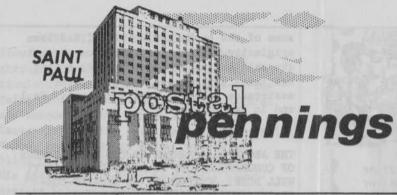


Martin O. Weddington Papers.

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#### FOR CHILD'S SAKE -

Remember when you were around eight or nine years old and you created your really first great work of art? Remember how proud you were? Remember how you wanted to show it to everyone - your family, your friends and even strangers who came up your street? Perhaps your teacher displayed your creation in the classroom - or maybe your mom put it on a wall in your home. Just imagine how proud you would have been had you been able to have entered a real Arts and Crafts Show.

Do you have talented children? This year the Post Office Arts and Crafts Show will have a special section just for your offspring's drawings, paintings, sculpture, sewing - just anything at all!



They will be able to put on display their handiwork and we hope to have an unusual display. Each child, through age fourteen (14) will be allowed one entry. ENTER, SESAME - there is no other password except W E L C O M E! ...(by Linda S.)

# WANTED!!! ALIVE REWARD



#### \$INCERE THANK\$!



Please notify the Art Show Sitter Committee IMMEDIATELY if you have information regarding the whereabouts of Person or Persons of Adult Age, known to be employed by the Local Post Office, or who are retirees thereof, who are willing to "Ride Shotgun" at the Art Exhibit to be held on these Premises. Such Persons will be required TO WATCH AND WAIT, SIT, SMILE, SHAKE HANDS, GUARD VALUABLE ART, DISTRI-BUTE PROPAGANDA, TICKETS & CIRCULARS and such diverse and pleasant activities as may be needed. Such Persons will be Sentenced to Minimum Tours of ONE HOUR of Hard Duty, or MORE, if so desired\*\*\*\*Terms start at 10:30 am (Sharp), in Hourly Segments, and continue throughout the Day until 9:30 pm EACH DAY---

BEGINNING Monday, 10-17
AND ENDING Friday, 10-21
Consult your Calendar!!!!
Telephone NOW! 725-7277
Contact your nearest Art Show
DO NOT ALLOW THIS UNHEARD OF OPPORTUNITY TO BE OF SERVICE TO YOUR
VERY OWN ART & CRAFTS SHOW TO PASS
BY YOUR DOOR!!!!

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#### PENNINGS

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NOT A LITTLE RICE, THIS!

State of Minnesota
Department of Finance
to: John Hintzen, Acting Foreman
Rice Street Station
St. Paul, MN 55117

Dear Mr. Hintzen: I am writing to thank you and the staff at the Rice Street Station, including my regular route postman, for the assistance and prompt delivery of some 78 boxes of books shipped from my office and home in San Antonio to my office here and my home at 761 Como Ave. I have already received all the insured boxes and I believe almost if not all the uninsured boxes. I know the size of the mailing put a strain on the station's facilities and therefore especially appreciated the courteous and helpful service "beyond the call of duty."

Because of the impossibility of replacing

originally hesitant to send them through the mail but my attitude in that matter has certainly changed because of the assistance received both here in St. Paul and in San Antonio.

some of the books and reports I had been

#### /s/ E. LESTER LEVINE

THE ABOVE IS A SAMPLE OF THE MANY LETTERS OF CONGRATULATIONS WE RECEIVE FOR A DUTY WELL DONE. CERTAINLY, WE RECEIVE COMPLAINTS BUT THE MANY GRATEFUL WHO DO NOT WRITE IN HAVE ALTERNATES WHO DO PEN THESE KINDS OF THANK-YOU'S. AT TIMES THEY MUST BE PRINTED AND SHARED BY THE READERS OF POSTAL PENNINGS. .....Editor

Lowenthal & Luck, Ltd Attorneys at Law Southdale Office Centre-Mpls., MN 55435

To: Kenneth H. Bowser
"I want to express to you my sincere appreciation for your prompt attention to my inquiry of June 1, 1977, concerning Certified Mail Receipt No.800156. As a result of your cooperation, I was able to prevent an innocent man from being convicted of theft. If I may ever be of assistance to you in the future, please do no hesitate to call upon me."

/S/ Thomas D. Luck



Shown above are four of the hard-working comittee members for the 1977 Art & Crafts exhibition. L. to r. are Rallo Benson and Linda Sandhoefner, Ribbons and Crafts; Hank Weir, Judging; Gail Frisk, Advisor. Also present were Jan Conroy, who will head the Children's Division, Charles Eichhorn, who will act as General Coordinator; Willie Konig, Lloyd Jackson, Ev McCleary and Leo Schmeltzer were also in attendance to help formulate plans, rules and other objectives for the annual all-employee event.

WING IT, POSTAL SERVICE

Flow gently, sweet river, as you bend through the heart of our northern vacationland. And Afton, which shores on the Saint Croix River, inherited this natural and unique beauty. This, also, is the legacy left by the Saint Croix to Lyle Puppe, Postmaster at Afton, who is not blind to the effect.

His postal environment is a daily happiness to Lyle and to his customers; so much so that one of them, Elmo Erickson, former home-building contractor, carved an eight-foot wing spanned eagle which is mounted high on the face of the Post Office Building. This carving is one of many created by Elmo, who thought it appropriate to exhibit his work in a popular spot in the city of Afton. His eagle is a conversation piece for the visitors to that area as is his shop, just behind the Post Office. There you can see animals of all sorts, beautiful carved doors, and a circular staircase which is of great interest to the visitors.

If ever you come to Afton, be sure to see both Lyle and Elmo, who together and singly, will show you nature's wonderland. A nice town, nice people, nice visitors and a VERY NICE Postmaster and—thoughtful friend.



THE EAGLE - LYLE - ELMO

#### PEDC'S DELIVERY TO THE

Pictured are 12 hard-working students partaking of the pilot session in Job Performance Improvement Training for Delivery Services.



This program, believed to be the first undertaking of its kind, will eventually take all North Star District supervisory personnel with Delivery Services responsibilities through a comprehensive five-day, 40-hour training course. With a program as totally encompassing as this, exposure to all aspects of delivery services was given through lecture, group participation/discussion. programmed instruction, and a role-playing format. Areas of delivery management of a city and rural delivery unit. so as to touch on topics of planning and budgeting, collection services activities, relief and extension of under-or-over-burdened rural routes. as well as daily management of rural routes, were but a few of the selected subjects. These, in addition to sessions relating to accident prevention and reporting, controlling injury costs. responding to employee grievances, the supervisor's role and responsibilities in handling grievances and equal employment opportunity, all led to what proved to be a worthwhile, beneficial, and comprehensive training experience. The above factors, coupled with the inevitability that within the next 12 months upwards of 250 additional Delivery Services supervisors within the North Star District will attend this program, should all result in a well-trained nucleus of city and rural

> Robert Brown, Supervisor PEDC TRAINING UNIT

Delivery Services personnel.

"Lindy ands AT HOLMAN!

A variety of humans and a variety of aircraft visited Downtown St. Paul Airport (Holman Field) on August 8. It was a field day for philatelists and for the "Spirit of Saint Louis," the replica of the Lindbergh Aircraft, which one could view in the sky and on the ground. The plane and visitors claimed residence on the east side of the Administration Building on Holman Field.



The Spirit of Saint Louis Mobile Unit on site attempted desperately to keep up with the demand for sales commemorating this tour of the "Spirit of St. Louis." A special postmark to honor the 50th Anniversary of the historic tour which Lindbergh made following his flight from New York to Paris in May 1927 was offered to collectors . The tour actually honors Lindbergh's achievements in launching a new era in aviation which helped establish America as the world's leader in Aviation. This Commemorative Tour, fully sponsored by the Experimental Aircraft Association Museum and Foundation of Franklin, Wisconsin, will eventually visit 104 cities in the 48 continguous United States between 15 of June and 30 of October, 1977. Our city was the 36 stop on the tour. In addition to the replica of Lindbergh's

1927 "Spirit of St. Louis." there were

aviation displays and postal displays vividly arrayed on the grounds. With the help of Norm Fay, Minneapolis Post Office, and Donald and Gladys Henslin, President and Secretary of the Maplewood Stamp Club, the Saint Paul Philatelic Mobile Unit sold \$700.00 worth of commemorative stamps. There have been thousands of requests for the special postal cancellation streaming into the affected post offices in Minnesota and across the country, but August 8 will be a day to remember by those who waited, and waited, and waited patiently in line for the on-the-spot cancellations which the Spirit of Saint Louis Mobile Station was so very happy to sell.



SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS STATION AUGUST 8, 1977 SAINT PAUL, MN 55101

An array of pictures taken at the Downtown St. Paul Airport are displayed and one can plainly see Mr. and Mrs. Henslin, Maplewood Stamp Club; Jack Savard and Dick Westerling, St. Paul Postal Emporium and Minneapolis Window Clerk are shown side by side beside the Spirit of St. Louis Mobile Postal Unit: Gus Linback, Tour Manager, Experimental Aircraft Association Museum and Foundation of Franklin, Wisconsin, is shown warmly welcoming your editor to the festivities. It was he who made all the official announcements at the site which helped make this exhibit an orderly affair. Standing beside his craft is the proud air pilot who is flying to as many cities as the tour dictates. It was a fine craft 50 years ago - and I am certain the present pilot considers his replica as a pretty special bird. A very big thank you to Donald F. Sager, Public Information Officer, Minneapolis Post Office, for coordinating all the things so necessary at a presentation

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such as this with Mr. Joseph J. Zaine, Manager, Retail Sales and Services, Saint Paul Post Office, and to Mr. Ralph Rovie, Airport Manager. Things other than the aircraft could have been up in the air that day but only the craft, itself, came down and winged off; what should have been stabilized on ground was right there where it MIGHT have been. That takes planning---and bravos to all others who had a hand in the success of that unusual day that married 1927 to 1977 in a gala event!

CONGRATULATIONS! Carrier/Citizen/Soldier!

John P. Wege, Jr., a carrier out of Elway, has just been named "Distinguished Graduate" of the Intelligence Analyst Course presented by the Fifth U.S. Army Area Intelligence School located at Fort McCoy, Wisconsin. Students in attendance represented the thirteen states comprising the Fifth U.S. Army Area. Wege is a Army Reserve Staff Sergeant.

Sergeant Wege "demonstrated a remarkable understanding of the complex responsibilities of the Intelligence Analyst. These include a knowledge of counterintelligence techniques, preparation of intelligence reports, collection and processing of information into intelligence and a host of related activities. Staff Sergeant Wege is an example of the quality found in the modern citizen-soldier." ... Carl W. Lord, LTC, CA, DIR. OF

PUBLIC AFFAIRS REPORTS TO OUR POSTMASTER

Joe Hoffmann, Elway Carrier, is very, very proud of his son Jerry. On July 15 the Twins put Jerry under contract after a brief tryout at Met Stadium. Jerry Hoffmann graduated from Hill=Murray High School and St. Mary's College, Winona, where he starred in basketball and baseball. This rookie stands 6'5" and weighs 225 pounds and throws right-handed. Currently the Twins have farmed him out to the Appalachian League - and dad says he is doing "extremely well." Congratulations to both Joe and Jerry - one carries the mail and one carries the ballgame. WE ALL HOPE, JOE, THAT HE WILL BE PLAYING IN THE TWIN CITIES SOON! In a TWINS uniform, that is.

ARTISTS/CRAFTSMEN----

An article in the previous issue of Postal Pennings stated that Official Rules for this year's Show would be published "in the next issue of 'Pennings'." By now, everyone should have received a copy of the Official Rules and pertinent information in a special mailing sent out the week of August 8. If you have not received your copy or if you desire extra copies please call 725-7277.

#### PACK UP RETIREMENT IN YOUR OWN LIFE BAG AND SMILE, SMILE, SMILE

Marriages may dissolve after 21 years; houses are exchanged after 21 years; children come of age in most instances at 21 years (changed lately, darn it) and after 21 years a carrier certainly may change his life-style, may he not? BUT, the route which Martin Mellenkamp served for 21 years had objectors to his assertion to be free, white and 21. As far as people in their homes and the businessmen in their firms were concerned "MARTY" should have carried for another 21 years. But, this bachelor had other ideas. HE'S SPLITTING!

Over 300 very satisfied but sorry postal customers bade "FAREWELL" to this carrier at a "SO LONG, MARTY" party Sunday, August 14, at 881 South Robert. The party was sponsored by the South Robert Businessmen's Association. Throughout 21 years their mail was handled so efficiently they felt a celebration was just a small accommodation for the excellent job their carrier had performed.

Postmaster Edenborg presented Marty with a certificate of appreciation from the Saint Paul Post Office and, also, presented the businessmen's plaque to Marty. A beautiful three-piece luggage set with other items came from those who gave him this celebration. Pictured is Postmaster Edenborg presenting the plaque to Marty while Mr. Sperl, President of the South Robert Businessmen's Association, adds his good wishes.

300 goodwill wishes and more are rather nice to carry around without a mailbag; and add to these all the best wishes of his postal friends who couldn't crash the party. Coffee and cookies were plentiful - and something tells me Marty will still be getting a generous supply



of these from his friends on his former route out of West Saint Paul. Those beautiful gigantic 2'x9' signs saying SO LONG, MARTY were just kidding, kiddo. It's really Auf viedersehen, Au revoir, and all that kind of stuff, Marty. SO LONG!

DAMAGED? WHAT NEXT? CARE!
Mail is NOT to be delivered to the customer in other than good condition without being stamped that it was damaged before it reached the Post Office; or, if we did mutilate mail, it should indicate such on envelope, box or package.

We are not to try to dispose of a mail load as quickly as possible whether or not it is in deliverable form. The U.S. Postal Service feels an obligation to mailer and addressee, alike, should their mail be received in poor condition——and Service renders this obligation in the form of explanatory rubber stamps which must be impressed upon any package or letter to be delivered though damaged. The carrier, in particular, has been well

The carrier, in particular, has been well instructed in non-delivery of damaged but unmarked mailings.

"Damaged in Handling-St.Paul, MN" or "Received in Damaged Condition-St. Paul, MN" must appear on a damaged package, letter or box. IT IS NOT TO BE DELIVERED TO THE ADDRESSEE until marked as such.

----Hyland Stokes, Customer Service Representative

#### FAMOUS INFAMY

William Faulkner is famous as one of the foremost modern American authors. It was not always so; not as well known is his short-lived postal career as a most unpopular postmaster. His position in Oxford, Mississippi, was obtained through political influence (?) of a family friend. Faulkner refused the job several times in favor of remaining in New York; yet financial necessity finally forced him to return to his home town in 1921 to assume his duties as Oxford postmaster.

From the very first, it was more than evident he had no interest in his job: patrons incessantly complained their mail was not being forwarded; returned parcels marked "unclaimed" were correctly addressed; and customers waited at the window while he openly read books and articles (belonging to someone else) which interested him. A great complaint was the fact he opened and closed the post office with daily irregularity: and often he was seen on the golf course during office hours. (Heavenly!) Complaints soured into reality when, in 1921, Postal Inspector Mark Webster began charges against Faulkner by saying, "you are a habitual reader of books and magazines, and seem to be reluctant to cease reading long enough to wait on the patrons; that you have a book being printed at the present time, the greater part of which was written while on duty at the post office." The charges were true--- and damaging. By September 1924 Faulkner no longer was in a position to harm the postal service. Certainly it was to the advantage of the government to be rid of him --- and it was to the advantage of every American that he had time to leave us his literary legacy. Two of his most famous books, The Sound and the Fury (1929) and As I Lay Dying (1930) are recognized as masterpieces of fiction --- and does anyone doubt where he might have dreamed up those titles? \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

TEARS ARE VERY LIKE PRAYERS IN THAT MANY ARE SHED AND SAID FOR THE WRONG REASONS.

THE SCHEME AND THE TEAM WHO HIT 100% IN JULY 1977

> Anderson, S. G. Brock, G. A. Brusoe, R. G.

Crothers, J. R. Gaertner, F. P.

Johnson, C. H. Lange, A. A.

Schmidt, H. M.

Schmidt, J. C.

Shaughnessy, W. P. Thomas, M. E.

The only trouble with having a PERFECT co-worker close by is that there is no hope for improvement.

AND AND AND

Praise the Lord for the other half who make it possible for you to belong to that "top half."

LITTLE BOY: My parents and I have finally come to an agreement. They tell me what to do and I do it!
WELL AND GOOD, LITTLE ONE: the good book

WELL AND GOOD, LITTLE ONE: the good bool often says "and it came to pass" but it never does say "it came to stay."

.........

HAVING L O S T THAT EXTRA RIB WAS THE FIRST SIGN OF WOMEN'S LIB!

It is suggested that Metro-Transit install old-fashioned inkwells so that I may do something about all that long hair which covers the print in my morning newspaper!

