, which they never did before.

I have also been asked to organize this year's block party, whereas last year I wasn't even invited but just sort of barged in on everybody after it was in progress. And Mrs. Frank Hanson, the old widow who lives down the street, walked past the house last week and remarked that it was a lovely evening. No big deal in and of itself, but she used to go by my yard with a look of boiling revulsion on her face, and once or twice I swore I heard her mumbling something about calling the police.

These are benefits of a lawn-enhancement service that I never dreamed of, and they have entirely erased my initial doubts about spending so much money for a green lawn. You can't pin a price on respectability.

I also want to point out that I am not one of these people with no social conscience. I was deeply concerned about the possibility of environmental degradation. I remembered reading that tons of toxic chemicals flow into the Mississippi every time it rains because of all the lawn-treatment services around here.

I asked the Extremely Green Lawns representative about this and he assured me, in the most conclusive and forthright manner possible, "That's a bunch of hogwash." Which goes to show you that these environmentalists shouldn't be shooting their mouths off until they've looked into the matter.

In fact, I wish everyone would look into it, and would start getting their lawns enhanced just as soon as possible. Particularly the Millers, who live across the street. Their lawn is an absolute disgrace.

Misch-Masch

by Maurice Mischke

He probably wasn't the first to use it, but President John F. Kennedy often gets credit for the expression, "Life isn't fair." I can't recall in what context it was used. Maybe in reference to younger brother Bobby gaining the attorney general's post, primarily on the strength of his sibling position and political efforts on behalf of his big brother John.

Be that as it may, wouldn't it be wonderful if the political processes in this country were guided by what is fair and equitable instead of—as happens all too frequently—by the sheer weight of (voting) numbers that various pressure groups bring to bear on the legislative process. Too often, special interests are heard and served, with little regard for just plain fairness and the merits of the case.

A number of examples come to mind. First and foremost, I'm thinking of the proposed Act for Better Child Care (ABC) which seems to be gaining a lot of support in the halls of Congress. It's tough, in an election year, to vote against anything purportedly geared to "better child care." And day care for children *is* a problem, especially for those among the lower income brackets.

But is this the way to achieve better child care? Is it a fair and equitable answer to the problem of helping parents solve the problem of day-care costs and availability? Under the terms of the proposed bill, parental choice is paid lip service by virtue of the fact that eligible recipients are given child-care vouchers. But it then declares that the vouchers are to be considered a form of governmental aid. And *that* means that parents with children in church-sponsored day-care centers need not apply. That automatically eliminates a lot of fine day-care facilities which these parents have found to be a comforting and reliable source of child-care services.

And what about those parents who rely on relatives or neighbors for day care—sometimes with pay, sometimes without. Apparently, if they find their current arrangements comfortable, they get nothing by way of subsidy. That doesn't seem fair either. The loving care their children receive could, in many cases, be far superior to what's available otherwise.

But the unfairness of it all doesn't stop there. What about those mothers who make the financial sacrifice and take care of their children at home, or those who work only part time, or those who do their work in the home? Why should these families carry an extra-income tax load to help support two-income families? Given the terms of the bill, an individual state may subsidize day care for parents with incomes of up to 115% of that state's median income. The national maximum average income to qualify for federal subsidies is $33,908. I don't know what the figure is for Minnesota, but in New Jersey, for example, it's $46,920; Massachusetts, $44,941; and Illinois, $39,530. I would guess Minnesota's figure is somewhere in the neighborhood of $37,500.

And speaking of fairness, we're actually giving parents a pretty bad shake in terms of income tax credits these days. I read somewhere that if we were to give parents the same effective per-child deduction on their federal income tax as we were giving back in 1950, the amount today would be about $6,000 per child. For years it was only $600 and now its only $2,000.

Some alternative suggestions to the ABC have been advanced that would be far more fair to *all* parents with pre-school children. Robert Rector, a policy analyst with the Heritage Foundation, backed by an ad-hoc coalition known as Choice for Families with Children, has called for a tax credit of $750 for each child aged 5 or under. Under his plan, low-income families would receive an earned income credit in like amount. According to Rector, his plan would cost no more than ABC over a five-year period. And you would avoid the costly bureaucracy that would automatically be part of ABC. Rector believes his proposal is much more fair and says, "After all, the federal government is already paying 40 percent of the costs of day care in the United States through Title XX and Head Start." It seems to me that fairness, along with the quality of care for our children, is at stake here. Let's hope the ABC stampede doesn't succeed.

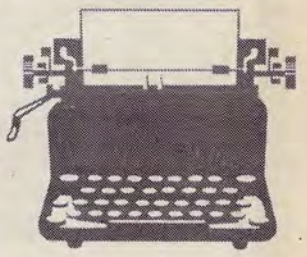
It certainly is heartening to note the rapid progress being made in the construction of the Village Mall at Highland. When it's completed, it could mean the addition of 40 or more retail businesses in Highland Village and up to eight new offices. And by the end of the year it's bound to enhance the entire Highland Village business district as a shopping mecca. Add to that the convenience factor of a three-level parking ramp with direct access to each of the shopping floors and you wind up with a very attractive package for new customers as well as new tenants. Milt Cohen, who has been the principal owner of the properties on which the new mall and parking ramp is being built, deserves credit for seeing the project through to completion. (There were countless hurdles to overcome, as you must have noted if you've been following the *Villager* over the past few years.) In the past two years Cohen aligned himself with an experienced developer, Weis Companies of Rochester, and a well-known leasing agent, Lincoln Properties. Here's to the Village Mall's success. Highland can only benefit from the fact that it is now finally coming to pass.

In making its presentation to prospective tenants, Lincoln Properties has developed some interesting statistics on local demographics. According to the best estimates from the 1980 U.S. Census and several other sources, updated to 1986, population within a one-mile, three-mile and a five-mile radius of the Village Mall has declined in the past six years. That figures, since a major portion of those radii fall with the St. Paul and Minneapolis city limits, and in-city population has been declining for both cities. Charge that to the recent birth dearth as well as to the tendency for young families to go suburban, whether for schools or for open spaces. Still, by 1986 estimates, 15,430 people lived within a one-mile radius of the mall, 118,743 within a three-mile radius, and 321,542 within a five-mile radius. Income levels were especially interesting (the closer to Highland, the higher the income): household incomes of $75,000 or more within a mile, 10.69 percent; three miles, 5.85 percent; five miles, 4.83 percent; household incomes of $50,000 or more (including the higher figures, too) within one mile, 27.02 percent; three miles, 18.19 percent; five miles, 15.59 percent.

As you might expect, the population is also older than average in Highland: age 55 and up within a one-mile radius, 31.74 percent; within three miles, 27.04 percent; within five miles, 24.69 percent. It's an interesting double-check on what's been happening since the 1980 census. And the next one is only two years away.

Well, it's time for an *arrivederci*. In the meantime, let's strive for fairness—and a level playing field.

The Village Post



Clearing up a mistake

Dear editor:

With respect to the controversy surrounding City Councilmember Bob Long and the general business licensing issue, the Highland Business Association discussed the matter with Long at a meeting in early March. Councilman Long was quick to point out that he had been mistakenly associated with leading the effort for general business licensing. He further assured us that he would not lend support to any effort to establish a citywide business license.

The Highland Business Association members in attendance at this meeting were confident that Councilman Long's stand on this issue was reflective of our position against such licensing.

Richard W. Ducharme, President
Highland Business Association

The rights of victims

To the editor:

During the most recent legislative sessions, victims of violent crimes in Minnesota were afforded the right to verbally address the court prior to the sentencing of a convicted offender. Additionally, new means of assuring that the voices and needs of victims are heard were made an integral part of Minnesota law.

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Senator Dick Cohen worked tirelessly to assure passage of the bill which assured these very important rights to crime victims. The bill was strongly contested by those who felt victims did not belong in the courtroom and took a circuitous route through both houses prior to passage. It is fortunate that we have a legislator with the tenacity and integrity to stand by a critical change in policy on behalf of those who have no voice of their own.

F. A. Spler-King, Executive Director
Crime Victim and Witness Advisory Council

Dismaying news

To the editor:

I read with dismay your article (*Highland Villager*, April 27) on Stuart Corporation's proposal to develop the Watergate Marina site. Apparently, the Division of Parks and Recreation believes the construction of a restaurant, yacht club, ship store, swimming pool, skating rink and tennis courts—along with a twofold increase in the existing number of boat slips—would be the best use of the property between Crosby Lake and Hidden Falls.

I am especially concerned about the impact of a major increase in human, auto and boat traffic on Crosby.

Crosby is a 420-acre park on the flood plain of the Mississippi and Minnesota rivers below Fort Snelling. The park's walking paths pass through cattail marsh, pine and spruce stands, woods of giant oak, cottonwood and maple, and along the strip of beach that slopes down to the river's edge. Two marsh-bordered lakes provide nesting places for red-winged blackbirds, tree swallows and egrets. Waterfowl are abundant and the woods are home to barred owls and numerous songbirds. Spring and summer wildflowers grow everywhere.

I do not believe that Stuart Corporation's proposed "year-round recreational facility" is compatible with the existing uses of the adjacent parks. I urge everyone concerned with preserving this urban wildlife habitat to express their concerns to the Division of Parks and Recreation, the City Council and the DNR.

Susan Friborg
2099 Village Lane

No simple solution

To the editor:

Maurice Mischke's comments (*Highland Villager*, April 27) regarding Minnesota worker's compensation and criticism of Representatives Kathleen Vellenga and Howard Orenstein and Senator Richard Cohen were unfair and failed to recognize some of the real issues.

Both Representative Vellenga and Orenstein voted for a worker's compensation bill that would have addressed many of the problems in worker's compensation and would have cut the cost of worker's compensation to Minnesota employers by at least 10 percent. Senator Cohen had earlier voted for an amendment that also would have cut costs substantially. Unfortunately, that amendment was narrowly defeated. All three of these elected officials are on record as voting to make substantial changes which would have resulted in saving employers $100 million a year while protecting the rights and lives of injured employees.

The simple solution proposed by Mr. Mischke to resolve the worker's compensation problem by cutting benefits is not by itself the answer. While it is true that the cost of worker's compensation in Minnesota is high and that some inequities exist in the current benefit level, it is also true that at least 73 percent of injured employees receive no more than two-thirds of their pre-injury wage and a number of these employees receive even less than that. For someone who is seriously injured and who has ongoing expenses such as housing, food, medical and transportation, it is very difficult to get by on a worker's compensation check. In addition, it is not uncommon for an injured worker to have to wait 16 months or more before receiving any compensation, during which time there is no income. How many people do you know who could afford to go without income for 16 months? I certainly do not know many.

Yes, it is true that employers in this state are paying far too much for worker's compensation insurance and that in certain instances employees are being overcompensated. The answer does not lie in taking a meat-ax approach to benefits. If 80 percent of the problem lies with 20 percent of the employees it makes no sense to punish 100 percent of the employees. Rather let us use a scalpel approach and fix that part of the system that needs surgery and which will make Minnesota employers more competitive. I am proud that Representatives Vellenga and Orenstein and Senator Cohen understand that approach.

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May 25

AN OPEN HOUSE will be held today at Children's Country Day, a child-care center on a farm setting at 1588 S. Victoria Rd., Mendota Heights. There will be tours of the grounds and a chance to visit and pet the animals.

A SEMINAR ON CAREER and service opportunities offered by the Peace Corps will be held tonight at 7:00 at the Peace Corps regional office, located in the old federal building at 212 S. 3rd Ave., Minneapolis. The seminar will include a film, presentation by Peace Corps staff, and discussion. No reservations are needed.

May 27

THE MINNESOTA LANDSCAPE ARBORETUM will be toured today in a Senior Citizens Day program sponsored by the District 14 Living at Home Program and the St. Paul Public Schools Community Education. The cost, including transportation, is $3.50. For more information, call 293-8948 or 698-7973.

May 28

A SIDEWALK CAFE AND RUMMAGE SALE hosted by the Salvation Army's Women's Home League will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. today at 401 W. 7th Street. For more information, call Major McArthur at 224-4316.

THE CENTRAL AMERICA RESOURCE CENTER will have a coffee hour this morning at 10:30 at 1701 University Ave., Minneapolis. Sherry Wilson, a member of Women Against Military Madness and Indian Concern for Central America, and Ruth Voights, chair of the department of liberal arts at the Minneapolis College of Art and Design and a member of INCA, will discuss native American issues. Admission is $2.00 and includes bagels and Nicaraguan coffee. Children are welcome to attend. Child care can be provided with two days notice. For more information, call 379-8799.

A ONE-DAY BENEFIT for Family Service of Greater St. Paul will be held today from 10:30 a.m. to midnight at the Haagen Dazs Shoppe at 867 Grand Ave. The shop will donate the proceeds of all sales made today to Family Service, which will use the funds in its counseling, educational and advocacy programs.

May 30

THE JEWISH WAR VETERANS of the U.S.A. posts 162 and 354 and their auxiliaries will have their memorial day ceremonies this morning. Services will take place at 9:00 at the Westside-Hebron Cemetery, at 9:40 at Chesed Shel Emes Cemetery, at 10:20 at Sons of Jacob Cemetery, at 11:00 at Mount Zion Cemetery and at 11:30 at Temple of Aaron Cemetery.

A CAPTAIN'S INSPECTION and a dress parade will be re-enacted by the troops at Fort Snelling today in honor of Memorial Day. Costumed interpreters will show how soldiers prepared themselves for weekly inspections at the frontier fort in 1827. The gates will open to the public at 10:00, when the soldiers will be busy sweeping, washing and painting their quarters, and attending to their uniforms and equipment. The captain's inspection will begin promptly at 2:30 p.m., followed by a dress parade. A court martial will be re-enacted at 3:30. Admission to the fort is $2.00 for adults and $1.00 for senior citizens and children 6 through 15. For more information, call 726-1171.

PHOTO BY MIKE LONG

May Vang, a 6th-grader at Horace Mann Elementary School, peers from behind a mask she made for an exhibit mounted last week at the Highland Bank. Fifth- and 6th-graders from Horace Mann created a large collection of masks for the exhibit. The school and the bank are part of the Business and Education Partnership Program sponsored by St. Paul Public Schools and the St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce.

June 2

SENIOR CITIZENS are invited to have their blood pressure screened for free today between 10:30 a.m. and noon at the Jewish Community Center, 1375 St. Paul Ave. Call 698-0751 for more information.

June 3

THE LOFT will hold its annual book sale today from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in Calhoun Square at Hennepin Avenue and Lake Street. All books have been donated by friends of the Loft who have a special interest in literature.

June 4

THE NEWLY REMODELED St. Anthony Park Library, 2245 Como Ave., will hold a used-book sale today from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in conjunction with the St. Anthony Park Festival. The book sale will be held in the library auditorium and will feature adult and children's books.

THE BONNE BELL 10K RACE, open to women of all ages, will be run at 8:00 a.m. today around Lake Nokomis in Minneapolis. Medals will be awarded to the top 100 finishers, and trophies will go to the top five finishers in 12 age groups and a wheelchair division. The fee is $10. For more information, call Mary Lou Carlson at 861-6386.

THE PILGRIM LUTHERAN CHURCH GUILD will hold its annual yard sale today from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the church, 1935 St. Clair Ave.

June 5

THE 43rd ANNUAL CONVENTION of the Department of Minnesota and Auxiliary of the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A. will be held today at the Sheraton Airport Hotel in Bloomington. Many distinguished guests have been invited to attend the joint memorial services at 11:30 a.m. and the luncheon at noon. The keynote speaker will be JWV National Commander Jack Litz of New Jersey.