Benjamin Franklin Bailer, Postmaster General, realizes he did not discover lightning - but I might suggest a little thunder would help move the mails. It's available - and the sky is the limit!

BACK-TO-HEALTH WISHES TO WESLEY GEORGIUS WHO SUFFERED A MILD HEART ATTACK SATURDAY AUGUST 20. WESLEY, WE WANT TO LABEL YOU "WELL."

PARDON ME, ALL, BUT I'VE LEFT AND AM HAVING ONE OF A GOOD TIME, TOO!

APRIL RETIREES:

Arthur J. Nelles, April 8 Walter P. Kubitschek, April 8

John P. Halfen, April 11

Russell H. Traeger, April 15

John R. Nicholls, April 22

Robert V. Erickson, April 29

Roy L. Cobb, April 29

Frank J. Markie, Jr., April 29

MAY RETIREES:

William M. Dempsey, May 11 Robert E. Ridge, May 20

Leo P. Hammes, May 23

Merle F. Willner, May 28

Perry L. Coonce, May 31

Russell J. Spurrier, May 31

John B. Laabs, May 31 JUNE RETIREES:

Edward F. Stacy,

Virgil H. Walser, June 3

John F. Scanlan, June 3 Joseph M. Galvin, June 3 Robert C. Seeley, June 9 Bertram F. SChauer, June 17 Aloysius L. Drost, June 17 Reeve H. Macy, June 24 John H. Kling, June 29 Lee H. Polly, June 30 Ralph W. Pilarski, June 30 Stuart L. Cameron, June 30 George Barbos, June 30 Peter J. Amon, June 30 JULY RETIREES -- Richard J. Cregan, July 1 Jacob C. Simmer, July 8 Calvin G. Garrison, July 8 Emmett J. Colaizy, July 8 Herbert L. Solem. July 15 Wendell F. Johes, July 15 Rudolph G. Germansen, July 20 Roberg J. Kunshier, July 29 Lester E. Jernberg, July 29 Michael A. Casey, July 29 Virgil A. Schumann, July 31

(and other creative Postal People)...

ENTER YOUR MAST ERPIECE
In the Saint Paul Post Office ART & CRAFTS
CONTEST & SHOW

DRIVER-OF-THE-MONTH AWARD FOR MAY

Shown below are Postmaster Edenborg and Carrier Paul R. Keefe, White Bear Lake Branch. The occasion was the presentation of the Driver-of-the-Month Award for May, which was awarded Mr. Keefe on August 8, 1977. On record, Mr. Keefe has a 19-year safe driving performance which might be one of the reasons both men appear happy this particular award found home base. In any case, Carrier Keefe, everyone is proud of such a good record and may it continue for as long as YOU CHOOSE!



GOODBYE, YOU! REMEMBER!

The Transportation Management Office rather quietly bade us Adieu; no fuss, no mess---and NO PARTY! This Field Office of the Central Region leaves quite a vacancy, an emptiness, rather; for there were some seniors among them who really belonged to us - as friends and co-workers and we just can't let them slip away from us without a word.

We wish all of you well in your move to that GREAT BIG Bulk Mail Center. We know you have much more space there —but don't forget, you have a space in the hearts of many right here—and please, please do not forget the some of us who love you! HI, BERNIE!

Ho, Hum! HO, HUM! SKID ROW INFLATION?
Into his cup I tossed a dime but took no pencil. He said, "Whether or not you take a pencil--pencils are now 15 cents each."

FROM MAN TO MAN AND THEN TO THE LADY



In the presence of Regional Officials, members of the Saint Paul Postal Customer Council, Postmaster, Directors, Superintendents and Supervisors, Mr. John C. Schufman accepted a hand-drawn certificate and plaque in appreciation of his success as Postmaster since 1972, and in deference to all the help given by John Schufman to the men he left behind to manage the Saint Paul Post Office. Postmaster Edenborg presented both certificate and plaque to Mr. Schufman; who, in cap and gown, looked the graduate he is.

Postmaster, Directors and Acting Director worked more than a little fact and fiction into magic and achieved a distinctly different and excellent program. Seriousness and humor formed a gentle meld, which mood blended with the inclination of the audience to have a good time. SO, it was a perfect half hour for recipient, for performers, and for those who came to enjoy the whole of it.

Mrs. Schufman graciously accepted the lovely red roses and the audience quickly transferred to both Mr. and Mrs. Schufman the wish for a lasting fragrance -----for two!

OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
PAYMENT OF POSTAGE, \$300



MARTIN O. WEDDINGTON 714 W. CENTRAL AVE. ST. PAUL, MINN. 55104

#### STAMPING OUT ENERGY WASTE

High in priority in the fiscal planning of the Postal Service is a concerted effort to gain a 20% cutback in the use of energy by existing postal facilities over 5000 square feet in size.

A presidential order to federal agencies requires such a reduction by 1985 coupled with the call for designing 45% greater energy efficiency into future buildings. Since the budget for heating, cooling, lighting and running equipment in postal buildings accounts for about 75% of the total energy consumed, one can see the anxiety of the Headquarters' people has reached the foundation of the problem for energy bills for postal facilities jumped 70% since 1973.

Fuel costs for the postal fleet which take approximately a quarter of the annual

energy budget have doubled since 1973, also. The presidential order affects all official vehicles.

So strongly does the Postal Service want to modify energy use that it will issue special stamps and embossed envelopes later in the year to emphasize the urgency in which it regards the energy crises. These coordinated stamps and stationery issues will consist of a pair of stamps and envelopes which repeat the designs of the stamps. Each envelope will be offered in two sizes, with and without windows.

Graphic reminders of the seriousness of this push toward conservation, these stamps must not be confused with commemoratives; these are special stamps which will be on sale for a longer period of time and will be issued in larger quantities for constant availability.



FEATURED THIS MONTH:
Main Office
Mailing Division

At the left are two of the Mailing Div's most popular supervisors, photographed just moments after being told they were to receive 18 additional primers good for 48 letters a minute each, and that these primers had already taken break...



Art (Ole) Olson, a borrowed Transit Section clerk, shown working Minnesota mail in an

Working minnesota mail in an Iowa case, has that Vikings 27-Green Bay 20 expression.



Station & Branch Managers: Want your help written up in "Scenes"? Call the Editor at 725-7277, and inquire about the Roving Reporter Service.

nor Somalia. It is not even the bloodied ground of the horrible human-rights catastrophes the United States has chosen to overlook.

Bosnia is a place where only United States leadership can find a peace and hope to keep it. And that is flat impossible without the force of arms and the risk of American life.

#### TO THE POINT

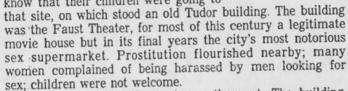
# Neighborhood a treat with Faust horror gone

At a spot in St. Paul where once there was depravity, on Halloween night there was delight. On land where once a hellish blight sucked life from the community, now there is a cradle of new life.

2000

To be at the southwest corner of University Avenue and Dale Street in St. Paul's Aurora-St. Anthony neighborhood Tuesday night for a community Halloween party was to experience a remarkable transformation.

Not too many years ago, parents would have been greatly alarmed to know that their children were going to



But Tuesday night, the past was the past. The building, acquired by the city in 1989, was torn down last summer. While the community bides its time looking for a permanent reuse of the site, activists and volunteers have converted the lot into an outdoor market, complete with 16 kiosks.

Tuesday night, the kiosks sheltered businesses and organizations handing out treats to more than 500 children.

"It was great," said Ron Pauline, executive director of the Aurora-St. Anthony Neighborhood Development Corporation, which teamed with the Midway Chamber of Commerce to sponsor the party. "What was so great is that we have taken a negative and turned it into a positive," Pauline added. He was one of the leaders of neighborhood protests against the Faust years back.

"As long as the building stood there, it was the Faust corner," said Martin O. Weddington, who has lived in the neighborhood since 1924. "With the building gone, our thoughts are changing. We're thinking good things."

Donations and assistance toward construction of the community market came from St. Paul Public Works; AmeriCorps volunteers from Denver; Shaw Lumber; Bailey Nursery; Cemstone; Minnesota Cement, Plasterers and Shophands Local 633; Carpenters District Council of Southern Minnesota; St. Paul Coalition for Community Development; and Western Initiatives for Neighborhood Development.

Their contributions have helped give the neighborhood a priceless gift; hope.



RONALD D. CLARK EDITORIAL PAGE EDITOR

bers on a blueprint. Our need should be addressed, not simply looked over or shrugged off.