June 7

PRACTICAL SELF-DEFENSE for women will be demonstrated by Judy Luchsinger, an author and lecturer on the subject, from 7:00 to 9:00 tonight at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, 1111 Summit Ave. Admission to the program is free and child care will be available. For more information, call the church at 222-6220.

June 8

THE ST. PAUL CHAPTER of Hadassah will sponsor its ninth annual bridge league luncheon today at noon at Hillcrest Country Club. Hadassah members interested in joining the bridge league may call Bette Gottesman at 698-2711 or Bonnie Abrahamson at 698-7487.

SEPARATED AND DIVORCED men and women are invited to register for a non-denominational, six-session workshop on "Living Well After Divorce," which will first meet at 7:30 this evening at Jewish Family Service, 1546 St. Clair Ave. The cost is $40, and some scholarships are available. For more information, call 698-0767.

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Inside the House

by Rep. Kathleen Vellenga
District 64A

WORKING ON WORKER'S COMP

When we adjourned the 1988 session, everything was settled except worker's compensation reform. This issue is not easily resolved. Worker's compensation was devised as a method to avoid expensive court cases when there is a dispute over whether a worker's injuries prevent him or her from returning to work. There must be a balance between providing coverage for injured workers and not financially burdening employers whose workers have never been injured.

The bill, backed by business, eliminated the worker's compensation court of appeals, throwing all the worker's compensation cases into the regular courts, which would have been an enormous burden. This bill passed, but the governor vetoed it. Business said the labor-backed bill would not have reduced their coverage expenses. I voted for a compromise, which failed. Then I voted for another compromise, which the Senate refused to consider. If something is not negotiated between now and next January, the issues will again be occupying a lot of the next Legislature's time.

There has been extensive coverage of the tax and education bills. The goal of the tax bill was to reduce property taxes without reducing the only revenue source for cities, counties and school districts.

An important income tax reform that's important to individuals is the retirement income exclusion, which is based on total household income for taxpayers who are 65 or older or disabled. By basing the exclusion on all retirement income, the plan provides equitable tax treatment for pensioners and Social Security recipients.

I described the negotiation process for the school finance bill in my last column. The final agreement increased aid to all schools by $20 per pupil across the board. Aid to districts like St. Paul was increased by $30 per pupil. St. Paul will receive $5 million in funding for its integration programs.

For a summary of all the legislation that passed, please call my office.

The demands people make on government have increased as changes in society bring more complex problems and stress. An example is the increasing number of disputes involving child-support payments and the demand for the government to be involved in collecting such payments. It would take another column to list all the problems people are asking government to solve. During the next few months I will be studying whether the government can or should become more involved in some of these issues.

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District 14 Community Council News

NEW MEMBER, OFFICERS ELECTED

At the District 14 Community Council's May meeting, held last Thursday, Richard Vinar, 1372 Lincoln Ave., was elected as a representative at-large on the council's board of directors. Still vacant is one of two positions representing District 14 businesses. That position can be filled at any board meeting, held on the third Thursday of each month at the Edgcumbe Recreation Center, 320 S. Griggs St.

New officers were also elected at the May meeting. Serving a second term as president will be Tom Kayser, 466 S. Mississippi River Blvd. Abby Struck, 1830 James Ave., will be vice president for a second term, and Tom Flynn, 2136 Sargent Ave., will be the council's new secretary. Elected treasurer was Jeff Cairns, 1894 Summit Ave.

Also on the agenda of the May meeting was a discussion of a parking variance for Jolanda's Gourmet to Go, a catering and restaurant business at 1836 Grand Ave. City code requires Jolanda's building, which also houses two dwelling units, to have 10 off-street parking spaces, and she has only four. The community council voted unanimously to oppose this variance because there is already a serious parking problem in that area. The city's Board of Zoning Appeals was to have made a decision on this matter on May 24.

The community council decided to take no position on an application by the Green Mill bar and restaurant for a strong-beer license because no one was present from that business. The Green Mill is now licensed to serve 3.2 beer. The community council will ask that the City Council take no action on this matter June 14 and lay it over until after the community council's June 16 meeting.

NEIGHBORHOOD FESTIVAL PLANNED

The District 14 Community Council recently received a grant from the city of St. Paul to put on a neighborhood festival that tentatively has been scheduled for August 18 at Edgcumbe Playground. The first planning meeting for this event will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 31, at Edgcumbe Recreation Center. Residents interested in helping plan this event are encouraged to attend the meeting. For more information, call the community council office at 698-7973.

ST. THOMAS STUDY DISCUSSED

On May 31, there will be a meeting of those interested in a recently completed study projecting the impact of an expanding College of St. Thomas on the surrounding residential neighborhood. This study, commissioned by the city of St. Paul in the spring of 1987, was conducted in response to neighborhood concerns related to St. Thomas' long-range plans for building on the former St. Paul Seminary campus and the two blocks located between Grand, Summit, Cretin and Cleveland avenues. The meeting is the first in a series on the college's overall special condition use permit, which will outline the parameters of St. Thomas' future development. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Merriam Park Community Center, 2000 St. Anthony Ave. For more information, call Kathie Tarnowski, District 14 community organizer, at 698-7973.

CHILD-CARE PROGRAM IN THE WORKS

Beginning with the 1988-89 school year, a new after-school and school holiday child-care program will be offered at Groveland Park Elementary School and the adjoining recreation center. The new Groveland S'More Fun program is being designed by Groveland school parents based on the Discovery Clubs run by the St. Paul and Robbinsdale public school districts. The program will be sponsored by the city's Division of Parks and Recreation in cooperation with Groveland Principal Dr. Charles Weldin and his staff.

The program will be staffed by a licensed teacher and at least one assistant teacher on a maximum ratio of 1 to 10. A parent advisory committee will be involved in the hiring of staff and developing a curriculum. The program will cost $30 a week, with an additional charge for school holidays.

In order to ensure that the program will run as planned, it is important that at least 10 children be registered for the program by the end of this school year. Interested parents may obtain registration forms at the Groveland school office, the Groveland Recreation Center office, or the District 14 Community Council office. For more information, call the community council office at 698-7973 or Angela Murray, Groveland Rec Center director, at 298-5775.

ST. CLAIR TREES IN DANGER

The sight of X's painted on the mature boulevard trees on St. Clair Avenue between Snelling and Fairview avenues last week prompted a number of area residents to call the community council office. Those calls resulted in a one-week moratorium on the cutting down of those trees (although several of them had already been felled).

The trees were marked for destruction as part of the street reconstruction and sewer separation work planned for this summer on St. Clair between Cretin Avenue and Saratoga Street. The community council supported the reconstruction of the street in conjunction with the sewer-separation project, but only if it would not involve widening the street to the width required under the state's municipal aid standards.

The state did grant a variance from the width standards for the stretch of St. Clair between Snelling and Cretin. Unfortunately, however, the city forester has determined that street and sewer work is likely to damage roots anyway, which will weaken—and eventually kill—any trees that are closer than two feet from the curb. Since most of the mature trees on St. Clair are far less than two feet from the curb, they have been marked for removal.

Ward 3 St. Paul City Councilmember Bob Long has scheduled meetings this week to discuss saving these trees. For more information, call the community council office at 698-7973 or Long at 298-4473.

'LIVING AT HOME' LAUDED

May 10 was proclaimed "District 14 Living at Home Volunteer Recognition Day" by St. Paul Mayor George Latimer. That proclamation acknowledged the Living at Home Project's first anniversary of service to older District 14 residents and their families, and honored the neighborhood volunteers who gave hundreds of hours to more than 600 senior citizens in the past year.

More and more elderly residents are requesting assistance of some type through the project, meaning that more and more volunteers are needed. If you have a few hours to spare and want to help out an older neighbor, just give the community council office a call at 698-7973. Of particular need at this time are volunteers to help with shopping and running errands.

The Living at Home project has also been working to develop events of interest to senior citizens. One such event will be a Mississippi River cruise on the Jonathan Paddleford on Friday, June 24. The cost will be $8.00. A bus for those going on the cruise will leave the Edgcumbe Recreation Center at 11:15 a.m. and the Groveland Rec Center at 11:25. It will return to Edgcumbe at 2:15 and Groveland at 2:30.

This trip is being co-sponsored by the District 14 Community Council and Groveland-Randolph Community Education. Checks should be mailed to the Community Education office, 1700 Summit Ave., by June 15. For more information, call Chris Rosenthal, District 14 Living at Home coordinator, at 698-7973.

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Highland Area Community Council Capsule

NEW BOARD MEMBERS NAMED

Three new representatives were named to the Board of Directors of the Highland Area Community Council at the council's May 12 meeting.

Dennis Osborn was selected by the Highland Business Association to serve as the business representative on the board. Gretchen Lennon, 1706 Bayard Ave., was appointed to represent grid 2, and Gordon Westerberg, 695 Mount Curve Blvd., was appointed to serve as the grid 6 representative.

Also at that meeting, the board approved a change in its by-laws that would allow the board to appoint any Highland resident to represent a grid if that slot has been vacant for one meeting. Previously, the board could appoint a representative to a vacant grid seat only if it had been vacant for three meetings.

FIRESTONE PLANS APPROVED

The board of directors, at its May 12 meeting, reviewed a site plan for a Firestone service facility proposed for the northwest corner of Ford Parkway and Mount Curve Boulevard. The board approved the site plan, which calls for a 10-bay service facility with a 26-car parking lot on the north and east sides of the site.

The buildings on the site would be demolished, and access to the new facility would be via three one-way driveways on Ford, Mount Curve and the alley. The proposed site is zoned industrial.

In recommending approval of the site plan, the HACC board did include several stipulations: creation of a four-foot-high, 25-foot-long berm along the eastern side of the parking lot on Mount Curve; installation of the company's sign on the southwest corner of the site rather than the southeast corner; the use of security lights only after business hours; and the removal of plowed snow from the property.

The board learned that Firestone has recently revised its plans and no longer favors a 20-foot-high sign. It is now proposing to erect a 7-foot-6 brick base topped by a 4-foot-6 sign. Firestone representative Gene Pederson said the business likely would have a 6:00 p.m. closing time. He also said the facility would probably serve 50 vehicles a day, at most.

HILLCREST FUNDING SOUGHT

During the last two capital improvement budget cycles, the Highland Area Community Council has asked the city to construct a community recreation center at Hillcrest Playground. The council maintains that recreational activities at Hillcrest continue to expand, but the range of programs is always limited by the inadequate facilities.

The board has now recommended forming an ad hoc committee of interested local residents and Hillcrest personnel to prepare a capital improvement budget request for Hillcrest. The proposal would be presented during the next biennial round of requests. It was recommended that Mark Moeller take the lead in forming such a committee.

Anyone interested in serving on this committee should call the HACC office at 690-0866.

BOARD SETS GOALS, ACTIVITIES

The Highland Area Community Council has approved a number of goals and activities for 1988-89. The goals of the Human Services Committee will be to maintain and improve the quality of life in District 15, addressing itself to such concerns as public safety, recreational and social services, environmental quality and human services. In the way of activities, it intends to:

•Strengthen the "Safe Home" program by seeking help from the PTAs of local public and parochial schools.

•Form an ad hoc committee that will formulate a strong presentation to seek funding from the city's capital improvement budget for a community recreation center at Hillcrest Playground.

•Continue expanding the recycling program in District 15. It has already grown from collecting 12 tons of recyclables once a month from 800 households to collecting more than 50 tons twice a month from more than 1,400 homes.

•Sponsor a community social as way of saying "thank you" to local residents. This could also be combined with a fund-raising event for the district.

•Maintain a support role for the successful Highland Block Nurse Program.

•Work with the public affairs division of the St. Paul Police Department to make a Crime Watch Program speaker available to community organizations.

The goals of the council's Transportation Committee will be to help ensure the development and livability of the Highland community through the safe and efficient movement of people and goods, and through the elimination of vehicular and pedestrian conflicts. It activities will include:

•Assisting residents of District 15 grids who want to establish basketweave stop-sign placements.

•Reviewing all parking issues near the intersection of Pinehurst and Cleveland avenues, and in the vicinity of the College of St. Catherine.

•Reviewing any site plans that raise concerns having to do with transportation or traffic.

•Responding to neighborhood concerns relating to stop signs, traffic speed and parking.

The Community Development Committee's general goal is to review all land-use issues and to solicit advice and comment from the community. In the way of activities it will:

•Work closely with the Highland Business Association to ensure that any plans for commercial, business or industrial development in the Highland business community complies with the Highland Village Plan.

•Review site plans and variance requests for business, commercial, industrial and residential projects before seeking review from the full HACC board, and give neighbors a chance to review and comment on such plans.

•Seek to ensure that all developments and changes in the community represent what is best for the applicant, neighbors and the overall Highland community, and to seek compromise when necessary.

•Represent positions taken by the community council before the City Council or any city committees and agencies.

•Work closely with other boards, committees and organizations in District 15.

•Enlist the aid of the city of St. Paul or government agencies when expert opinion and research are needed to consider local projects or proposals.

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Psychologist works to help young and old see the good side of aging

by Terry Andrews

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Ann Gerike

Age discrimination, according to psychologist Ann Gerike, is no different from any other form of discrimination. "It's like an onion," she said. "You peel off one layer and there's another there."

Gerike, whose private practice deals with midlife and aging issues, made those remarks at a recent workshop in the Wellington apartment complex in Shepard Park. The workshop, sponsored by the Twin Cities Gray Panthers, the Jewish Community Center and the Stuart Corporation, was directed at professionals who work with the elderly, but its lessons clearly were applicable to the society at large.

Gerike opened her presentation with a metaphor, comparing age to the seasons, and describing what she liked about spring, summer, fall and winter. "All the seasons of life are beautiful and all have disadvantages and advantages," she said.

She pointed out that ageist language is based on negative stereotypes. "The word 'old' is avoided," she said. "People talk about senior citizens, but not old people. Old is a good word."

When she asked the audience for examples of negative stereotypes related to age, they responded with "over the hill," "old geezer," "codger," "dirty old man," and "women of a certain age." These terms, Gerike said, are offensive to older people. "When young people talk about how they hate growing old in front of older people, that's offensive, too," she said. "They're saying, 'I can't stand the thought of becoming what you are.'"

She cited other expressions as well. "When people say they're 75 years young, that doesn't make sense at all. Or when someone says you're as young (or as old) as you feel, that implies that when you're old you feel bad. Old people have more health problems, but they don't necessarily feel bad." Gerike, 54, describes herself as an older woman.

"Every time you use the word old and contrast it to young, you're implying that old is bad," she said. "I have more energy now at 54 than I had at 34 when I was raising my kids. But to say that inside I'm the same as 20 years ago is a denial of the growth that's occurred."

People frequently comment that women "lose their looks" as they age. "I say you don't lose your looks, you change your looks," Gerike said. "If so many old people didn't dye their gray hair, we would see that older people are capable of many activities. There are a lot of people walking around doing things who've dyed their hair."

She stressed that society needs to broaden the concept of what is attractive. "We need to reach the point where a grey-haired, wrinkled woman is considered as attractive as a gray-haired, wrinkled man," she said. "I wish that Angela Lansbury on 'Murder She Wrote' would let her hair go gray. She's already such a wonderful model for older people."

Gerike, a licensed consulting psychologist, has chosen to focus on helping older women accept their age and changing looks. "When you hear a comment like, 'She really looks good for her age,' it suggests that women get uglier as they age," she said.

Gerike said that women face much more prejudice as they age than men. "They're more likely to dye their hair and lie about their age. Women experience more ageism in the workplace. Looking attractive is equated with looking young. There is certainly a notion that professional women shouldn't have gray hair," said Gerike, whose own hair is almost totally gray.

People attending the workshop ranged in age from 13 to 82. The 13-year-old, Andrew Wiley, is a Gray Panther and a Ramsey Junior High student. He participated in a skit that dealt with ageist stereotypes.

After Gerike's talk, members of the audience formed small groups to discuss their own concerns about aging. The 82-year-old, a resident of the Wellington, said she felt grateful for the life she'd had. "And I'm fortunate that I can still balance my checking account," she added.

A 42-year-old woman said, "Thinking about aging makes me feel proud of the whole process of growth. It makes me look forward to growing older." Another woman, in her 40s, said she liked having the wisdom she didn't have when she was younger.

A woman in her 70s noted: "I feel the difference physically, but mentally I'm quite capable. My children don't know what to think. They go back and forth between wanting to do things for me and saying 'Oh no, am I going to be my mother's caretaker?' All in all," she added, "I feel very comfortable with my age. When people tell me I don't look my age, I don't consider that any more of a compliment than if they said 'You don't look Jewish.'"

Gerike, a former editor, left that career to pursue a doctorate degree. She received her Ph.D. at the age of 50. A recent arrival to the Twin Cities, Gerike has begun a practice in which she hopes to deal with such issues as "how people deal with aging and their own mortality and their parents aging."

Gerike said her interest in aging stems in part from the fact that she began her new career in her 50s, and also because she watched the aging process of her parents.

"What interests me most," she said, "is family issues. When parents get older, all the issues that weren't resolved come up. The children argue about who loves Mom best and who knows what's best for her."

She has faced similar problems with her own parents, both of whom are now dead. "As long as a parent is alive, it's kind of a barrier to your own mortality. I remember one day a friend said to me, 'Now you're an orphan.' I had never thought of it that way, but it's true."

S'More Fun after-school care program planned at Groveland

A new child-care program for after-school hours and school holidays will begin this fall at Groveland Park Elementary School, 2045 St. Clair Ave. The Groveland S'More Fun program, sponsored by the St. Paul Division of Parks and Recreation, is being tailored to the needs of Groveland Park students by a committee of their parents.

Parents must register their children for the program by Monday, June 6. The registration fee is $25.

The program will run from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. on weekdays at a cost of $30 a week, with an additional charge for care on school holidays. It will be staffed by a licensed teacher and at least one assistant teacher.

A parent advisory committee will hire the staff and develop the curriculum. The program is expected to include field trips, games and school enrichment, science, music and nature activities. A room for reading and unstructured activity is also planned.

For more information, call the school office at 293-8760.

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GET THE LEAD OUT

This is the time of year when many Mac-Groveland residents make plans for home improvements such as repainting their houses. In many cases, they will have to remove old, peeling paint before giving the house a fresh coat.

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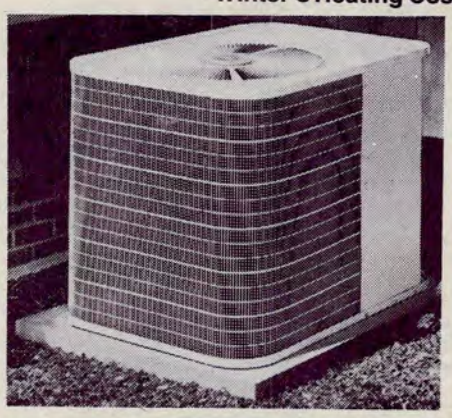

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The HBA Today

by Constance M. Wittek, Executive Director
Highland Business Association

GREENING OF THE VILLAGE

As the end of May approaches, the beautification of the Highland Village commercial area is becoming more apparent. The entire area is being cleaned and maintained this spring through the efforts of the Highland Business Association. The HBA has also taken responsibility for the replacement of dead trees and shrubs, most of which should be done by the end of the month. The Ramsey County Garden Club has been working hard each week tidying up the brick planters, and by June 1 hundreds and hundreds of marigolds will be gracing the Village, providing a colorful welcome to anyone coming to Highland during the summer of '88.

The HBA owes thanks to many for their investment in this project, especially to Lee Shannon and her volunteers from the garden club for their many hours of service, and to the many merchants who have been willing to take personal responsibility for watering the planters near their place of business.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED

The Highland Business Association is now 96 members strong with the recent addition of five more firms or organizations. They are:

• Highland Christian Children's Center, a nursery school and day-care facility located at Ford Parkway Baptist Church, 1901 Ford Pkwy. Lorelei Weidman and Julie Nielsen are the administrators of the center.

• Dennis Osborn, a realtor with Edina Realty's Highland Park office, 735 S. Cleveland Ave.

• The law firm of Caldis & Caldis, which is located in the Investors Savings building at 757 S. Cleveland Ave., Suite 125. Brothers Todd G. and Steven H. Caldis head up this general practice law firm, whose emphases are litigation, probate and estate planning.

• Disc Concepts Inc., 1894 Ford Pkwy., marketers of flying discs (Frisbees) and other equipment used in the sport of disc golf and related activities. Disc Concepts, which is owned by Bill Ashton and Chris Linde, also organizes disc golf tournaments and establishes permanent disc golf courses, like the one recently installed in Highland Park.

• Coldwell Banker Real Estate, 604 S. Snelling Ave. Coldwell Banker is a member of the Sears Financial Network. The Highland office is managed by Anne Waters.

The HBA welcomes these firms and organizations into the association and invites anyone interested in further information about membership to call HBA Executive Director Connie Wittek at 699-9042.

UPCOMING MEETINGS SET

HBA members will meet for "Breakfast at Tiffany's" the morning of Thursday, May 26. Guest speaker for the occasion will be state Senator Richard Cohen (DFL, District 64), who will talk about the recent legislative session, especially those bills of concern to business people. (Registration details have been sent out to all HBA members in the monthly HBA newsletter.)

Last month, over 30 members benefited from the information shared by guest speaker Mart Grossfield, a partner with the promotional consulting firm of Johnson & Grossfield. Grossfield clarified the distinction between advertising and sales promotion and identified some key factors in effective sales promotion.

Other upcoming dates to note on the HBA calendar are:

• Monday, June 6, 8:00 a.m.—Breakfast with City Council man Bob Long. These quarterly informal get-togethers over breakfast at Lee's Kitchen have proven a worthwhile forum for questioning, listening and sharing viewpoints between Highland area business people and the local City Council member. For more information, call HBA Executive Director Connie Wittek at 699-9042.

• Friday, June 3—HBA gold tourney. HBA members will tee it up beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the 9-hole course at Highland Park. Refreshments will be served at a social get-together immediately following.

• Thursdays, June 2 and 16—Highland Fest meetings. Both meetings will begin at 7:30 a.m. in the Highland Bank Board Room.

• Thursday, June 9—The next HBA board meeting. The board of directors will convene at 8:00 a.m., also in the Highland Bank Board Room.

• Thursday, June 23—Next month's general HBA meeting. The entire HBA membership is invited to meet over lunch at the Caravan Serai Restaurant. Complete details will be announced through the HBA newsletter.

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Grand Old Day '88 shaping up as avenue's best bash yet

by T. D. Mischke

For Twin Cities residents, it has become the signal that summer is here—a 2½-mile-long street festival that attracts as many as 300,000 people eager to partake of the music, the fun and the revelry of the one and only Grand Old Day.

In the years since the avenue threw its first festival in 1974, Grand Old Day has ceased to be merely an event and has become a full-fledged phenomenon. As a promotional event for the avenue, it has been enormously successful, growing far beyond the wildest dreams of the business people who cooked up the first festival 14 years ago.

Now, as the 15th annual Grand Old Day approaches, the committee that has spent hundreds of hours planning and preparing for the festival over the past 12 months is confidently predicting the most successful Grand Old Day to date.

It all takes place on Sunday, June 5. By 9:00 a.m. that day, the avenue will be cleared of traffic as the GBS Sports' annual Grand Old Day 3K walk and 8K run kick off the festivities.

Things will really start jumping at noon, when one of the biggest parades ever to hit Grand begins rolling down the avenue from Grotto Street (two blocks west of Dale) to Fairview Avenue. Members of the Grand Avenue Business Association's Grand Old Day planning committee promise that more than 80 entries—including 20 floats and seven full-size marching bands—will help this year's parade rival that of the St. Paul Winter Carnival.

At the conclusion of the parade, the booths will open up, the bands will tune up, and the avenue will fill with thousands of strollers ripe for an afternoon of entertainment.

Planning committee members are making a special effort this year to emphasize family entertainment. More space—and promotional funds—than ever before has been devoted exclusively to parents and children with the opening of the first-ever "Grand Old Family Festival," stretching down Grand from Saratoga to Fairview avenues.

According to Mimi Doran, Grand Avenue Business Association executive director and a member of the Grand Old Day planning committee, those five blocks will be reserved for "families who want to stay away from the louder music and beer booths and find entertainment for their children."

"This year, people can make a decision on where they want to go," she said. "The family area will offer children's music, ethnic dancing and children's plays." There will also be a children's parade led by grand marshal Ronald McDonald.

Meanwhile, Doran said, those who prefer to sip a little (3.2) beer and dance to their favorite music can drift to the eastern end of Grand to sample a musical menu that will include everything from country, pop, blues and jazz to rock 'n' roll and classical music.

Another big attraction this year, back after a three-year hiatus, will be the bed races sponsored by MLT Vacations and WLOL Radio. Five-person teams (four push while one reclines on the mattress) using modified beds will dash one block between Pascal and Albert streets in a race that will benefit the Children's Heart Fund. (The race will be preceded by a Saturday night pajama party at Grand Central bar and restaurant.) The winning bed race team will receive a seven-day trip to Orlando, Florida, compliments of MLT Vacations. Bed race entries will be accepted through May 31 (call 863-5460).

Also returning this year will be such Grand Old Day favorites as the Rockin' Hollywoods, who will be bringing back the '50s in the parking lot of Kowalski's Grand Market; the Immaculate Heart of Mary children's fair at Grand and Saratoga, including a $1,000 parish raffle; and the *Grand Gazette*'s free speech booth, which will be set up in front of 1017 Grand Ave.

Planning committee members said one of the biggest changes this year has been in the way the various events are being sponsored. Many businesses on the avenue still make contributions to a Grand Old Day fund, but this year about 25 individual firms have also chosen to sponsor specific events.

If preparations for Grand Old Day '88 seem to be rolling right along, it is no doubt due to an early start on the part of the planning committee.

"We had our wrap-up meeting a week after last year's Grand Old Day," Doran said. "One week later, we were already planning for this year's event."

Doran said committee members have already logged more than 1,000 hours in planning for Grand Old Day '88. Full committee meetings have been running every week since early April and every other week before that. On top of that, Doran said, "there are tons of meetings going on all the time

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Nicholas Fox negotiated his vehicle through a sea of strollers at Grand Old Day '87.

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Top brass sound

Sax Appeal brings its 10-piece ensemble to play funky jazz at Grand Old Day

PHOTO BY MIKE LONG

Sax Appeal, a 10-piece big band ensemble, will be performing for Grand Old Day crowds at Milton Mall, located at the corner of Grand Avenue and Milton Street.

by Janet Lunder Hanafin

A very saxy group got together last November to play some funky jazz, and the response of the audience was so wildly enthusiastic that bassist Gary Raynor, the founder of the group, decided to reassemble the ensemble for several more performances. Raynor is now hoping to make Sax Appeal a permanent feature of the Twin Cities jazz scene.

Sax Appeal, which features five saxophones, bass, keyboard, trumpet and percussion, fronted by a vocalist, will take its brassy big band sound to the streets for a performance at Grand Old Day on Sunday, June 5.

Based on the SuperSax sound popularized in Los Angeles more than a decade ago, Sax Appeal was originally formed for a pre-Thanksgiving Day concert at the Dakota Bar and Grill in Bandana Square as part of the Minnesota Music Academy's Showcase Series. The overwhelming response of a packed house earned the group a booking for the Dakota's Sunday Series for January and April. "It worked so well, I wanted to try it again," Raynor said.

"I love the sound of soaring, screaming saxophones. Maybe that's because it's pretty hard to soar and scream on a bass."
—Sax Appeal Founder Gary Raynor

Composed of 10 of the finest musicians in the Twin Cities, Sax Appeal produces a sound unlike anything in this area. "Nobody around here has ever heard this kind of stuff live," Raynor said. "Nobody ever put such a group together here. None of us, including the reed players, have ever played in such a band, and Dave Karr and Ray Komischke, who have been around the Twin Cities a long time, say this is the first band of its type ever to play here."

While it may seem unusual that a bass player is responsible for forming a saxophone band, Raynor pointed out bassist Buddy Clark was as instrumental to the success of SuperSax as alto saxophonist Med Flory. "I love the sound of soaring, screaming saxophones," Raynor said. "Maybe that's because it's pretty hard to soar and scream on a bass."

The group is made up of alto saxophonists Brian Grivna and Denny Scholtes, Ken Holmen and Dave Karr on tenors, and Ray Komischke, baritone. Raynor, pianist Jimmy Hamilton and drummer Gary Gauger are the rhythm section, and Steve Wright plays trumpet.

The unique instrumentation of Sax Appeal is "a very rational kind of thing, based on the sax section from the big band era," Raynor said. The group has worked with several vocalists, including Debbie Duncan, who will perform with them at Grand Old Day and for most of their summer schedule.

The ensemble of Sax Appeal is unlike that of a string quartet, where the melody line may be taken by any instrument with the others providing harmony, Raynor said. In his band, he said, the melody "forms a chord around each note," and the band may have several individual solos going at once.

Arrangements for such a group are not easy to come by. Originally the band intended to use material developed by SuperSax. Much of its repertoire springs from classic bebop and includes arrangements written by Med Flory based on famous sax solos. The group performs several Charlie Parker pieces with the five saxophones doing Parker's part.

"The music is so fast and so exciting, and hard," Raynor said. There are also full-band arrangements of tunes by Michel Legrand, Gershwin, Ellington, Thelonius Monk and Cole Porter. Raynor has located some arrangements from Twin Cities musicians, and the group also intends to do some of its own writing.

"Karr and Komischke plan to add some charts, and I'm hoping other musicians in the Twin Cities will contribute as well," he said.

Most of the band members make their living as jobbing musicians, so it is difficult to stay together as a band, Raynor said. Rehearsal time, which must be coordinated with 10 busy performance and teaching schedules, is at a premium, so Raynor chose musicians who are all superb readers. "They have to be able to pick up the music and go with it," he said. "The sax members of the ensemble are probably the best all-around sax players in town."

Raynor said the group gives its members "a chance to get together with their contemporaries and really play. The band is getting better and better. The most interesting thing is, the longer we play, the more different combinations we come up with. It's really musically rewarding. Some of these guys know each other but don't always have a chance to work together." To form a good jazz ensemble, he explained, musicians need to work together enough to "trust one another, be comfortable with each other. This is developing."

One of the group's highlights has been appearing at the Emporium of Jazz in Mendota. "They have wonderful audiences there," Raynor said, adding that they would like to see similar crowds turn out at other jazz clubs. Attracting an audience is not always easy. Like the chamber musicians of a couple of centuries ago, Raynor said his group has had the experience of having more people on stage than in the audience.