Students, especially those of junior high age, need a safe, state ble, fun place to learn. They need a place where we can learn about computers and unravel the myster lies of the Internet, a place to sing

a place to experiment with plants flames and substances, a place

where we can learn about community service by actually doing i

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as dollar signs in a ledger or no

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#### Readers comme

About the voucher scheme if the average family — or the schools, offer substandard ed more turmoil than we have no

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#### CHARGE OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS DISCRIMINATION

I, Martin O. Weddington	
residing at 714 West Central, St. Paul	Tele. 225-6438
charge	
(name and position)	
of Town & Country Mobile Home Park	
(name of accommodation)	
whose address is 2557 Highway 61, St. Paul	Tele. 484-2161
with unlawful discriminatory practice relating to public accommodations	which I believe is
based upon RACE ( ) COLOR ( ) CREED ( ) RELIGION ( ) NATIONAL ORIGIN	(). The incident
which took place on or about August 3, 1967	is:

I called Town & Country Mobile Home Park and explained I had friends from out of town who wanted to rent a trailer lot to park their trailer overnight. The person whom I talked to said she had space available. When I said my friends were Negro, she said, we prefer not to rent to Negroes. She tried to explain the policy was due to the recent riots.

Date aug. 7, 67

Martin Moddington
Signature of Charging Party

STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS In the Matter of FRANK C. KENT, Commissioner of Human Rights, Complainant, COMPLAINT and and NOTICE OF HEARING LESTER A. DEETS, Owner of Town & Country Mobile Home Park, Respondent. TO THE ABOVE NAMED RESPONDENT: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Commissioner of Human Rights, Minnesota State Department of Human Rights, acting pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Laws 1967, Chapter 897, Sections 19 and 20, demands you to appear at a hearing on October 31, 1967, at 10:00 a.m., in the 5th Floor Conference Room, St. Paul City Hall and Court House, Ramsey County, Minnesota, to hear and to answer the allegations set forth below in order to determine whether or not an unfair discriminatory practice has occurred. You are hereby advised of your right to retain legal counsel in this proceeding. IT IS ALLEGED: That Lester A. Deets is the owner of Town & Country Mobile Home Park located at 2557 Highway 61, St. Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota. That on or about August 3, 1967, a representative of the Town & Country Mobile Home Park did refuse to rent a trailer lot to Daniel L. Lafayette of 10218 - 153rd Street, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, guest of Martin O. Weddington of 714 West Central Avenue, St. Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota, because of the race of Mr. Lafayette. III That a representative of the Department of Human Rights, telephoning the Town & Country Mobile Home Park and inquiring about renting overnight space for a trailer on August 4, 1967, was told that space was available for an overnight stay until it was mentioned that the party desiring space was

#### To the editor:

There is an interesting race for the City Council seat in St. Paul's Ward One—not that you'd know it by the coverage in the local media. Two people of color are vying to represent the multi-ethnic community and provide reflective leadership in the halls of power. One of the candidates seeking to represent our community is Roy Garza, a person of commitment, experience and capacity.

A number of the African-American residents in Ward One are supporting the candidacy of Roy Garza. We support Roy Garza because we appreciate and identify with his positions on issues-positions he arrived at through consultation with a wide cross-section of residents in the ward, not through smoke and mirrors, predetermination, or mimicking others who have attempted to be popular, rather than correct.

Roy Garza declared his candidacy early, he's asked for, and worked hard to earn our trust and confidence. He's done his homework, touched all the bases and he's demonstrated that he is good at both listening and follow-through. We would be hard pressed to ask for more from an elected official—foolish to settle for less.

We ask that you join with us in giving full consideration and support to the candidacy of Roy Garza, our neighbor and our brother. He's run a clean and positive campaign because that is the future he is promoting, the type of community and family he is building and contributing to. Those of us who support Roy Garza are working to get him elected, not running against anyone. not promoting division or polarity.

Join with us and have something to work for, a future of self-determination worth building and contributing to, for ourselves and for generations yet unborn. Yours in service to our community.

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# Community Matters

#### for involved Saint Paul citizens

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#### Defining a Neighborhood Development **Strategy**

On August 1, at University and Dale in Saint Paul, a group of joyful mourners gathered to bid a happy farewell to an unwelcome neighbor. The community members buried an actual casket as a symbol of the torn-down Faust Theater — the site of pornographic entertainment and once a magnet for prostitution, drug dealing, and other crime. *Continued on page 2.* 

By David Hennessey

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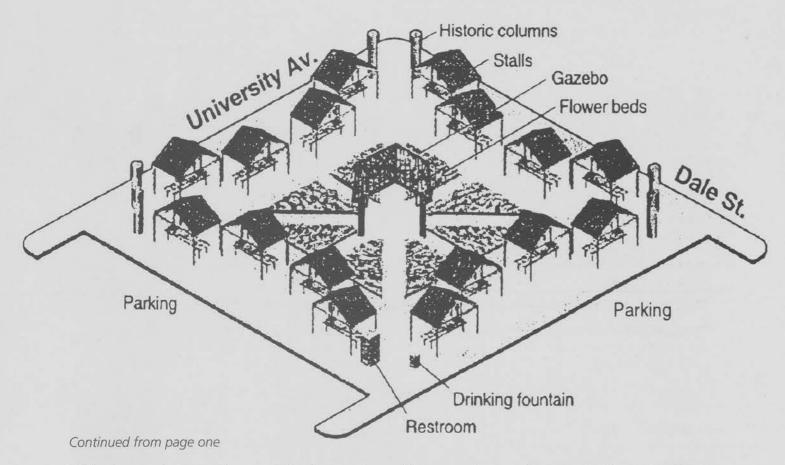
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#### For the residents of the neighborhood, the symbolic funeral changed a former crime site into a friendly gathering place. But it also did more.



With the mock funeral over at this busy intersection, wooden posts now rise from the empty lot's sandy soil. They will soon become 16 roofed vendor stalls in an open-air urban market around a central gazebo and flower beds. By next spring, parking spaces, a drinking fountain and rest room facilities will invite passers-by to sample crafts, fresh produce, and performances in a multi-ethnic setting.

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It signaled an important change in their community development strategy.

# strate why it's critical

Almost everybody wants to improve his or her neighborhood. To reach any given improvement goal, a neighborhood can follow a number of paths or strategies. But no community can follow every path available. In an era of scarce resources, you must choose, and choose very carefully.

To find out how neighborhoods choose good strategies, Community Matters turned to eight people experienced in Saint Paul community development. In their comments we found similar ideas on developing sound strategies for community development. We also gathered examples of successful strategies.

"To me, strategic neighborhood development is recognizing that even in the best of cases you're only going to be able to make a drop in the bucket," said Mike Temali, Executive Director of the Neighborhood Development Center in Saint Paul. "So you want to be very strategic about what that drop is and where it lands." Continued next page.

# a North End strategy destination retailing

Until 1990 Mike Temali directed North End Area Revitalization (NEAR) on Rice Street in Saint Paul. NEAR's best-known project was the North End Center. In the late '80s the project brought 14,600 square feet of new commercial space to Rice Street. What was the strategy behind this success?

NEAR started by examining the neighborhood's existing businesses. It found some that were failing, but it also found some that were doing well - such as North End Machine, Mama's Pizza and the Ritter School of Beauty.

Then they asked: What do these successful businesses have in common?

"A couple of things: destination retailing and solid management," Temali said. (Destination retailing requires the customer to make a planned trip to a specific store. Typically, it draws from a wider area than the immediate neighborhood.)

That analysis of what worked led to their overall strategy: "We attempted to cluster more destination retailing and improve management skills."

In addition, they "tried to change people's psychology about the avenue through several little successes," according to Temali. "New signs, new awnings, new windows. We painted. We planted. You try to change the psychology, and that starts to bring investment."

The result: their big success story, the North End Center.





# strategy what it is not

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Let's start by noting that strategic development:

- is **not** recreating a good strategy from another neighborhood.
- is **not** recreating a good strategy from the past.

Said Temali: "Strategic community development does not mean making Rice Street or Dale Street into Grand Avenue because that's not in the character of the neighborhood and incomes just can't support it."

"It also doesn't mean the other most common thing everybody wants — a return to the way it used to be. You can't return."

Why? The national and international economies are different from what they were 20 or 30 years ago. Some symptoms of this are the shift to computers, the decline of corporations and manufacturing, the "downsizing" of corporations and the changing face of the workforce. A neighborhood cannot fight such large economic forces affecting its community life. It has to recognize and use those forces to find its own niche and shape its own destiny.

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# a Dayton's Bluff strategy market your history

The black two-pocket folder immediately draws attention. Open it up, and find a real estate agent's dream; a tasteful, color-coordinated housing promotion of an entire neighborhood — all around the theme of historic preservation.

A sample of the folder contents: a 32-page driving tour of historic houses, a list of 50 vacant properties for sale, a coloring book of neighborhood historic architectural styles, — even a miniature fly-swatter in the shape of a house. (The imprinted slogan reads "Neighborhood Pest Control — Dayton's Bluff Block Clubs.")

As if that weren't enough, the neighborhood also markets its historic niche with ads in newspapers, on billboards and buses, and once on an airplane banner streaming above the Taste of Minnesota.

About four years ago, Susan Omoto, Executive Director of Dayton's Bluff Center for Civic Life, talked with a group of neighbors. They wanted to protect the investments they had made

in their homes but weren't sure how. So they researched other low-income

neighborhoods throughout the country. "And the research said what seems to work is historic preservation," Omoto said.

"It works in low-income neighborhoods such as the Springfield neighborhood in Jacksonville, Florida. They did affordable housing and preservation at the same time." Here, she admits, the idea has been tougher to sell because "people don't think preservation is affordable. But it is."

And, she said, the strategy has succeeded. "Since the historic preservation district took effect two years ago, more building permits have been issued here than ever before."





# strategy how to develop a good one

Several people we interviewed outlined the steps leading to the best community development strategies. Different neighborhoods may go about this in different ways. Some may have a formal, analytical process; others, an informal, intuitive one.

But we found agreement that developing a sound strategy requires these four steps:

- Bring all the stakeholders to the
- Analyze what's already working and not working.

- Set long-term goals based on common vision.
- · Divide the work.

#### Step one: bring all the stakeholders to the table.

"My theme is partnering, partnering, partnering," said Anita Duckor, Director of Community and Economic Development for Northern States Power Company (NSP). "You need all the stakeholders at the table, including the private sector, the non-profits, the public sector and citizens."

And, she said, just assembling the stakeholders is not enough. They must also try to understand their relationships to each other and their respective

Jan Morlock, Executive Director of the East Side Neighborhood Development Company (ESNDC), voiced similar ideas. "What makes community development strategic is involving as broad a base as you can for planning. The

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## an East Side strategy block by block

In the late 80s, the East Side Neighborhood Development Company received about \$2 million from the state's Urban Revitalization Action Program (URAP).

"We had done all we could with the URAP money to do concentrated work in a 10-block area," said Jan Morlock of ESNDC. "But we didn't have those resources anymore. So we had to ask ourselves: given reduced resources, how do we have the same kind of concentrated impact again?"

"Well, we needed smaller geography and more voluntary activity. But with smaller geography how do you keep from just doing a dab here and there without really making a difference?"

These questions led them to a strategy. "Our answer was to find small areas where there were at least two or three things that we could do to make a difference." And the areas they chose had to have active block clubs with the energy and organization to get things done.

The result is a workable "block-byblock renewal strategy" focused on small areas in the neighborhood.



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more diverse the points of view you have, the better your chance of finding the community reality."

This step may mean making peace with The reason, he said, is that if it's alformer rival organizations. "To some degree you use your strategy to mend fences with other neighborhood groups," said Beth Randall, Executive Director, Hamline-Midway Area Rehabilitation Corporation (HMARC).

#### Step two: analyze what's already working and not working.

NEAR's success illustrates this element best. "One of the best ways to ap-

proach strategic planning is to look at what's working right now," Temali

ready working "then it's working in the non-subsidized, non-messed-with private sector." And that's where a neighborhood is likely to get the biggest bang for its buck.

"So you have to analyze it. Why do those things work in the private sector? And, conversely, why don't the other things work?"

The answers to those questions can give you clues on where to start.

#### Step three: set longterm goals based on common vision.

In an effective community strategy, goals are based on the mutual interest of all the players involved. "A strategic plan needs a common vision," said Duckor of NSP.

Pat Donovan, Senior Vice President and Twin Cities Regional Manager for Norwest Bank, remembered when this point was brought home in a community meeting on the East Side.

A few years ago, Norwest Bank held a series of community meetings to find how they could better serve the East

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#### an Aurora-St. Anthony strategy a change in strategy

Ron Pauline started the Aurora-St. Anthony Area Block Clubs in 1980 after his house was burglarized.

Soon, a major focus of the group was the Faust Theater.

They set up watches on the corner, quietly asking prostitutes to leave and recording license numbers of those who seemed to be "johns." They worked with attorneys and followed court cases of people arrested on the corner. The strategy worked for a time. Authorities and foundations took notice.

"In order to get their money you have to talk about all the bad things," said Pauline. "But when you talk about the bad things, you work against the confidence of people who live here. Their pride is diminished."



So this year, the block clubs decided to change their strategy. They won't ignore the problems, but now they refuse to dwell on them. They emphasize the positive aspects of the area instead. And unlike 15 years ago, they no longer look to the system to change their lives.

They've even changed their name. No longer a block club organization, they are now the "Aurora-St. Anthony Development Corporation." The focus has changed from watching blocks to developing them.

"We have become totally proactive, no longer reactive," Pauline said. "What I've learned I'll tell everybody: everything that happens in your neighborhood is your own responsibility." information call (612) 644-8804

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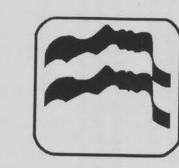
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#### Edward McDonald - Organizational Development and Advocacy

Mr. McDonald has a bachelor degree in Social Development from the University of Minnesota, Duluth and a Minnesota Legal Assistant Post Bactoriate degree. His professional accomplishments include: Executive Director with Milwaukee United for Better Housing, Executive Director with Harambee Ombudsman Project, Community Relations Officer with Norwest Bank Wisconsin, and Lead Community Organizer with ESHAC, Inc. in Milwaukee. He also holds certificates in Community Organizing from Midwest Academy in Chicago, IL, the National Training Information, WestLaw System Certification and Crime Prevention Practitioner.

Mr. McDonald has provided consulting services for Frogtown Action Alliance for two years as well as for Milwaukee Inner City Congregations Allied for Hope (MICAH) and Lincoln Neighborhood Center (LNC) in Kenosha, WI. He provides training in organizational development, fundraising, and community organizing and advocacy.

#### Shanon J. Chapman - Vice President of Grants and Program

Ms. Chapman has served as Vice President of Grants and Program for the Saint Paul Foundation. Prior to this appointment, she served as a Program Officer for the McKnight Foundation where she specialized in neighborhood, community and regional economic development. Previous positions included Manager of the Minnesota Women's Fund of the Minneapolis Foundation and systems engineer and marketing representative with the IBM Corporation.

Ms. Chapman is a member of the advisory council of the Center for Nonprofit Management at the University of St. Thomas and is adjunct faculty in the University's graduate school of business. Her educational accomplishments include a bachelor of Science degree from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois, and a master's degree in Business Administration from St. Thomas.

Ms. Chapman's volunteer experience includes: boards of directors of Sabathani Community Center, Sounds of Blackness, Inc. Survival Skills Institute, Phillips T.L.C., and Minneapolis Television Network. She is the immediate past director of the midwest region of Delta Sigma Theta, Sorority, Inc. an international public service sorority with a membership of over 200,000 predominately African American women among 800 chapters worldwide.

#### Pat Finnegan - Principal Break Through Consulting

Ms. Finnegan has served as the Principal of Break Through Consulting, a Minneapolis-based company, specializing in leadership development and team effectiveness. She has over fifteen years of consulting experience in the areas of organization development, leadership development and taught numerous courses on management development. Her most recent position was as Manager of Leadership Development for American Express Financial Advisors.

Ms. Finnegan holds a master's degree in Learning and Human Development Technology from St. Thomas. She is the current co-president of the American Society for Training and Development (ASTD) Southern Minnesota Chapter, past president of Human Resource Professionals of Minnesota, and past vice president/operations for Twin Cities Personnel Association.

#### Samuel H. Grant III - Community Development Coordinator

Mr. Grant is currently working for Prevention Alliance a non-profit agency in the areas of community organizing, strategic planning with emphasis in youth development, fundraising and management. He organized a coalition of youth serving organizations in an effort to establish a drug free zone. Prior to this position he served on the Grants Committee of the Headwaters Fund in Minneapolis, member of Capacity Building Committee.