Individually, the group members, who range in age from 30 to the mid-50s, have enjoyed long and productive musical careers. Raynor, who was named best Latin jazz bassist at the 1987 Minnesota Jazz Awards, began taking bass lessons in the 4th grade. Lead alto Brian Grivna performed as a 12-year-old clarinet soloist in the Young Artist series with the Minnesota Orchestra. Members of the band have performed throughout the world with noted orchestras, accompanied some of the country's top performers and recording artists, played with jazz orchestras at Rupert's Nightclub, the Carlton Celebrity Theater, the Guthrie, the Ordway and Orchestra Hall, and have been members of such groups as Rio Nido, the Count Basie Band, Airmen of Note, the Woody Herman and Ray Charles bands and the "Tonight Show" orchestra.

Their collective biographies include performances with the likes of Sammy Davis Jr., Tony Bennet, Ben Vereen, Mel Torme, Lena Horne, Jack Benny, Lola Falana, Bob Hope,

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Grand Old Day gives big boost to a variety of charitable causes

by Terry Andrews

Since the very first Grand Old Day 14 years ago, the annual event has raised money for a variety of charitable causes. This year will be no exception. When the festivities conclude at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 5, over half of the food vendors and all of the beer stands set up along the avenue will be turning over all or a portion of their proceeds to charitable or non-profit organizations.

According to Mimi Doran, executive director of the Grand Avenue Business Association, last year, when an estimated 300,000 people attended Grand Old Day, the dozen or so beer stands alone raised $5,000 to $6,000 each. GABA itself does not generally profit monetarily from the event, Doran said. "It's usually a break-even proposition for GABA," she said. "If there is a profit, it goes into further promotion of Grand Avenue."

The food stands this year will be offering everything from ice cream cones and root beer floats to roast-beef sandwiches, french fries, gyros and baklava. Charitable organizations that will profit from the sale of refreshments this year include the Muscular Dystrophy Association, the Working Boys Center, Nativity School, the Noon Optimists Club, the Midway Lions Club and Immaculate Heart of Mary School. Nonprofit organizations selling food will include the District 14 Community Council, St. George Greek Orthodox Church, St. Luke's School, Little Freedom, Children's Hospital, Bethel Temple and Mount Zion Temple.

GABA will also be selling Grand Old Day T-shirts and hats. A percentage of the profits from those sales will also go to charity.

Finally, the Grand Old Day Bed Race, scheduled from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. between Pascal and Albert streets, will raise money for the Children's Heart Fund. Co-sponsors of the race are MLT Vacations and WLOL Radio.

In connection with the bed race, a pajama party will be held from 7:00 p.m. to midnight on Saturday night, June 4, at Grand Central Restaurant. The admission price that evening will also be donated to the Children's Heart Fund.

PHOTO BY MIKE LONG

Things were really rolling for the Grand Old Day planning committee as G-Day approached once again. More than 1,000 volunteer hours have been logged by this group in preparing for the avenue's 15th annual extravaganza on June 5. Looking none the worse for the wear are, left to right: (front row) Mike Liedl, Tony Gagliardi, committee chair Scott LaValle, (second row) Bob McCrum, Bob McClay, Jim Solin, (third row) Jerry Payne, Nancy Fish, Michael Mischke and Grand Avenue Business Association executive director Mimi Doran. Not pictured is committee member Leslie Carney.

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between various committee members and organizers."

Organizational assistance is also being rendered by the St. Paul Police Department, which will be assigning 25 officers to the festival, in addition to 50 or more reserves and Neighborhood Assistance Officers. Though the police will be vastly outnumbered by the throngs of Grand Old Day-goers, police officials say the annual event has never produced any problems that a group of that size couldn't handle.

About the only factor committee members have been consistently unable to control over the years is the weather. Fortunately, Mother Nature has done her part nicely over the past 14 years, sending rain on just two occasions, and even then just morning drizzles followed by clear skies.

Though you may want to knock on wood, a local meteorologist sees no reason why that tendency for clement weather on Grand Old Day shouldn't continue this year.

Bruce Watson, a meteorological reporter for some 20 publications in Minnesota and elsewhere, and a former columnist for the *Highland Villager*, said that Grand Old Day, by dint of its scheduling on the first Sunday in June, falls at the tail end of the normal spring dry spell. It is only after the first week in June that the normal rainy period commences, Watson said.

"The forecast for the next two or three weeks seems to be on that same schedule," he said. "We should see below-normal precipitation and above-normal temperatures."

Such a prognosis is music to the ears of those gearing up for Grand Old Day '88. A beautiful day, combined with a year's worth of hard work, should guarantee that the largest street festival in Minnesota is an entertaining day for all.

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Special events will cater to kids, parents

Children's parade, music, drama, clowns and more on tap in new family area

The Teddy Bear Band, and a full line-up of other bands, dancers, clowns and theater troupes, will be performing at the First Bank Children's Stage at Ramsey Junior High School, all part of the first "Grand Old Family Festival."

by Ed Kemmick

Grand Old Day has always featured enough entertainment to suit just about anybody's tastes, but special efforts have been made this year to appeal specifically to parents and children.

In the past, young children were more or less lost in a forest of legs on Grand Old Day, and their only refuge was the children's carnival in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church parking lot.

This year, in addition to the traditional attractions at IHM, members of the Grand Avenue Business Association will be sponsoring a "Grand Old Family Festival" between Saratoga and Fairview avenues on Sunday, June 5. Most of the new events will take place in the parking lot of Ramsey Junior High School, located two blocks west of Snelling Avenue between Wheeler Street and Cambridge Avenue.

Bob McClay, a lawyer with the Grand Avenue firm of Johnson, McClay & Nelson, was in charge of putting together the family fest for the Grand Avenue Business Association this year.

"This is really a brand-new effort," McClay said. "We really hope we can get families down to that area. We are committed to making this a big part of Grand Old Day so that families can come and enjoy themselves."

In addition to a string of concessions selling all kinds of food and drink between Saratoga and Fairview, the family fest will feature a children's parade, live music, theater presentations, dancing, rides in an almost-real rocket ship and a chance to meet Ronald McDonald. The children's parade will take to the streets at 11:30 a.m., running from Cambridge Avenue to Macalester Street and then back to Cambridge.

Children are encouraged to decorate their bicycles, tricycles, Big Wheels and wagons for the parade. Prizes donated by area merchants will be awarded to the first-, second- and third-place winners for the best-decorated entries in each of three categories: ages 3-5, 6-8 and 9-0. Every child who enters the parade will be given a "Grand Avenue grab bag" full of gifts. Children may pre-register at Subway Sandwiches, 1820 Grand Ave., or register at 11:00 on June 5 at Ramsey Junior High. There is no entry fee.

The grand marshal of the children's parade will be Ronald McDonald, and music will be provided by the Ramsey Junior High Band. After the children's parade, Ronald McDonald will take to the First Bank Children's Stage in the Ramsey parking lot, kicking off an afternoon of free entertainment. Ronald McDonald will entertain the kids from noon to 12:30, followed by the Ramsey Junior High Band, which will perform from 12:30 to 1:00.

After a break that will allow everyone to watch the main Grand Old Day Parade, the Teddy Bear Band will provide 1½ hours of family entertainment from 2:00 to 3:30. The Teddy Bear Band plays traditional children's songs that parents can enjoy as well, and the band encourages plenty of audience participation.

From 3:30 to 4:00 p.m., the Storytalers theater company will present *Baboushka*, a one-person play about a little old woman who dreams that stars are diamonds and sets off to find them in hopes of becoming rich and famous. Along the way she discovers three friends (children invited up from the audience) and in the end discovers that her friends are more important than diamonds.

The Storytalers will be followed to the stage by the Briar Patch Cloggers, who will perform traditional and contemporary clog dances from 4:00 to 4:30. "Clog" is a Gaelic term for time, and "time dancing" was originally performed to bluegrass and mountain music in Appalachia. The Briar Patch Cloggers are dedicated to sharing the gaiety and excitement of clog dancing as a truly American tradition.

The final event on the children's stage will be a presentation of *Rhymon Simon* by Climb Theatre. In this fast-moving play, young members of the audience will be invited to join in the fun of rhyming, and in the process will attempt to help Kate save her brother Nate. *Rhymon Simon* will run from 4:30 to 5:00.

Also on the schedule of events for the family fest will be performances by the Midway Wheelers square dancers, who will be at the corner of Wheeler and Grand. The Pig's Eye Jass Band, sponsored by Liberty State Bank, will perform its exuberant Dixieland jazz in front of Abbott Paint & Carpet at 1808 Grand. Both performances will run from 2:00 p.m. on.

Children are also invited to investigate an educational exhibit sponsored by the St. Paul police and fire departments. They will have a firetruck, a police car and an ambulance parked at Ramsey Junior High throughout the afternoon, and will also display some of the equip-

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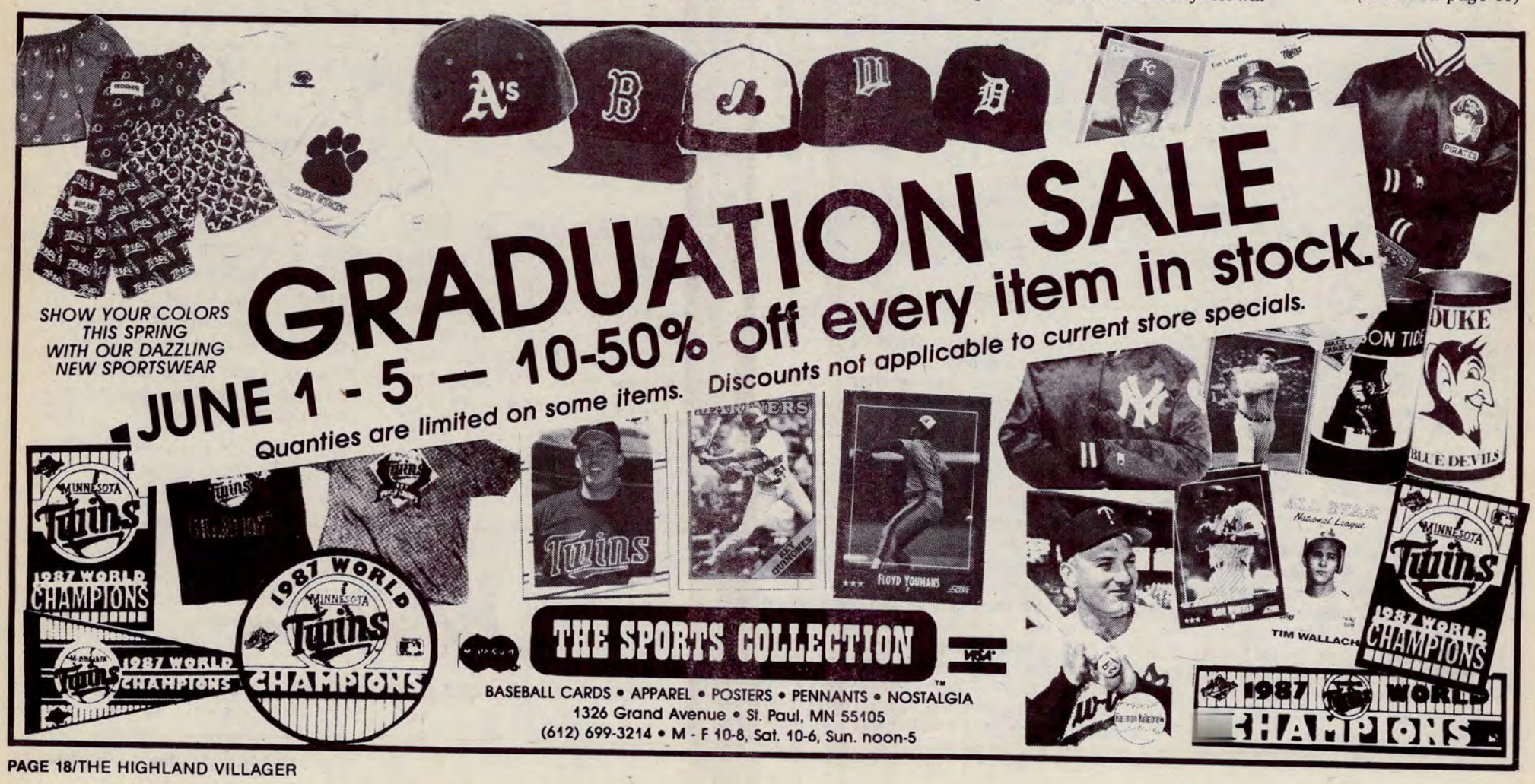

Family fest

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ment they use.

Another all-day attraction will be Highland Park resident Bob Johnson's simulated space rocket, the S.S. America, a realistic creation that he spent 2½ years building in his garage. For $2.00 a ride, children and adults will be able to climb aboard the 18-foot-long ship and take a simulated jaunt through outer space. The ride features eerie sound effects, a realistic control panel replete with flashing lights, and an electronic screen that shows whirling spheres and various chunks of space debris.

Wet Paint Artists Supplies will be sponsoring a children's mural—a 50-foot-long piece of paper mounted on the fence at Ramsey Junior High. Children will be given color markers to embellish the banner with any artwork that catches their fancy.

Meanwhile, Immaculate Heart of Mary, located a block east of Snelling on the north side of the street, will be offering its traditional attractions for children and parents.

The carnival has been expanded this year to include a children's merry-go-round, a ferris wheel, a moon walk, pony rides and 10 carnival games featuring face-painting, balloons, prizes and computerized pictures. There will also be a dunk tank this year. Ward 3 City Council member Bob Long has already volunteered to take the hot seat above the tank, and other city politicians and celebrities may show up on Grand Old Day.

The American Legion's 40-by-8 train will take part in the Grand Old Day Parade and will then be giving rides on the Summit Avenue side of IHM. (Legend has it the train was named for the World War I troop-transport trains that carried 40 soldiers and eight horses.)

The IHM food booth will be serving hot roast-beef sandwiches, hot dogs, pop, sno-cones and the famous "elephant ears." There will also be beer and popcorn.

The Overland Express band will be belting out country-western hits all day in the IHM parking lot, and listeners will be able to get in out of the sun (cross your fingers) under a large tent set up in the lot.

IHM is also sponsoring a Grand Old Day raffle with a grand prize of $1,000. Drawings for three $100 prizes will be held at 1:00, 2:00 and 3:00 in the parking lot, with the grand-prize drawing at 4:00. Tickets are on sale at the following Grand Avenue stores: Abbott Paint & Carpet, Grand Reflections Salon, Thomas Liquor, Grand Avenue Ace Hardware, Star Video, the Green Mill, A. Johnson & Sons Florists, the Tole House, Grand Photo and Bober Drug.

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This diminutive Grand Old Day-goer had it made in the shade last year, compliments of her parent-powered wagon.