Mr. Grant holds a bachelor degree with majors in Biology, Philosophy and Environmental Studies from Macalester College and a master's degree in Community Economic Development from New Hampshire College in Manchester, New Hampshire. He is a founder and board member of the Organizing Apprenticeship Project.

He has teaching and planning experience, his most current accomplishments include: development of a Teen Center, an Environmental Business incubator and a Community Development Credit Union. He also served as Co-facilitator in community organizing and development for Americorps in Rhode Island, Florida and Colorado, strategic planning training with youth leaders, community organizations and parents involved in Phillips Agencies Initiatives for Youth in Minneapolis. Mr. Grant has taught many courses in community organizing and his presently teaching race and ethnicity and contemporary perspectives on African-American community at Metropolitant State University in the department of Sociology/ Professional and Community Studies.

Side. Among other things, they announced they were making it easier for low-income residents to obtain mortgages. Specifically, they reduced the minimum down payment from 20 percent to only five percent.

Then, at one meeting, a resident stood up to complain: "I don't think it's fair that we have to put five percent down."

Although he didn't say so, Donovan's first thought was: Good grief, what do you want?

But another resident did speak up: "If you don't want the five percent deal. I'll take it," he said. "I don't want these bank people to stay here because it's philanthropic. I want them to do so much business here that it's painful for them to leave."

In other words: the most effective long-term goals do not come from altruism, but from the mutual interest of the stakeholders.

#### Step four: divide the work.

Though this step seems relatively simple, it's important to stay focused on the partnership that formed to create the strategy in the first place. As NSP's Duckor said: "The times are changing. Interdependence is critical for future success."

"You need to ask: 'What can we do ourselves? What parts will others do?"" said ESNDC's Morlock. "You start putting the pieces together."

### strate the characteristics of success

you need to map the best strategy to the psychology of the whole area. reach them. There's no one way to go about it. But a good community development strategy will likely have several of these characteristics:

- Recognize and respect economic trends. As Temali noted, no neighborhood can buck the changes taking place in the world and national economies. Don't fight them; work within them. The North End's destination marketing strategy is a case in
- Play off a neighborhood's unique strengths. Whatever makes your neighborhood unique is an asset. Find a way to use it. Mention Saint Paul's West Side to most people in the Twin Cities and they'll likely think of the Cinco de Mayo festival. The neighborhood uses its strong Hispanic heritage as a selling point. That's good strategy.
- · Have high visibility. The more visible the change, the more likely you'll change people's perceptions. In Hamline Midway, HMARC provides money to some new home buyers for exterior repairs. Site renewal where the Faust once stood - a corner where over 44,000 vehicles pass

Once you have your long-term goals, by every day — will completely change

- Create spin-off benefits. This often goes hand in hand with being highly visible. For instance, visible repairs to the worst-looking house on the block can inspire neighbors to spruce up their own.
- Focus resources on a market niche. "You have to figure out what, in today's market and into the future, is a realistic new mix and image for your community," Temali said. "It's not: 'whatever business we can bring here, we're going to bring here.' That's not strategic."
- Mobilize the community. A good strategy gets many people involved. The North End used many small successes to mobilize people. The East Side's block-by-block strategy harnesses the energy of its most active block clubs.
- Produce a sense of community pride and ownership. The community needs to take pride in the project as their accomplishment. This doesn't mean people outside the community can't take part. But the immediate community needs to feel it was the primary moving force.

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# strategy perserverance and predictability

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By definition, long-term goals take a long time to reach.

after the neighbors first took action. The North End Center was built after a string of over 100 "small successes." The East Side still pursues its strategies one block at a time.

investors back to an area where the private marketplace has broken down.

David Van Landschoot is owner and president of Justin Properties, a respected private developer in metro area Landschoot said. Private investors usuneighborhoods. In July, he told a City Council committee that in some areas of Saint Paul the private marketplace just can't attract private investors at this more if they know they can predict, or time. In those places, we need to support those with the perseverance to

turn things around: non-profit community development corporations (CDCs).

The Faust is now gone, nearly 15 years In urban development, he said, "community development corporations are the right direction to go. We foster that, and I'm a proponent of it."

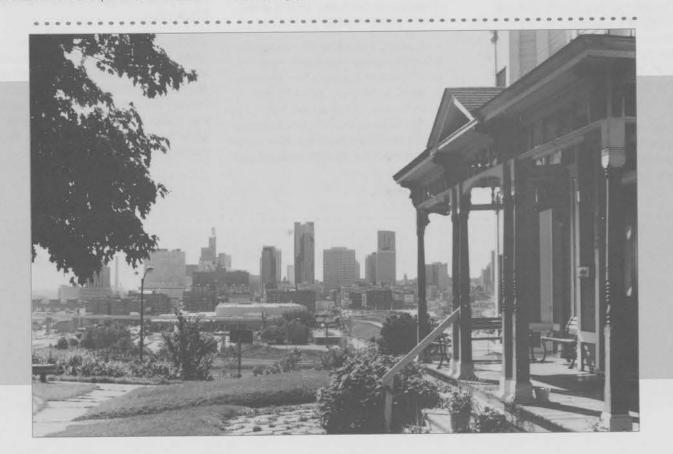
However, he said, to persevere the CDCs need "predictability." They need Perseverance is key to attracting private to know — with more confidence than they have now — that money will be available over the long-haul to use strategically in attracting private investment.

> "We have a predictability need," Van ally go only where they can reasonably predict a decent economic return. In the same way, CDCs will be able to do count on, having the tools they need to do their jobs.

This is where the city, private sector and foundations can help: making sure the CDCs have the money to use in carefully designed strategies. And these need to be dedicated funds, not contingency funds.

Then the CDCs — who have the expertise and perseverance - must accept the responsibility to use those funds strategically for maximum economic return to the community.

As Van Landschoot said in conclusion: "We need to say to the CDCs, 'We have faith in you. We will allot you so much money to go forward and accomplish your goals. We will judge you on what you accomplish, but not look over your shoulder every step of the way."



#### Work in Progress

#### Saint Paul Neighborhood News

#### Saint Paul Community Development Task Force Starts Up

by Larry Soderholm, Planning and Economic Development

A task force on community development in Saint Paul began meeting at the end of August. The 37 members represent neighborhood groups, business, schools, nonprofit organizations, minority groups, and government agencies. They were appointed by Mayor Coleman after consultation with the co-sponsoring businesses, foundations, and nonprofit organizations. The task force is co-chaired by Denise Harris of the Greater Frogtown Community Development Corporation and Patrick Donovan of Norwest Banks.

Much of the actual work is being done in five subcommittees: Child care, chaired by Carol Rohde of Resources for Child Caring; Education, chaired by Paul Williams of the Minneapolis Foundation (recently of the Saint Paul Foundation); Housing, chaired by Paul Fate of LISC; Safety,

chaired by Lee Pao Xiong of the Asian Pacific Council; and Transportation, chaired by Anne Briseno of the Riverview Economic Development Association.

Mayor Coleman told the task force that their charge is to create a model for community development that builds partnerships for the future to strengthen the city's economy, reduce poverty, and support a high quality of life in neighborhoods throughout the city. In keeping with the partnership strategy, staff time is being contributed to the task force by the Chamber of Commerce, the school district, Ramsey County, Metropolitan Council, Wilder Foundation, and the City.

The task force will seek public input on Saturday, October 7, 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Saint Paul Central High School. There will be break-out dis-

cussion groups for the public on each of the subcommittee's topics. Citizens will be able to participate in two different discussion groups during the morning. The purpose of the forum is to explore what lessons can be learned from the existing systems for child care, education, housing, public safety and transportation and how each contributes to our sense of community.

The timeline of the task force calls for the development of recommendations before the end of 1995. Another round of public input will take place when preliminary recommendations are drafted.

If you would like more information about the Community Development Task Force, please call Tony Schertler at 266-8631 or Larry Soderholm at 266-6575.

#### **Project Common Ground:**

#### A Joint Effort of Saint Paul Schools, Stillwater Schools, the Wilder Foundation

By Judy Sharken Simon, Wilder Foundation

Project Common Ground was designed as a way to jointly increase student achievement and promote hope among students of varied backgrounds. Over the last nine months parents, teachers, administrators, students and agency leadership have explored how students from suburbs and the city might learn together in a forest setting.

Project Common Ground's mission is to: Develop responsible citizen/leaders; Nurture inner strengths and individual competencies; Stimulate academic achievement; Learn about ourselves, our values, and the values of cultures

other than our own; Affirm our common purpose within a pluralistic community.

Utilizing the unique environments of Wilder Forest, Stillwater and Saint Paul students will come together at a Common Ground (such as Wilder Forest) for a series of focused learning sessions integrated closely with other academic goals and activities at the school setting. Project Common Ground will engage students in learning and practicing leadership skills in a broad range of environments - both natural and social.

With the financial backing of the MN Department of Education, Project

Common Ground officially kicked off in August 1995.

Eight classrooms have been selected to participate in the Project's Prototype Year 1:

Grade 3 at Highland Elementary, St. Paul, Lake Elmo Elementary, Stillwater, Oak Park Elementary, Stillwater

Grade 8 at Highland Park Junior High, Saint Paul, Stillwater Junior High, Stillwater

This promises to be an exciting new venture for all three partners as well as the students and families participating. For more information about the Project contact, Judy Sharken Simon, 642-2025.

#### Work in Progress

#### Saint Paul Neighborhood News, continued

#### "Family Support **Project" Supports Families**

Preventing child abuse and neglect is the focus of the collaborative Family Support Project funded last year by the McKnight Foundation. This milliondollar research project is being carried out by the McKnight Foundation. Ramsey County Human Services and Wilder Research Center. It is the first time prevention and intervention have been documented for a two-year period.

Prevention with families happens before abuse or neglect occurs, with social workers trying to involve families in designing solutions to the stress factors in their lives. Through this project, 50 Ramsey County social service agencies identify families with young children under the age of 5 who might be at risk of child abuse.

The identified families make the choice to participate in this project. Staff meet with the family to identify their needs and strengths. For more information call Jane Lawrenz at 266-4469.

#### Get Involved in the Saint Paul **Enterprise** Community

by Joseph Madernach

Last year a new process for neighborhood renewal began in Saint Paul. Its goal was to bring jobs and economic opportunity to those areas facing the most serious challenges. In December of 1994, a significant step was taken to further this goal: the City of Saint Paul was designated an Enterprise Community by the federal government in the Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community program.

Saint Paul was one of nearly 100 applications selected to receive designation

because of its vision for the future, the work, become a positive role model for innovative nature of the programs proposed for the Enterprise Community, and the strength of the strategic plan.

With designation comes a \$3 million Social Service Block Grant to be spent within the Enterprise Community. In addition, Saint Paul will receive technical assistance and competitive preference when applying for other specific federal programs because of its Enterprise Community status.

A governing board will soon be named to run the day-to-day activities of the Enterprise Community. Comprised of local civic and business leaders, the board will review Enterprise Community spending proposals and make recommendations to the Mayor and the City Council.

To find out how you can become involved in this process, please call the Saint Paul Department of Planning and Economic Development at 266-6560.

#### **Future Force Applications** Wanted

Future Force is currently accepting applications from young men and women ages 18 & up who are willing to make a commitment to serve the Saint Paul community in the areas of education, public safety, human needs and envi-

Future Force is geared toward those who are currently out of school and looking for a new opportunity. Each Future Force participant is a member of a team assigned to provide service within the four major areas. A 1,700 hour commitment during the year-long service fulfills the education award reauirement.

Team members will gain immeasurable life skills, enhance the quality of life in Saint Paul, learn the value of team

others, develop leadership skills, explore future job opportunities, earn a living allowance of \$650 per month, and earn an award to help pay for higher education. Applications will be taken until positions are filled. For more information call 641-8748.

#### Charter School Approved

ACORN dual language Community Academy, a community-based charter school, will open in fall of 1996. The school will teach children in English, Hmong and Spanish.

A charter school is a public school that is free from the control of the central school board. Parents and teachers at the school have complete control, and are able to try out new and innovative ideas in education. There is no tuition charged to attend a charter school.

ACORN members began working on the idea for the charter school because parents were frustrated that low and moderate income families were often left out of the educational process. If you are interested in becoming an ACORN member, want to help with the school, or know a teacher who might be interested, call 642-9639

#### **CRA Law at Risk**

The House Banking Committee in Congress has passed "Rescind the Community Reinvestment Act" (CRA) legislation that would end the incentive to banks to lend to low and moderate income buyers. The CRA is a federal law that requires banks to lend to the entire community, regardless of race, income. or gender. ACORN members are opposing the rescinding of this law all over the country. For more information on how to get involved, call 642-9639

#### • Bulletin Board •

#### **Westminster Forum Announces Fall Dates**

Spiritual Approach to Cultural Conflict - Rajmohan Gandhi, grandson of Mahatma Gandhi, has an international reputation as a spiritual leader. An author and journalist of depth and substance, Ghandi is a politician of courage and integrity. Thursday, October 5.

The UN: After 50 years, What Have We Learned - Elliot Richardson, former Attorney General of the U.S., has a distinguished public service ca-« reer. He has served since 1989 as special Representative of the President in the Philippines. Date: Thursday, November 9.

How Free is Our Press? the Truth About Censorship - Jean Kilbourne, an internationally known media critic. lecturer and writer will discuss this

topic, with expert knowledge, insight and humor. Kilbourne brings her audiences to see that although ads may seem harmless and silly they add up to a powerful form of cultural conditioning. Date: Thursday, December 7.

Forums start at noon and are free to the public. Lecture location is 83 South 12th Street, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Minneapolis. For more information call 332-3421.

#### Parenting Symposium: "Families in Community"

Dr. James P. Comer, M. D., author of 'Maggie's American Dream' and 'School Power', will be giving a lecture for parents on preparing families for a global community on Tuesday, November 14, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Basilica of St. Mary, Hennepin at 16th, downtown Minneapolis. Fee: \$5.00. There will be a workshop for educators and other professionals featuring Comer, Eleanor Lynch, Ph.D., and Josepha Campinha-Bacote, Ph.D., R.N., C.S., C.T.N. focused on cultural competence in schools and communities on Wednesday, November 15, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Location: Sheraton Park Place, St. Louis Park, Fee: \$75.00. This event is co-sponsored by St. David's School for Child & Family Services and Pillsbury Neighborhood Services with participation by over 20 other community organization including the Saint Paul School District, St. Paul/Ramsey County Children's Initiative and Wilder Foundation. For more information or to register, call 939-0396 and ask for extension 500.

#### Workshops

#### Resources and Counseling for the Arts

Fundraising Smorgasbord - Friday, September 29, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Location: Minneapolis Hilton, 1001 Marquette Ave., Minneapolis. Cosponsored by the Minneapolis Orchestra. Fee: \$25.

To request a full schedule of fall guarter management and career planning workshops for artists and organizations, or to register for RCA workshops, call 292-4381.

#### **University of** St. Thomas

**Board Orientation Basics - New** board members can quickly receive an overview of the traditional roles of the board. Date: Saturday, October 7, 8:30 a.m. to noon, at the University of St. Thomas Minneapolis Campus. Fee \$75. For more information call 962-4300.

#### Wilder Foundation

Support Group Facilitation - Second Tuesday of every month 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Wilder Center beginning October 10 and ending May 14, 1996. Fee: \$20 for nonprofit, public or private organizations, \$10 for unreimbursed staff and volunteers from Saint Paul grassroots groups.

Ten Steps to a Learning Organization - with Bernard L. Saunders. Date: Tuesday and Wednesday, November 20-21, 1995 at the Earle Brown Center, University of Minnesota, Saint Paul Campus, 1890 Buford Avenue. Fee: \$190 for nonprofit, public or private organizations, \$100 for unreimbursed staff and volunteers from Saint Paul grassroots groups

Tuition includes the book, Ten Steps to a Learning Organization, by Peter Kline and Bernard L. Saunders. For information call 659-6030.

This powerful workshop, led by Saunders, will help you and your group build learning into your "system," and thereby develop creative, workable solutions for whatever challenges you face in your work group, organization or neighborhood committee.

#### Minnesota Nonprofit **Assistance Fund**

Framing the Fundamentals - A series of workshops and labs provide practical, hands-on training in basic financial concepts and techniques for small and mid-sized nonprofits. Date: October 3, 17, and 24 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at 2700 University Ave W. For more information call 647-0013

#### Bulletin Board

#### Minnesota Council on Foundations

Grantsmanship for Beginners - Learn the basics of grantwriting. Date: Tuesday,. September 26 8:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Earle Brown Continuing Education Center. For more information call 338-1989.