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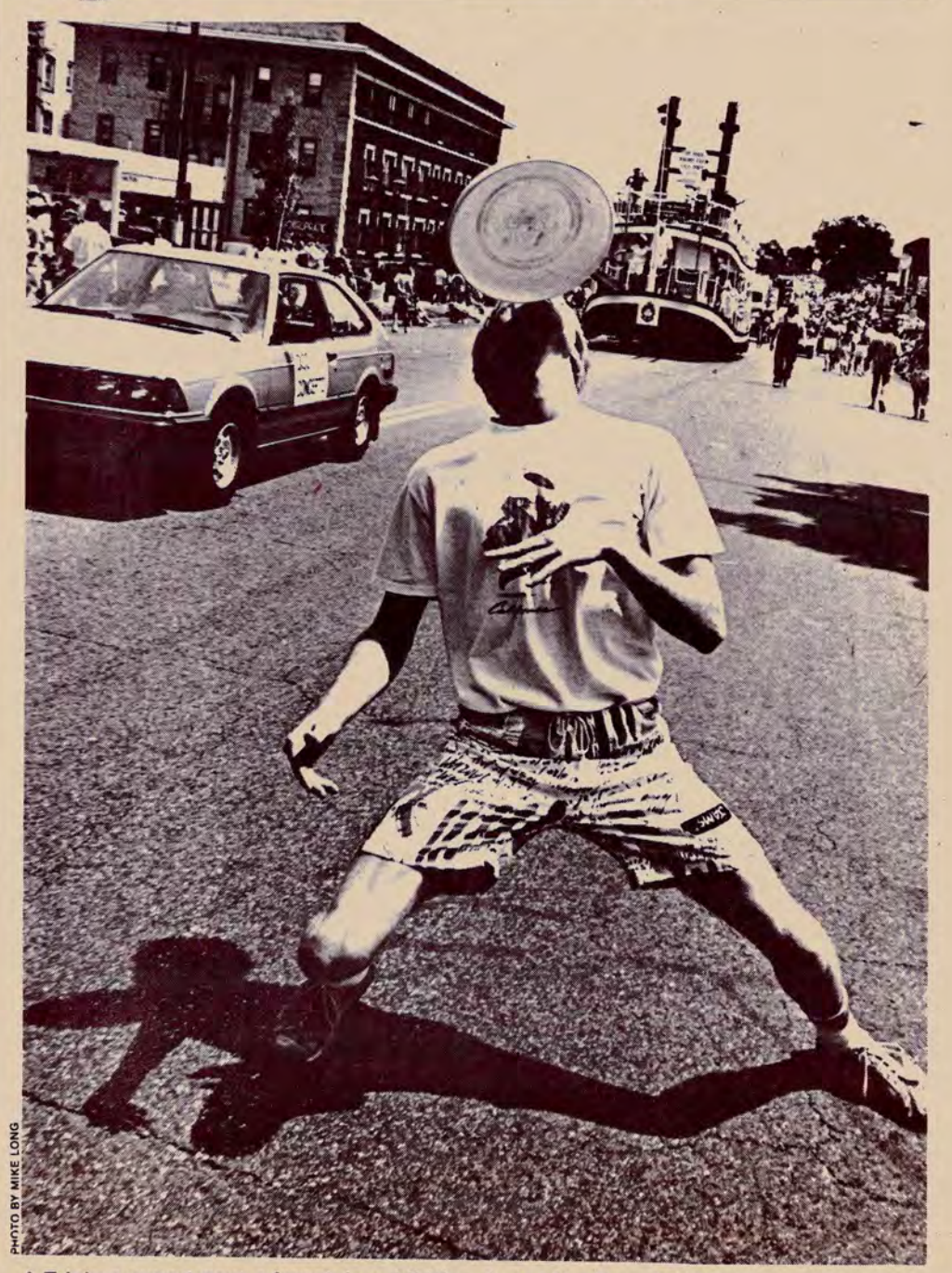

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A Frisbee expert gave a freestyle exhibition during the Grand Old Day Parade last year.

Sax Appeal *(cont'd from page 16)*

Red Skelton, George Shearing, Robert Goulet, Joan Rivers, Johnny Mathis and Michael Johnson. Tenor sax Ken Holman was a frequent performer on Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion" and is a member of Minnesota Public Radio's "Good Evening" house band.

Tenor sax Dave Karr has served as musician and composer for the Guthrie Theater and writes and produces award-winning radio and television jingles. Baritone sax Ray Komischke is the major musical contractor for touring Broadway and variety shows in this area. Jimmy Hamilton, pianist, spent 10 years as band director at Minneapolis Central High School and counts Prince and the original members of The Revolution among his students. Trumpeter Steve Wright is a composer and publisher of music for high school, college and professional jazz ensembles and plays and records with his own big band. And percussionist Gary Gauger invented and patented a compact, folding lightweight drum set.

Vocalist Debbie Duncan came to Minneapolis after singing for several years in Los Angeles. Her voice can be heard on many commercial jingles locally, and she is also a singer with Rupert's Orchestra.

Members of the band have been around long enough that "they bring a lot of experience and taste to whatever group they are in," Raynor said. "Together they have maybe 200 to 300 years of jazz experience."

Throughout the summer, Sax Appeal has concerts scheduled at Hyland Park Reserve and Bandana Square. On Grand Old Day the group will play from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the parking lot of Milton Mall at Grand and Milton Street. Milton Mall is sponsoring the band's appearance.

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The Teddy Bear Band 2:00-3:30
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"Baboushka," a children's play 3:30-4:00
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The Briar Patch Cloggers 4:00-4:30
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"Rhymon Simon," a children's play . . 4:30-5:00
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Grand Old Day Children's Parade
(See the box at the right for details and registration form)
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Grand Old Day Children's Mural
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IHM Church and School Festival
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Join the Grand Old Day Children's Parade!

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Registration is at 11:00 a.m. and the parade begins at 11:30 on Grand Avenue between Cambridge and Macalester Streets. You can also register before June 5 by filling out the registration form below and bringing it to Subway Sandwiches and Salads, 1820 Grand Ave. See you on Grand Old Day!

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Ramsey Junior High School. A children's parade beginning at 11:30 a.m.; performances by the Teddy Bear Band, Ronald McDonald, the Briar Patch Cloggers, Climb Theatre Company, the StoryTalers and the Ramsey Junior High School Band, all day on the First Bank Children's Stage; fire engines to explore, a visit by Officer Friendly, and a variety of food and refreshments.
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Higher Ground, a jazz fusion band, entertained passersby near Grand and Dale at last year's Grand Old Day.

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The Rockin' Hollywoods, perennial Grand Old Day favorites, will be blasting out '50s tunes again this year in the parking lot of Kowalski's Grand Market.

Walk or run on Grand Old Day

Two of the more energetic Grand Old Day events this year will be the 3K walk and 8K run to be held on Sunday, June 5. The walk will begin at 9:00 a.m. at the GBS Sports store, 1668½ Grand Ave., which is sponsoring the event. The run will also begin in front of the store at 10:00 a.m.

The walking course will follow Grand east to Ayd Mill Road and then return. The run will follow Grand Avenue east to Grand Hill for a short uphill jaunt, turn around and return west to the finish line.

The run is limited to the first 1,800 registrants. The entrance fee is $8.00 through May 28 and $10 after that until June 4. There will be no registration on the day of the race.

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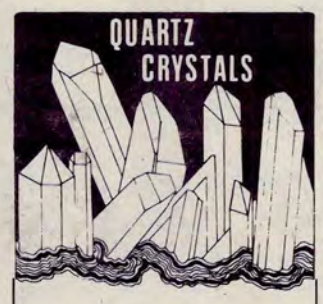
T-shirts will be given to all walk and run registrants. Computerized results of the run will be mailed to each finisher within two weeks after the race. Awards, donated by Grand Avenue restaurants, will be given to men and women in six different categories. For more information, or to register, stop by the GBS store or call 690-5488.



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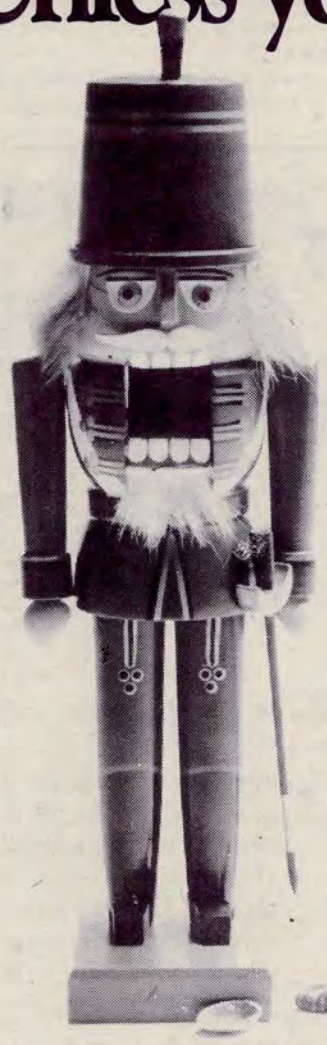

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Everyone loves a parade

More floats, marching band contest promise to make this year's Grand Old Day Parade bigger and better than ever

by Steve Fletty

PHOTOS BY MIKE LONG

Spectators will want to grab good curbside seats early for this year's Grand Old Day Parade, which promises to be the biggest one ever.

Echoing the sentiments of thousands with their banner, residents of 951 Grand Ave. lined up on their porch for a good view of last year's Grand Old Day Parade.

Just imagine: a duo of 2½-ton oxen strutting their stuff, a phalanx of businessmen in suits carrying briefcases and executing precise drill-team maneuvers, cavorting clowns, fantastic floats and marvelous marching bands bristling with brass and percolating with percussion.

But all that doesn't even begin to describe a tenth of this year's entries in the Grand Old Day Parade.

"It's going to be incredible," promised Nancy Fish. It should be. She and Bill McCrum, co-coordinators of the parade for the Grand Old Day planning committee, began assembling the ingredients for the annual extravaganza back in February.

The parade will begin at noon on Sunday, June 5, at the corner of Grand Avenue and Grotto Street and proceed 2½ miles west on Grand to Fairview Avenue. All in all, the parade will feature more than 80 entries, including a record 20 floats, seven marching bands, four batches of clowns and a host of royalty and assorted celebrities.

The return of the marching bands should be a particularly welcome development. Fish said the Grand Old Day Parade has had trouble attracting bands in the past because school has generally adjourned for the summer and band directors are reluctant to gather up the troops.

To attract bands this year, Fish and McCrum have revived the marching band competition, which was last seen on Grand Old Day more than five years ago. The lure of competing for a total of $1,900 in cash prizes has drawn a number of award-winning bands to the parade.

Cretin-Derham Hall, South St. Paul and Osseo high schools are all sending units, as is Brady High School, whose band was a finalist in the St. Paul Winter Carnival's marching band competition this year. Also appearing will be bands from Concordia Academy and Richfield High School, both of which have performed at Disneyland. Rounding out the musical line-up will be the Baldwin-Woodville (Wisconsin) High School Marching Band.

The seven bands will be competing for a top prize of $850, with second- and third-place prizes of $600 and $450. The judging will be administered by the Wetherby Judging Association, three members of which will rate the bands from their reviewing stand at Grand and Pascal Street. "We've set up a fairly heavy-duty band competition," Fish said.

According to McCrum and Fish, their main goal in planning for this year's parade has been to make the event more appealing to all ages, and to create a spectacle people will look forward to year after year.

"We take it seriously because we want it to be something that people will want to sit and watch," McCrum said. "If you take care of the units, and if you take care of the bands, you'll make them want to come back."

Fish said planning for the parade became an "incredibly complex job." Countless hours were spent calling and coordinating, scripting and scheduling, positioning and planning. Fortunately, she said, all that work should result in a top-notch, family-oriented parade.

Spectators will be able to judge for themselves whether they're curbside or sitting in their living rooms. The parade will be shown live this year via Continental Cablevision's Citivision.

Featured attractions this year include animated floats from the Winter Carnival and State Fair, University of Miami quarterback Steve Walsh of St. Paul, the Ordway Ushers Kazoo Orchestra, Miss Minnesota, the Aquatennial Queen of the Lakes, St. Paul Mayor George Latimer, the Winter Carnival's King Boreas and Klondike Kate, the Vulcan Fire Krewe, the Coldwell Banker Precision Briefcase Drill Team, the oxen team of Barney and Brutus, the perennially popular Grand Avenue Bachelors Club sporting a new "wine and roses" theme, and much, much more.

Family activities will not end with the parade. Clowns and floats will gather at the "Grand Old Family Festival" along Grand between Saratoga Avenue and Wheeler Street immediately after the event, and at least one of the floats—a simulated rocket ship—will convert into a ride for kids. The family area will also feature food, games, plays, a children's mural, carnival rides and music.

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Summer Is Here!

Last year's snafu prompts careful planning for postfestival cleanup

by T. D. Mischke

It was the day after Grand Old Day 1987 and Grand Avenue was a mess. Beer cans littered the boulevards and gutters. A brisk wind was sending paper cups and wrappers tumbling over the curbs and sidewalks into the street and adjacent yards. And there wasn't a cleanup crew in sight.

It was a day the Grand Old Day planning committee is determined never again to see.

On that day last June, "The street cleaners had come through and the dumpsters had been emptied, but there was a communication problem with the city concerning who was going to pick up all the cardboard boxes that were lining the streets filled with trash," said Mimi Doran, executive director of the Grand Avenue Business Association and a member of the Grand Old Day planning committee. "We thought the city was going to take care of it, but when they didn't and the winds picked up, we had boxes tipping over and garbage all over the place."

Needless to say, the residents and business persons along Grand weren't pleased, and members of the planning committee learned a tough lesson, one that should serve them well on Sunday, June 5, the date for Grand Old Day 1988.

"This year we decided to assign a specific committee member to sanitation," Doran said. The idea this time around is to make the streets look better on the day after Grand Old Day than they did the day before.

In order to accomplish this, the planning committee has enlisted the help of the Camp Fire Girls, the Boy Scouts, and a third group that is well-schooled in the art of bringing order to chaos—the operators of Grand Avenue's hair and beauty salons.

"We're still going to have the help of city crews as well as a trash-hauling company," Doran said. "But the extra help (of the volunteers) will ensure that a good job is done."

Doran said the cleanup crews won't limit their efforts to Grand Avenue, but will track down any trash that has blown into the surrounding neighborhoods. The planning committee has even devised a contest to encourage an especially thorough cleanup. The Camp Fire Girls and the Boy Scouts will each be assigned a side of Grand, with a prize going to the team that does the best job.

The key to avoiding a repeat of last year's messy morning after, however, is an agreement made between GABA and the city's Department of Public Works. This year, the 250 cardboard boxes that will line the avenue at the close of the day will indeed be the responsibility of Public Works, said its director, Don Nygaard.

"That was the loose end last year that caused the

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Cleanup efforts got off to a good start last year but quickly turned chaotic, thanks to a breakdown in communication. Organizers promise that Grand Avenue will be clean as a whistle the day after Grand Old Day '88.

Cleanup

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problem," Nygaard said. "This year, we're making a point to work closely with GABA and avoid any problems."

There will be a parking ban on Grand from the start of Grand Old Day until 2:00 the following morning, Nygaard said, so that the city's street cleaners can wash the avenue from curb to curb late that evening. While that work is under way, sanitation crews will remove the 36 dumpsters and the 108 satellite toilets set up along the 2½ miles of Grand from Fairview Avenue to Dale Street.

The total cost for cleaning up after Grand Old Day is expected to run more than $3,500, Doran said, and that doesn't include the $3,000 for the satellites.

The expense, however, is well worth it, she added. At least the members of the Grand Old Day planning committee will be able to go to sleep Sunday night, assured that come morning the avenue will be back to normal.

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On the Towns

The many faces of Susan Fuller

'Cousin Doris' creator ventures out to the edge, and what's funny is it's not too far from home

by Steve Fletty

Mysteriously, Cousin Doris has died. So Becky, her precocious, smart-aleky 9-year-old cousin, puts together a slide show of Doris' relatives. As Becky narrates, the relatives show up to talk about this, that and of course Doris, about her somewhat odd life, death and times.

The relatives include Princess Sheryll, who enters beauty pageants for a living. Perhaps you've heard of her. She was named Miss Midwest Farm Dealers Association Princess, Mortuary Directors of the Greater Northwest Princess and The National Association of Podiatrists' Miss Pedicure.

You may think beauty queens like Sheryll aren't too swift. Far from it, explains Sheryll: "A lot of the girls are smart. Some of them even wear glasses."

Actually, Highland area resident Susan Fuller is both Becky and Sheryll—and an array of other kooky characters to boot. Her one-woman comedy show, "Cousin Doris Was From Pluto," with incidental music by Sally Reynolds, opened last weekend for a second run at the Ha Ha Club in Minneapolis.

Maybe you haven't heard of Fuller, but you probably have heard her. She mimicked sex therapist Dr. Ruth and sex symbol Brooke Shields in the Schmidt Bit Players' beer commercials. Fuller also put in a four-year stint with Dudley Riggs' Brave New Workshop in shows like "Nitwork" and "I Can Hear What You're Saying, But I Don't Care."

From there she went on to form and tour with the Last Laugh Theater, but gave up comedy about three years ago to do radio and TV commercials. You won't see her TV commercials in Minnesota, though.

"I don't look like the kind of person who would sell soap. . . a mom," she says. She's usually cast as someone rather strange, which may explain why the commercials air on the East and West coasts. "I keep getting checks in the mail, so I know they're running," she says.

During those years, her real goal was still comedy, especially her own show.

"I had been threatening to do that for a long time," she says. "I always wanted to try something like that. It petrified me. To maintain for an hour and a half on stage is a pretty frightening thought."

Fuller got down to the business of writing "Cousin Doris" last year after "a certain birthday" loomed large before her. After three months of writing and another three of revision, "Cousin Doris" debuted at the Ha Ha Club in February to sold out crowds.

In an hour and a half, Fuller changes wigs, voices and clothes, transforming herself from a 9-year-old to Mona, a torch singer who performs at civic centers before truck and tractor pulls, to LeAnn, a South Dakota native who now lives in California selling seashell-covered lingerie, toothbrushes and appliances, to eight other equally offbeat characters.

Fuller herself grew up in Rapid City, South Dakota, listening to Bob Newhart and Mort Sahl records. She says she has always known that she's funny, but her parents are even funnier, "a little off the edge."

"They claim not to have influenced me," she says. "It ain't true."

Inevitably, every comedian gets the question: Were you the class clown? No, Fuller says, more of a prankster. Once, in junior high, she removed all the screws from a library table. The next student to come along set his books on the table and sent it tumbling. It wasn't hard to find the culprit. Fuller was the only one sitting at the table before the crash.

"I was in trouble all the time," she says.

One of Fuller's more eccentric creations is Grandma Boomboom, a chain-smoking ex-stripper who reads wierd tales to children at a public library.

Comedian Susan Fuller strikes a pose as "Lavonne the Mystic," one of the characters she plays in her show at the Ha Ha Club in Minneapolis.

"Not because I was clever. I was stupid enough to get caught."

Today her humor aims to get people to share their laughter. Fuller can't stand mean, sexist, racist, homophobic or gross humor.

That's "the easiest laugh in the world," she says with a frown. "The best kind of comedy is something everyone can share. Essentially you're saying, 'Has this happened to you?' If you can get them to nod, you're halfway home."

Her show elicits some of that shared laughter and familiarity in the character of Grandma Boomboom, a former stripper turned librarian. Grandma Boomboom reads skewed cautionary tales once a week in the children's room while chain smoking rapidly, her beehive hairdo wrapped in a tacky floral scarf. She reads the story of Icky Vicki, a little girl who never listened.

Vicki, so the story runs, had thousands of mosquito bites, between her toes even, and on her eyelids. Her mother told Vicki not to scratch them, but she did. They bled all over her dress, resulting in a huge dry-cleaning bill. Mother told her not to pick the scabs, but she did and Vicki ended up with horrible disfiguring pock marks. Vicki started making ugly faces with her newly scarred mug. Again, her mother warned her to stop or her face would stay that way. It did, freezing in a hideous scrunched-up expression.

Another day Vicki was playing with a tennis ball. Her mother told her to be careful or she'd put an eye out. Vicki paid no attention and on a tremendous rebound the ball smashed into her face and destroyed her right eye.

They rushed her to the hospital to see what could be done. On the way, Vicki hung her arm out the car window, waving it in the rush of wind. Her mother told her to pull her arm in or a car would yank it right off. Vicki ignored her. Just then a passing truck whooshed by, severing Vicki's arm at the shoulder.

All these experiences warped Icky Vicki for life. She grew up to be a hardened criminal.

Not exactly your typical children's tale, but then, "Cousin Doris" is not your typical comedy show.

Fuller gets characters like Grandma Boomboom from watching people. She'll see someone or hear a line and say, that looks like a good character.

Her goal now is to take "Cousin Doris" on the road, and she's working on getting wider exposure. That's tough. There are fewer outlets for her character-based comedy than routine stand-up comedians. What she really wants to do is Lilly Tomlin-style shows.

"She's a genius," Fuller says. "Being famous is a good goal. I never used to admit it. I'd be a liar if I said anything else."

PHOTOS BY MIKE LONG

Susan Fuller as Susan Fuller.

You can see "Cousin Doris Was From Pluto" this Friday and Saturday night at the Ha Ha Club, West 28th Street and Hennepin Avenue in Minneapolis. Shows are at 8:00 and 10:30 p.m. each night. Tickets will cost $8.00. For reservations, call 872-0305.

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Enrique Arturo Diemecke, resident conductor of the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, will conduct a concert performance of Handel's opera *Semele* at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25, at the Ordway Music Theatre and at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 28 at United Church of Christ, 900 Summit Ave. The opera is based upon a classical drama taken from Ovid's *Metamorphoses* and deals with the amorous pursuit of the mortal Semele by the god Jupiter. Tickets are available at the Ordway (224-4222) and at Dayton's.

Janice Hoffmeister, Marlin Rothe and Billian Ellis star in the Park Square Theatre Company production of *No Time for Comedy*, opening June 2 in downtown St. Paul. For details, see listing.

The Christian Brothers of Minnesota will present "Brothers in Concert" at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 29, in O'Shaughnessy Auditorium on the College of St. Thomas campus. Brothers Laurence Walther and Vincent Malham, sometimes called the Ferrante and Teicher of the Christian Brothers, will perform their piano magic, interspersed with vocal solos by Brother Michael Collins, principal of Cretin-Derham Hall. Collins has sung professionally and has recorded in the Twin Cities. For ticket information, call 224-4318 weekdays between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Folk musicians John Van Orman and and Sherry Minnick will sing, sometimes to the accompaniment of guitar, concertina, hurdy-gurdy and fiddle, in a concert presented by the Minnesota S.T.A.R. at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, May 29, at the Half Time Rec, 1013 Front Ave. Their concerts usually include ballads, hymns, tent-revival shouts, some original material, and an occasional reading from the poems of Yeats and Vachel Lindsay. Admission is $4.00; $2.00 for senior citizens and children.

Classic Fiedler-style pops will be played at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, June 1-4, in the opening program of the Minnesota Orchestra's Night at the Pops series at Orchestra Hall. These performances and a coffee concert at 11:00 a.m. Friday, June 3, will feature cabaret-style seating, tableside food and beverage service, and that combination of light classical favorites and American popular music made famous by legendary Boston Pops maestro Arthur Fiedler. The program will include a several-song salute to 100-year-old composer Irving Berlin, a musical recitation of the poem *Casey at the Bat*, the Overture to Mozart's *The Magic Flute*, *Sleeping Beauty* Waltz by Tchaikovsky, Solveig's Song from *Peer Gynt* by Grieg, two dances from Smetana's *The Bartered Bride*, and Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso by Saint-Saens. For ticket information, call 371-5656.

"Chamber Pops: The Gershwin Era," a series of three concerts featuring the music of American composers like Cole Porter, Jerome Kern, Irving Berlin and George Gershwin, will be presented by the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra at 8:00 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, June 2-4, at the Ordway Music Theater. Pianist Peter Nero will join the SPCO for the shows on Thursday and Friday, and singer Maureen McGovern will perform in Saturday's concert. Tickets, priced from $10 to $21.50, are available at Dayton's and the Ordway (224-4222).

Preston Reed, one of the most acclaimed acoustic guitarists of the 1980s, makes his Twin Cities major concert debut at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 4, at the Walker Art Center with his originial compositions for six- and 12-string guitar. Reed performs in the American fingerstyle tradition, a hybrid of blues, folk, country and classical forms popularized by John Fahey and Leo Kottke. Tickets are $7.00. For reservations, call 375-7622.

In celebration of its June concert tour of the Soviet Union, the Symphony of the Greater Twin Cities Youth Symphonies will present a concert tour preview and reception at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, June 6. The symphony will perform at Landmark Center in downtown St. Paul, presenting works it will perform in Moscow, Kiev and Leningrad June 12-25. The 100-piece symphony will be the first full youth orchestra to tour the Soviet Union. The preview concert is free and open to the public.

Theater

The Cricket Theater will open its production of *Lady Day at Emerson's Bar and Grill*, starring Shirley Witherspoon as Billie Holiday, at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 25, at the theater, 1407 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis. The play re-creates one of Billie Holiday's final performances in 1959. Witherspoon's rich jazz singing promises to bring back the spirit and essence of Holiday. The show will run through June 19. For reservations, call 871-2244.

Members of the New Generation Theatre Project, an educational program of the Children's Theatre, will present *The Caucasian Chalk Circle,* a contemporary work by German dramatist Bertolt Brecht, at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, May 27 and 28, and Friday and Saturday, June 3 and 4, in the CTC Studio Theatre, 2400 S. 3rd Ave., Minneapolis. The ensemble takes an improvisational approach to Brecht's work, adding contemporary music and the actors' original writings and songs to the story. Tickets are $3.00. For reservations, call 874-0400.

A. R. Gurney Jr.'s *The Dining Room,* a play that re-creates the history of a dining room of a typical well-to-do family, will open at 8:00 p.m. Friday, May 27, at Theatre in the Round, 245 Cedar Ave., Minneapolis. An ensemble of six actresses and actors will change roles, ages and personalities as the scene shifts from Christmas dinners to teen-agers doing homework, from father-and-son talks to family crises over the years. The mosaic of comic and touching scenes shows how much the dining room—and lifestyles—have changed in the United States since the turn of the century. Performances are at 8:00 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, and at 8:00 p.m. on Sundays, except on June 19, when the play will close with a 2:00 p.m. matinee. Tickets are $8.00, with discounts for students and senior citizens on Fridays and Sundays. For reservations or more information, call 333-3010.

At the Foot of the Mountain will present Caryl Churchill's insightful and spellbinding *Vinegar Tom* at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 2, at the theater, 2000 S. 5th St., Minneapolis. The play uses modern music and settings to tell the story of the witchhunts of 17th-century England. The play will run Thursdays through Sundays until July 10 except for June 24. Tickets are available by calling Tickets to Go, 333-6841.

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Park Square Theatre Company will open S. N. Behrman's *No Time for Comedy* at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 2, in the Minnesota Museum of Art's Jemne Building at the corner of St. Peter Street and Kellogg Boulevard. This light and stylish comedy wryly questions the place of light and stylish comedies in a world of war and chaos. This is the opening production in Park Square's Summer Festival of American Plays: A 1930s Retrospective. It will continue through June 25 with shows at 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays, 8:00 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and 2:00 on Sunday, June 12. For ticket information, call 291-7005.

Eight new directors will show their work in the 1988 Directors' Showcase at Theatre in the Round Players June 4, 5, 11 and 12. Four directors, Michael Lane, Marguerite Foster, Esther Moon and Rory Sullivan, will be showcased from 10:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, June 4 and 5. Cory Peterson, Margaret Swanson, Scott Allen and Mary Finnerty will be featured from 10:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, June 11 and 12. Tickets, $3.00 per session or $5.00 for the day, will be available at the door. Call 333-2919 for more information.

Film

A Month in the Country, a study in human respect and compassion about a shell-shocked English World War I veteran who returns home to resume his trade of restoring medieval murals in old churches, is playing now through June 1 at Film in the Cities' Jerome Hill Theater, located in First Trust Center at Fifth and Jackson streets. The film is about spiritual healing and the reverence for the private space and special pain of this ex-soldier that helps him to heal over time. The film will roll at 7:30 p.m. Friday through Wednesday, with additional shows scheduled at 9:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2:00 p.m. Sunday. Admission is $4.00.

Andy Warhol, a film portrait narrated by Warhol himself, will be screened along with *Warhol's E.P.I.* at 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1, in the Walker Art Center auditorium. The first film explores Warhol's impact on the art scene and discusses his cinematic career as the most influential underground filmmaker. *Warhol's E.P.I.* is a record of Warhol's fabled Exploding Plastic Inevitable, featuring Gerald Melanga and Ingrid Superstar with music by the Velvet Underground and Nico. Admission is $4.00.

A Chinese Ghost Story, a horror film adapted from a series of popular Chinese ghost stories, will be playing June 3-15 at Film in the Cities' Jerome Hill Theater, located in First Trust Center at 5th and Jackson streets. With brilliant special effects and English subtitles, the film tells about a mild-mannered youth who comes knocking at a haunted temple looking for cheap lodging. The film will roll at 7:30 p.m. Friday through Wednesday, with additional shows scheduled at 9:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2:00 p.m. Sunday. Admission is $4.00.

The area premiere of the innovative documentary *Naked Spaces: Living Round* will be screened at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1, at Coffman Union Theatre at the University of Minnesota. The film was shot in six West African countries and gives various perspectives on culture, art and architecture including that of the anthropologist, of the indigenous people and of Western logic. The result is a fascinating representation of a feminist approach to reality. The cost is $3.00; $1.50 for students.

Stranger Than Paradise has been called the loopiest and best movie of 1984. Sixteen-year-old Eva from Hungary comes to New York to visit her cousin Willie and his friend Eddie. A year later they drive to Cleveland to rescue her from the care of her Aunt Lotte and a cold Midwestern winter. Together they drive south for a vacation in Florida. The film, which won the Camera d'Or at the 1984 Cannes Film Festival, will be screened at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 2, in the West Bank Union Auditorium in Willey Hall on the U of M's West Bank campus. Admission is $3.00; $1.50 with a student I.D.

The House of Bernarda Alba, based on the play by Federico Garcia Lorca, examines the smoldering passions that arise in a houseful of eligible daughters watched over by a tyrannical, recently widowed matriach during a hot Andalusian summer. The movie will be screened at 7:15 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, in the auditorium of the Walker Art Center. *La Senyora* will be screened at 9:00 p.m. This film tells the story of a woman forced into marriage with an older man who has a bizarre sexual demand. Upon her husband's death, she avenges her degradation by imposing the same rule on her new young lover. The cost is $5.00. For tickets, call 375-7622.

Exhibits

A photo exhibit depicting scenes from St. Paul in 1903 is now on view at the American National Bank's main lobby in downtown St. Paul. The exhibit is sponsored by the bank to mark the 85th anniversary of its founding in May 1903. More than 50 photos of the city, prominent people of the day and scenes of everyday work and leisure are included. A special section of the exhibit is devoted to some of the winning entries in the recently completed elementary-student essay contest on what St. Paul was like in 1903.

Macalester College graduating seniors Matt Pawlowski and Kelly Fosle will exhibit their paintings, drawings, prints and sculptures May 27-September 5 in the galleries of Macalester's Janet Wallace Fine Arts Center. The exhibit will open with a public reception from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Friday, May 27. The gallery is open to the public without charge by appointment. For more information, call 696-6279.

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the Science Museum of Minnesota in downtown St. Paul. "Dinosaurs '88" will stalk the third floor of the museum May 28 through Labor Day in an exhibit that will feature twice as many of the popular robotic dinosaurs as were exhibited at the museum in 1986. In addition to the robotic dinosaurs, the exhibit will include accurately landscaped environments, a collection of fossils, demonstrations, theater performances, and a model showing the inside workings of a robotic dinosaur. The Science Museum, located at 30 E. 10th St., is open from 9:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday-Saturday and from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is $3.50 for adults, $2.50 for senior citizens and children 12 and younger. Call 221-9454 for more information.

Original WAVE Gallery members Karen Bacig, Ruth Kolman Brophy, Sara Church and Marcy Nelson will show their art work from June 3 to July 1 at the WARM Gallery, 414 N. 1st Ave., Minneapolis. An opening reception will be held from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Saturday, June 4. The gallery is open from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, till 8:00 p.m. Thursday, and from noon to 5:00 p.m. Saturday.

Et cetera

The Minnesota West Coast Swing Dance Club will hold a dance from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. on Friday, May 27, at the B-Dale Club, 2100 N. Dale St. Free dance lessons will be given at 7:30 p.m. Admission is $5.00. For more information, call 774-5516.

Susan Fuller's comedy show, "Cousin Doris Was From Pluto," is being performed Friday and Saturday, May 27 and 28, at the HaHa Club, West 28th Street and Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis. Fuller uses the death of Cousin Doris, who met her fate in an odd manner, to introduce Doris' friends and relations including Grandma Boomboom, Muskystartrout, Princess Sheryll, June Bob the rodeo nurse and Becky and her marshmallows. Some are in mourning and some are not, but together they prove that every family has a strange story to tell. Call the club at 872-0305 for tickets and show times.

The Guild of Oriental Dance and the Cassandra School of Belly Dance will present a festival of Middle Eastern dance at 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 28, at the People's Center, 2000 5th St. Minneapolis. A $1.00 donation is requested. A door prize will be given away and refreshments will be available. For more information, call 861-2383 or 522-4010.

Writers Sigrid Bergie and John Reinhard will celebrate the publication of their new books of poetry with a reading at 8:00 p.m. on Friday, June 3, at the Loft, 2301 E. Franklin Ave., Minneapolis. Bergie will read from *Turning Out the Lights*, a collection of her poems released by New Rivers Press. Reinhard will read from his latest book of poems, *Burning the Prairie*, also from New Rivers. A reception and book signing will follow the reading. Admission is $4.00.

Members of the St. Paul Chapter of Sweet Adelines invite all young women who like to sing to join them for an evening of entertainment and information on barbershop harmony at 8:00 p.m. Monday, June 6, at First Lutheran Parish Hall, 463 Maria Ave. For more information or to arrange transportation, call 484-5432 or 484-0725.

Dance

SummerDance '88 Festival will return for its fourth season to fill the month of June with dance classes, workshops and performances. Presented by the Minnesota Dance Alliance and Ordway Music Theatre, the Summerdance '88 performances will be given Wednesday through Saturday evenings June 3-23 at the Ordway's McKnight Theatre. Daniel West and Dancers will open the series at 8:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, June 3 and 4. West, who trained with German choreographer Pina Bausch, creates dances that are tough, haunting and intense. The Mahkahta Dance Theatre will perform at 8:30 on Wednesday and Thursday, June 8 and 9. Tickets are $9.50. Special subscription tickets are also available. For more information, call 224-4222.

Summer nature programs offered

Nature programs for children ages 5 to 13 will be offered this summer at Crosby Farm Park. Sponsored by the St. Paul Division of Parks and Recreation, the classes will cover reptiles and amphibians, camping skills, pond-life studies and more. For more information, call Howard Bell at 292-7400.

Theater workshops for children offered

Classes and performance opportunities for children 3 to 18 will be offered by the Fuller Young People's Theatre in its annual summer theater workshop.

Classes in creative dramatics will be open to children ages 3 to 6, and classes in acting and improvisation, as well as production workshops, will be offered to children ages 7 to 18. Students 12 to 18 who have had more experience or training may register for a special "Acting Shakespeare Workshop."

The program will run June 20 through July 23 at the troupe's headquarters in the Lyndale Church, 31st Street and South Aldrich Avenue in Minneapolis.

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Sports

Dollies roll over Washburn for first-ever Twin City title

by T. D. Mischke

The Cretin-Derham Hall girls' softball team made it look easy last Friday as they rolled over the Washburn Millers 10-2 to win their first-ever Twin City High School Championship.

Playing on an unseasonably warm afternoon at Parade Stadium in Minneapolis, the Dollies showed the explosive capability of a team that went undeafeated in the St. Paul City Conference this year and has now won 12 straight games.

"We got off to a bit of a slow start this year," said Cretin-Derham Hall coach Tom Cody. "We were 4-3 before we started this winning streak. You have to give a lot of credit to the way our defense has been playing. They've kept us in there."

The Dollies' defense was impressive during the championship game, but some timely hitting helped as well. It was junior Sheri Byrne's three-run double in the top of the fifth that broke open a 3-1 ballgame.

"I was a little surprised with how that worked out," Cody said. "With bases loaded and no outs in that inning, we had our third and fourth batters up and got nothing out of either of them. Sheri, our DH, came through for us."

Byrne's line drive into the gap in left center was followed by another double by third baseman Kari Kane, completing a five-run inning that was more than enough to give pitcher Jenny Tschida her 16th win.

Tschida, now 16-1, is having a banner pitching season, even without the benefit of a fastball. "She's been doing it with great control," her coach said.

Tschida, for her part, credited her teammeates with giving her the insurance runs that made worrying about

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PHOTO BY MIKE LONG

Cretin-Derham Hall second baseman Brenda Kiffe sets up for a catch during the Dollies' 10-2 win over Washburn in the Twin City High School Championship last Friday.

Rowing club sculls along under power of young recruits

by Tom Cody

Patty Ohme was born a rower, she says. From the age of nine she practiced the sport under the tutelage of her father, and went on to compete in the World Games. A veteran now with the Minneapolis Rowing Club, Ohme is passing on her love for rowing to several local girls, high school students who have found a new appreciation for this very different team sport.

Ohme, a former basketball athletic trainer at Regina High School, recruited students at the school last spring for the Minneapolis Rowing Club and started a training program. "I talked some of the girls into trying the sport," Ohme said. "There were 28 at the first meeting, then I explained that it was a lot of work and that we trained every day from 5:00 to 7:00 a.m. The next day it was more like 15 girls, but they stuck it out."

Ohme held practices in Regina's cafeteria. "I had to start from scratch and teach basic strokes and commands," she said. "Then we did basic rowing motions on the cafeteria tables."

Regina closed its doors for good at the end of that school year. Seven of the girls transferred to Cretin-Derham Hall and continued to work with Ohme.

"Patty suggested we try rowing instead of softball last spring," said Kristin Utvik, one of the transfer students. "I like it. It's a lot of work, but it's different from softball or track. It's an all-body sport and gets you into great shape." A look at Utvik's hands tells the tale of her daily workouts on the Mississippi River. Her palms are covered with blisters and calluses. "We wanted to wear gloves at first because it hurt and was so cold in the mornings, but Patty told us we couldn't feel the oars properly with gloves on."

Kate Regnier is another Cretin-Derham Hall transfer student from Regina who has taken to the water sport. "We'd go down to the club (located alongside the Lake Street Bridge) every morning before school and row to the U of M and back (about 10 kilometers)," Regnier said. "It's a wonderful experience to row past the sewage plant and smell it at dawn," she added with a smile.

Regnier and Utvik had a memorable time last April when they tipped over in their four-person craft. "We all dug too hard on the left side and we tipped," Utvik said. "We went under in slow motion. We were in the water for about 15 minutes and it was cold. My legs were numb until I got home and had some hot chocolate and soup."

> ***"It's so quiet down there on the river. You can concentrate and get good exercise at the same time."***
>
> ***—Ann Marie Foss***

But with hard work and perseverance, the girls improved. "The kids have come a long way," Ohme said. "They'll compete in some local regattas this summer, and I'm hoping to take them to Indianapolis for the Junior Nationals in June."

Ohme is accustomed to national competition. She placed second and third in national meets in Philadelphia and Oakland in 1973 and '74. "My dad rowed back when the Minneapolis Club was located on Lake Calhoun in the early '40s," Ohme said. "I was born into it. I started rowing when I was nine." Ohme went on to compete with the Midwest Team in the World Games in Montreal in 1984. There, her team finished fifth in the eight-person event.

Her love of the sport makes her its greatest promoter. "We need to keep recruiting the younger kids," Ohme said. "Since all the Cretin-Derham Hall rowers are now seniors, they'll be going off to different colleges and we'll lose them. Rowing is a varsity high

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school sport out East, so it's tough to compete against those people. But there's no reason rowing couldn't be a varsity sport in Minnesota high schools."

There are approximately 100 members of the Minneapolis Rowing Club, and they are divided into three classes. There are novices or first-year members, juniors and seniors.

"Rowing is not like soccer or any other team sport," Ohme said. "The boat moves when the team works as one. I think it teaches a great deal about life."

A rower can only become a senior after he or she has won a race. Competition exists in one- and two-person sculling (rowing with two oars at once) and four- and eight-person sweeping (rowing with just one oar). In eight-person sweeps, there is also a coxswain in the stern who barks out the commands.

Ann Marie Foss is one of the high school girls who serves as the coxswain about half the time. "I got nominated because I'm pretty small," she said. "My main job is to keep the eight girls rowing together. We don't use the old megaphone anymore. We use a battery-charged microphone. Foss alternates as coxswain with Kate Hermes. The rest of the team members from Cretin-Derham Hall are Lori Delaney, Amy Rosemark and Sarah Hood.

Foss appreciates the beautiful benefits of the sport. "It's so quiet down there on the river," she said. "You can concentrate and get good exercise at the same time."

Ohme agreed that concentration is needed. "Rowing takes a versatile athlete," she said. "You have to be able to work together with others like you do in no other sport. Everybody has to put out full blast and concentrate on the task at hand. It teaches you to work through frustration and gives you courage and inner drive.

"I have friends all over the country whom I've rowed with," Ohme said. "The closeness I have with those people comes from the struggles we went through as a team. It's not like soccer or any other team sport. The boat moves when the team works as one. I think it teaches a great deal about life."

From the landing under the Lake Street Bridge, an eight-person sweep from the Minneapolis Rowing Club heads downriver to the rhythm of the coxswain's commands.

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Macalester College will host Minnesota Special Olympics

More than 1,500 trained athletes from across the state will be competing in the XVIII Annual Minnesota Special Olympics Chapter Summer Games Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 7-9, on the campus of Macalester College.

Event organizers are expecting over 10,000 spectators to attend this year's games, which have greatly expanded since 1985, when the games were last held in the Twin Cities. They will feature competition in athletics, soccer, bowling, tennis, volleyball and equestrian events.

This year's events will begin on June 1, when more than 300 police officers from around the state will begin an Olympics torch relay. The Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics will involve relays from Moorhead, Duluth, Wadena, Brainerd, Aitkin, St. Cloud, Redwood Falls, Anoka, Faribault, Mankato and Rochester. The final leg of the relay will be from the state Capitol to Macalester College in time for the opening ceremonies at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 7.

The opening ceremonies will feature a parade of athletes accompanied by an escort of celebrities. The guest speaker will be polar explorer Ann Bancroft.

The athletic competition will run from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, and from 8:00 a.m. to noon on Thursday. In addition to the competition, there will be receptions and a dance for the athletes.

More than 6,500 children and adults with mental retardation participate in year-round programs of sports training and athletic competition through Minnesota Special Olympics. The Special Olympics were created in 1968 by the Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. Foundation.

Horse owners asked for help

One relatively new feature of the Minnesota Special Olympics competition at Macalester College June 7-9 will be the equestrian events. Sheryl Cater, coordinator of the event, is still looking for volunteers to donate their time and/or their horses for the equestrian competition.

The horses must have a good disposition and show ring experience. The owners will be asked to transport their horses to and from Macalester College. For more information, or to volunteer, call Cater at 487-1445 (days) or 922-0942 (evenings).

CST men and women take MIAC all-sports title again

Both the men's and women's athletics programs at the College of St. Thomas have captured MIAC all-sports titles for the 1987-88 season.

The CST women won their third consecutive crown in convincing fashion, scoring 99 points to outdistance second-place St. Olaf by 13½ and third-place Carleton by 30½.

The 99 points marked the highest point total for any school in the five-year history of the award. (Twelve points are given to the first-place team in a given sport, 11 for second place, 10 for third, etc.) The Tommies captured league championships in cross country, soccer, outdoor track and softball, and were runners-up in volleyball, basketball and indoor track.

The men won their ninth straight all-sports trophy, but it came down to the final day of conference competition. St. Thomas had a half-point lead over St. John's going into the last weekend and needed to finish ahead of the Johnnies at the MIAC Track and Field Championships to take home the all-sports title. They did just that, winning the conference track meet while St. John's took second. The 1½-point (111½ to 110) margin of victory was the tightest win for St. Thomas ever.

This year, the Toms won conference championships in cross country, soccer, indoor track, tennis and outdoor track, and finished second in hockey and wrestling.

Donaghy qualifies for NCAA meet

University of Minnesota junior distance runner Eileen Donaghy, a Highland Park Senior High School graduate, became the first Minnesota woman to qualify for the NCAA Championship Track and Field Meet since Jody Eder and Becky Fettig competed at the 1985 NCAA outdoor meet. Donaghy set a new school record in the 10,000-meter run at the Drake Relays with a time of 34:15.83, well under the NCAA qualifying mark of 34:25.00. She also shaved nearly 24 seconds off her old school record, set last year. Donaghy becomes the first Gopher woman ever to qualify for the NCAA meet in the 10,000.

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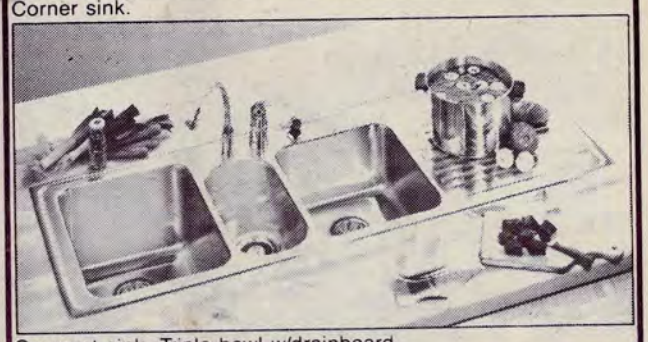

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her speed a little easier.

"Up until the fifth inning I was pitching pretty conservatively," she said. "I was just trying to put it over the plate and not walk anyone. After those runs I started to move the ball around a little more."

Tschida said the Dollies did not expect to have such an easy time with the Millers, who were 13-5, and said the rout had more to do with an exceptionally strong showing from Cretin-Derham Hall than a poor performance from Washburn.

Cody said excellent scouting reports on the Washburn team made his job a lot easier. "The word we got was hit it to the third baseman," he said. "That's what we did. We had a lot of success bunting down the line, and our bunting has been pretty awful up until this game."

With the Twin City title behind them, the Dollies now face the regional tournament. Beginning this week, Cretin-Derham Hall was scheduled to take a bye in the first round and then play the winner of the Como Park-Central game Tuesday night in Hastings. Park-Cottage Grove is the favorite in that tournament, with the Dollies seeded second.

Regardless of what happens in the regionals, however, the Dollies have already had their finest season ever, never having won so much as a conference championship until this year.

"Having eight seniors on the squad this year has made the difference," Cody said. The pitching of a 16-1 junior pitcher with a so-so fastball hasn't hurt, either.

STA names Zahr athletic director

St. Thomas Academy has appointed John W. Zahr its athletic director for the 1988-89 school year. Zahr has been a teacher of physical education and health at the school since 1977, and has been chairman of that department since 1980.

He also coaches the academy's cross-country and track teams, and is the junior varsity hockey coach.

Zahr graduated from Southwest High School in Minneapolis in 1973, where he was a member of two state cross-country championship teams. He earned B.A. and M.A. degrees in athletic administration from the College of St. Thomas.

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SUMMER REGISTRATION CONTINUES

Registration for summer sports will continue through the month of May at all local recreation centers. Children are urged to register as soon as possible. Birth certificates or proof-of-birth records must be shown at registration, and all fees must be paid at that time.

Edgcumbe Rec Center is offering a summer special on racquetball. For $50, adults can have unlimited play from May through August on Edgcumbe's courts. The price is $35 for those 17 and under. Call Edgcumbe for more information.

Merriam Park will offer an advanced karate class for boys and girls in grade 6 or older from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, May 26 to June 16. The cost is $15. Other classes that will be offered this summer at Merriam Park include 4-H rocketry and aerospace for grades 3-6, tennis for youths and adults, Chinese language and calligraphy for adults, walking trips for senior citizens, and a fitness class for kids in kindergarten through 4th grade.

Desnoyer is signing up children for its summer T-ball and peewee baseball leagues. Registration is open from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. weekdays for the season that begins in June. T-ball is open to children in kindergarten through the 2nd grade, and baseball to children ages 11 and 12.

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Day camp will be offered this summer from 9:00 to 4:00 Monday through Friday, August 1-5. Registration will be taken until June 10. Application forms can be picked up at all recreation centers.

A citywide track meet will be held on Friday, June 17, at Central High School for kids in grades 1-8. Practices for the meet will be held on Mondays, June 6 and 13. Call your local recreation center for more details.

Gymnast captures third place

Elizabeth Hanninen

Elizabeth Hanninen, an 11-year-old who began her gymnastic training at the Edgcumbe Recreation Center, recently captured third place all-around in her age group at a state gymnastics meet.

Hanninen, the daughter of John and Harriet Hanninen, took third against 58 competitors at the Class III Intermediate Optional State Gymnastic Meet at Crowley's Gymnastic Center in Oakdale. Hanninen's all-around score of 33.45 gained her a place on the Class II team. She placed first on the vault with a score of 8.65 and eighth on the beam with a score of 7.70. Her floor score was 8.70 and her bar score was 8.40. Among all age groups, with 132 gymnasts, Hanninen place fifth all-around.

Hanninen, who trained under Betsy Hochette at Edgcumbe, recently moved with her family to Rosemount, and now competes for Crowley's Gymnastic Center.

Tommies win MIAC tennis title

The College of St. Thomas men's tennis team, buoyed by the performances of team captains Tom Ottavi and Bill Kron, knocked off tennis powerhouse Gustavus Adolphus for the MIAC title May 7 and 8.

The Tommies captured first place in six of the nine brackets to score 80 points. Gustavus was second with 67½ points, followed by St. John's University (57) and Carleton College (56). Ottavi won the No. 3 singles spot, and then teamed up with Steve Cordts to take the No. 2 doubles title. Cordts won at No. 5 singles as well.

Kron, a former goalie for the St. Thomas hockey team, took first in the No. 6 singles, and took No. 3 in the doubles bracket with teammate John Landry. The other first-place finisher for the Tommies was John Ottavi, Tom's brother, who took the No. 4 singles title.

The championship marked the first time in four years that St. Thomas has won the MIAC title.

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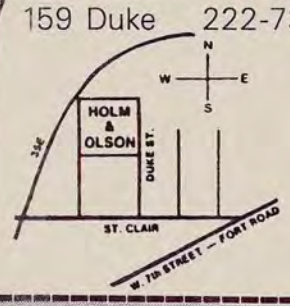

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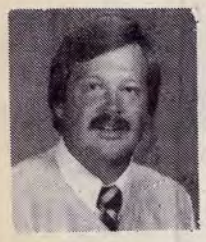

Cody's Corner

by Tom Cody

PRIME TIME FOR THE PROS

My cable-television bill seems to go up every month, and every time it's due, I wonder whether the old movies, the Weather Channel and 16 fishing shows a week are worth all the money I'm shelling out for the service.

Ah, but then May rolls around, the merry month for which us armchair athletes wait all year. May is the month of the NHL and NBA playoffs—the sports junkie's ultimate fix. And cable television is the only dealer in town offering almost-daily doses of these games, a competition as pure as professional sports ever gets.

I've long held to the notion that professional hockey and basketball players are only going through the motions during the regular season. In the playoffs it's a different story, however; when the title is at stake, the teams in both leagues actually play defense. The hockey playoffs are fast-paced and exciting, and NBA players—the best athletes in the world—go full tilt at this time of the year.

If you don't have cable, you probably missed witnessing the continued domination of the NHL by Wayne Gretzky and his Oilers, and the remarkable playoff performances of Michael Jordan of the NBA's Chicago Bulls. Jordan has accomplished what few other superstars have: he has surpassed his sport. Jordan is more than just the reason people watch the Chicago Bulls; he's all there is to watch. When Jordan plays, he is the show. The spectacle at a Chicago Bulls game isn't professional basketball, it isn't an NBA playoff game. It's Michael Jordan.

The NBA is probably relieved that the Bulls have been eliminated from the playoffs. Now that the Jordan Show is over, fans can turn their attention back to the matter at hand: the drive for the championship and the Lakers' efforts to repeat as NBA champs.

NOT A DOME BIT OF DIFFERENCE

There are worse ways to spend the $7.95 it costs to bring a Twins' home game into your home via cable television. And when you consider the hideous alternative—watching the game inside the Metrodome—the television deal seems even better.

Actually, watching the Twins on cable TV isn't very different from sitting in the vapid atmosphere of the Dome. Neither medium is anything at all like seeing baseball played outdoors. The TV version is just less expensive. We made popcorn, so the total tab for the family was $8.50.

The cable telecast isn't very different from a KMSP broadcast either. Dick Bremer and Harmon Killebrew are comparable to their counterparts on Channel 9, and, much to my surprise, there are just as many advertisements during the cable program. At least on cable you don't have to listen to continual plugs for Channel 9's "The Tracy Ullman Show."

Killebrew as a color man is mildly interesting, but his apparent lack of baseball anecdotes makes me wonder what he was doing during his 22 years in the major leagues. As a veteran of 500 and some road trips, shouldn't he be able to come up with at least a few amusing reminiscences with which to entertain his television audience?

The Killer is probably the best hitter in the booth, but as an announcer. . . he was better doing plugs for Foreman & Clark.

AND SO ST. THOMAS TRIES HARDER

Central College of Iowa edged the College of St. Thomas 3-2 in the finals of the NCAA Division III West Regional Softball Tournament two weeks ago. It was the third time in the last four years that Coach Steve Williams' team just missed winning the championship. The Tommies were runners-up in the regional tourneys of 1985 and '86 as well.

"We weren't pleased with second, but Central is really tough," Williams said. "After they out-hit us 10-1 in the first round, we wondered if we could compete with them at all."

St. Thomas opened the double-elimination tournament with a first-round, 3-2 win over the University of California-San Diego, but lost to Central College 4-0 in the second round. "Their pitcher looked invincible that day," Williams said. "It looked like we were history."

But two big wins the following day put St. Thomas in the championship game. They beat San Diego 2-1 on Stacy O'Reilly's sacrifice fly in the ninth inning, then edged Central 2-1 on Jean Ewald's three-hitter. St. Thomas fell victim to Central in the final game when an errant throw brought home the winning run with two outs in the seventh inning. Margie Utecht, a Nativity School graduate, batted in both runs for the Tommies in the championship game, and was the team's top hitter this season with a .419 average.

VIKES GIVE SHEPPARD A SHOT

Von Sheppard, former star athlete for Central High School, has recovered from serious knee surgery and took part in the Minnesota Vikings' recent mini-camp. He'll be given a shot at the job of returning kicks for the Vikings when training camp opens in July. Sheppard played three games for the University of Nebraska last fall before suffering the injury on a punt return. "He didn't get hit or anything," explained his father, Buford Sheppard. "He was going up the field and it just went out on him."

The Vikings' management was impressed by the reconstructive surgery on Sheppard's knee, calling it the best work of that type they'd ever seen. Sheppard also has been contacted by the New Orleans Saints, but decided to give the local team the first shot at signing him. "He'd prefer to make the Vikings," Buford said. "And he thinks he's got a decent chance. They're going to go with Hassan Jones and Anthony Carter as their starting wide receivers, but the reserves will be guys who can run back kicks."

MITCHELL'S ARM, BAT BOOST 'HAHA

It seems we've seen it on three mornings every week this spring, a capsule summary in the daily newspaper reading, "Pitcher Amy Mitchell struck out 10, allowed only three hits, and went two-for-four at the plate with a home run as the Minnehaha Academy softball team. . . ."

Mitchell, a 6-foot-1 senior, has been pitching for Minnehaha for three years now, and has amassed 31 career victories. "And we haven't supported her all that well," said coach Greg Nelson, whose team was hovering around the .500 mark as they entered the district playoffs. "Amy's been throwing the ball really well this year. She's had 132 strikeouts in her first 13 games. She struck out 17 in a recent game against Mahtomedi."

Mitchell can also swing the bat. She's hitting around .500 this spring, after posting impressive averages of .387 and .488 her sophomore and junior seasons. Next fall she will be attending Luther College in Decorah, Iowa. "I think she'll do well in that (NCAA Division III) program," Nelson said.

ALL-CONFERENCE BALLPLAYERS PICKED

Three ex-Cretin High School ballplayers were among 16 college students recently named to the MIAC all-conference baseball team. Nick Whaley, a first baseman now at the College of St. Thomas, Jim Tschida, a catcher at St. Mary's College in Winona, and Bill Dale, a designated hitter at St. Olaf's College in Northfield, were the students so honored.

On the high school front, 11 local ballplayers were named all-conference in St. Paul. They are Rick Gavin from Highland Park, Joe Loots, Jeff Loots, Seth James and Sean McKamie from Central, and Dan Scanlan, Tony Lancette, Jim Cummings, Brian Heather, Bert Sager and Layne Leitner from Cretin-Derham Hall. Scanlan and McKamie were also named to the prestigious Lions All-Star Games.

In high school softball, eight local students were named all-conference in St. Paul. They are Tina Johnson from Highland Park, Katie Laird and Tracy Privatsky from Central, and Lynn Markert, Amy Bordenave, Jenny Tschida, Sheri Byrne and Margaret Nowlin from Cretin-Derham Hall.

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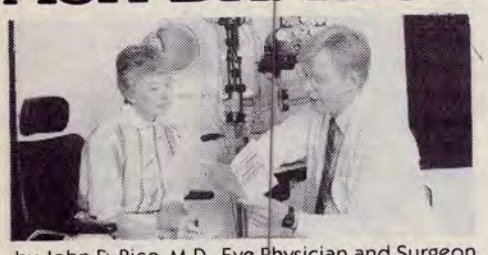

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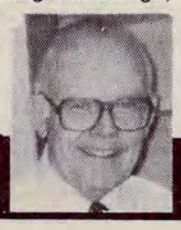

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Be an original! Own a charming turn-of-the-century farmhome in the heart of the city! Two stories, 3 bedrooms, 1¾ bath in Nativity Parish. Updated mechanicals and interior, high ceilings, pocket doors and parlour as main-floor family room. Katie Vondrasek (698-2434). $89,900.

Country elegance. This truly lovely 4-bedroom colonial is built on a hill with a spectacular view. Beautifully decorated, oak floors, vaulted ceilings, 3 fireplaces in living room, delightful master bedroom suite, screen porch overlooking landscaped yard. Susan Ristau (224-4321). $228,000.

Three bedrooms. Beautiful natural oak built-in bookcases, buffet and archway. Refinished oak floors, brick fireplace, 3 bedrooms upstairs, newer roof, 1-car garage, appliances include refrigerator, range, washer and dryer. Nice deep lot. Jon Stromme (690-8452). $64,900.

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First-time buyers. Charming two-bedroom Dutch colonial with matching garage. New main-floor 4-season porch and ¾ bath. 21 x 14 deck above porch. Wonderful fireplace in living room. Formal dining room. All appliances. Brian Fudenberg (690-8453). $73,900.

Affordable starter. Two-bedroom rambler in Highland Park, walking distance to the Village, bus and schools. Interior has been recently painted and recarpeted. Large eat-in kitchen and more. Call today for a showing. Colleen Langford (690-8421).

Clapboard colonial. South-facing on Highland Parkway. White colonial with bay windows and wing rooms. Spacious living room, den and screened porch off formal dining room, master bedroom with two closets, 2½-car garage. Call today! Dennis Osborn (690-8439).

Pristine family home. On Edgcumbe Road. Immaculate 4-plus bedroom with master bedroom suite, sunken family room and upper-level den. Kithen with eating area newly remodeled. New AC and roof, lower-level family room. Jeannie Baer (690-8445). $229,900.

New listing. 3930 E. 75th St. in Inver Grove Heights. Three bedrooms, 1¾ baths, 3-level split. Excellent condition, fenced yard, and large assumable mortgage. Please call Mary V. Meyer (224-4321). $86,500.

Perfect family home. Gracious living areas plus privacy for each family member's interests. Sunny family room, den, amusement room, 4 bedrooms with master suite, 3rd floor hideaway, 3¼ baths, eat-in kitchen, deck and hot tub. Bobbie Benno (690-8408). $142,900.

Mississippi River Blvd. Distinctive Tudor in Kings Maplewood. Breathtaking views, exquisite architecture, elegant living, dining and sunrooms, updated kitchen, breakfast room, master suite with fireplace, 5 bedrooms, 4 baths, well maintained. Peryl Krawetz (690-8483).

Superb location! First-floor family room is just the beginning of this lovely 3-bedroom expansion bungalow. Large eat-in kitchen, 1½ baths, recreation room, and all this situated on large lot. Priced sharply at $94,900. Please call Ed Fink (690-8420) or Mitch Fink (690-8419).

Quality, condition. 889 Bluebill Drive, Mendota Heights. Three bedrooms, 2½ baths, family room, game room and office. Lots of beautiful wood and brick. Fireplace, wet bar, CA, patio, 2-car double deep garage, possible CD terms. Mary V. Meyer (224-4321). $182,000.

First choice offering. Just listed! This 3-bedroom rambler features living room with fireplace, recreation room, 1½ baths and attached garage. Hurry and be the first to see! Priced in $80's. For all your real estate needs please call Ed Fink (690-8420) or Mitch Fink (690-8419).

Westown townhome. 27 E. Marie Ave. Large living room with fireplace and balcony, kitchen with all appliances and big eating area, two bedrooms, family room, patio and garage. Mary V. Meyer (224-4321). $62,900.

Executive hide-away. This stunning brick rambler is set on a fabulous lot, fully landscaped with many mature trees. Gorgeous oak woodwork throughout, 2 fireplaces, spacious living room, formal dining room, great walkout lower level. Mary Belisle (690-8406). $229,000.

Priced reduced! True duplex, owner-occupied, 2 bedrooms, sunrooms, natural woodwork, separate utilities, 2-car garage. For more information or a private showing, please call Lonelle Crawford (690-8405).