#### Urban Eco-system Forum

Award-winning urban planner Randall Arendt will speak for The Landmark Series public affairs forum in Saint Paul's Landmark Center on Wednesday, October 4, 1995. The program, entitled "Conserving Open Space & Farmland through Creative Development Design," is sponsored by the Land Stewardship Project and Minnesota Landmarks. The event is free and

open to the public and takes place from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Landmark Center's Weyerhaeuser Auditorium.

Minnesota Landmarks and the Land Stewardship Project recognize that October 4 is Yom Kippur, and tapes will be available on loan after the program for those who are unable to attend. For further information, call Minnesota Landmarks at 292-3285 or The Land Stewardship Project at 653-0618.

#### Violence: What Can A Person Do? -

A musical by Dick Wilson and DeAnn Allison explores the pain, anger, fear and resentment inherent in violence and ends with hopeful resolution. Dates: Thursday, September 28 through Saturday, September 30 at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, October 1 at 2:00 p.m.; Thursday, October 5 through Saturday, October 7 at 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, October 8 at 2:00 p.m. at the Anne Simley Theatre, Hamline University, North Snelling and Hewitt (south and east of the State Fairgrounds). Cost: \$15. For more information call 641-2032.

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Our aim is to increase understanding about issues affecting the vitality of Saint Paul; to report on resources available to formal and informal leaders throughout the city; and to build connections among those working to strengthen our communities.

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#### **Application Deadlines**

#### **Bush Fellowship**

Application deadlines for the Bush Foundation's fellowship grant are November 30, 1995, for the long program and February 28, 1996, for the short program.

#### **LIN Grant**

The Saint Paul Companies Leadership in Neighborhoods (LIN) grant deadline is May 31, 1996.

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# earing Finds Race Bias attern at Trailer Park

ROBERT FRANKLIN ipolis Tribune Staff Writer

maring examiner for the sota Department of Hu-Rights ruled Tuesday iere has been a pattern ial discrimination at a wood trailer park.

hearing was the first under the state law t discrimination in pubommodations since the ment was created July

complaint was filed by ntral Av., St. Paul. He d that Town and Coun-Jegro from Edmonton,

an at the trailer park said.

that there would be space to accommodate the 16-foot trailer of his friend, Daniel L. Lafayette.

Weddington said he told the woman he would guide his friend to the trailer park and "you'll know us because we're colored."

"OH, MY GOD, oh/no, I'm sorry, we just can't," he said the woman replied.

"I tried to explain to her that these were visitors to our country," testified Wed-M.O. Weddington, 714 dington, 49, a postal clerk.

He said the woman, whom he did not identify by name, bile Home Park, 2557 told him that white tenants 61, refused trailer space were worried about racial unrest in the Twin Cities. m.o for

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im over the telephone Mrs. Rowena N. Kaibel,

1825 S. 5th St., and Thomas J. Donaldson, 3312 Clinton Av. S., both field workers for the department, testified they called the trailer court and asked for space after the incident was reported in August.

Both said they were told space was available but were refused when they said they were Negroes.

There was no testimony from Lester A. Deets, owner of the trailer park, nor from Hazel Simons, identified by other witnesses as the woman who handled telephone reservations.

THE FINDING of discrimination was made by Minneapolis lawyer Samuel L. Scheiner, named by Human Rights Commissioner Frank C. Kent to hear the case. His finding, which the trailer park may appeal to District Court, means the owners will be told to refrain from discrimination in the future.

MITTED AS INSANE

## Dawkins puts our district first.

hen I was out door-knocking, I kept hearing two themes over and over again — drugs and housing. I made drugs and housing my two top priorities

There's no doubt who comes first with Dawkins. In his first full session as a legislator. Andy authored four new laws that meet the challenges we face in our inner-city neighborhoods. Andy listens to us, believes in our selfdetermination and works for us.

**Housing.** The Urban Homesteading Act of 1989 empowers neighborhood organizations, stops blight and crime, and turns have-not tenants into havestake homeowners.

epresentative Dawkins demonstrated an unusually strong level of commitment to improving the quality and affordability of Minnesota's housing stock." - Jim Solem, Commissioner, Minnesota Housing Finance Agency



Representative Dawkins brought students to the Capitol to tell about their encounters with drug dealers in and around the schools.

Children. Drug Free School Zones raise the stakes for criminals by increasing the penalties for those who deal or possess drugs near school grounds and public parks.

Neighborhoods. Crack House Eviction Procedures Act helps neighbors fight crack houses by allowing landlords or the county attorney to evict those suspected of drug-dealing.

Energy. The Low Income Energy Bill protects Minnesotans from utility shut-offs and funds \$50 million for conservation efforts.

ntil Dawkins got elected, the utility companies dominated the Legislature. Getting this bill passed was a minor miracle. That's why we're all Dawkins

- Marcy Shapiro, Chair, The Energy CENTS Coalition

### Dawkins sticks to ideals.

Andy does look you straight in the eye. He holds strong beliefs and sets high standards for himself. Andy cares about people and believes in their humanity, their dignity and their right to a home, a job, an education and a secure neighborhood in which to live.

#### Hardworking.

ndy works too damn hard - he's the first one in the building and often the last one to leave."

- Steve Walker, Janitor, State Office Building

#### Productive.

lot of people really like the way Dawkins runs a committee meeting. He keeps the meeting moving, sticks to the agenda, gets everybody involved, asks the right questions, builds support for his ideas and gets the results he wants."

- Diane Drentlaw, Director, Working Group on Economic Dislocation

**Accessible.** Even in non-election years, Andy door-knocks all summer and fall and speaks from his soapbox throughout his district to stay in touch with his con-

stituents. Every citizen letter and phone call gets a personal response

#### Neighborhood-based.

ndy works really hard for our neighborhoods. He always has. He always will."

- Diane Cindrich, Neighborhood Resident

**Progressive.** Andy is pro-people. He's against government intrusion into our private lives. Andy believes the war on drugs must be fought by providing loving care and meaningful career opportunities to young people lured by the instant highs and instant riches.

Andy is fighting to stop military aid to the corrupt government of El Salvador, and fought to keep the Minnesota National Guard out of

Central America. And Andy has worked for his progressive agenda on Jesse Jackson's Rainbow Coalition not just in 1988 — but also in 1984.

## Dawkins needs your support.

I know that my job isn't finished when I carry a law to passage. I follow it back to our neighborhoods to see that it works. I believe in neighbors and the power of neighborhood pride to restore our city.

> Since Drug-Free School Zones became a reality, I have been visiting schools to explain the program to children.

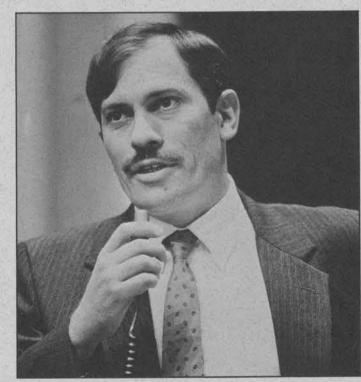
To launch the Homeownership Program, I moonlighted as an unpaid community organizer.

If Crack House Eviction Procedures isn't working out in practice, I'll re-write it next session until it works for you.

I am determined to help you make our neighborhoods the best places to live, work and raise our children.

Representative Andy Dawkins

Andy would like to hear from you. If you have questions or concerns, or if you would like to be a campaign volunteer, please call Andy at 297-9827 or 296-5158.





ew legislators, in their first full term, successfully carry major legislation all the way through to passage. Dawkins didn't do it with just one bill - he did it with

Speaker of the House Robert Vanasek





# Dawkins is working to unite our community.



Our neighborhoods — Summit-University, Frogtown, Lex-Ham, Ramsey Hill — are going through a dynamic period, which is getting people involved. And that is very good for our neighborhoods.

I welcome change, new faces and political activism. And I will always work to strengthen and unify our diverse neighborhoods by fighting for our common concerns: building affordable housing; combating drugs by providing good education, decent jobs, and positive activities for our youth; attacking racism, sexism and homophobia; promoting the ecology movement; and ensuring quality health care for all.



e need to concentrate on fighting for business development on Selby, Thomas and University Avenues; not fighting with each other. We need strong and committed leadership in this community — the kind Andy has demonstrated since he became our representative in 1987."

Ron Pauline Martin Weddington Dean Pearson Jim Shelton Pat Lindgren Trish & Steve Flannigan Manuel Melendez Yusef Mgeni



### About Andy Dawkins.



1968 Graduate Lyons High School, LaGrange, Illinois.

1972 Graduate Hamline University, BA History and Political Science.

1977 Graduate Temple University Law School.

1980 Opened Andy's Law Office "where the meter isn't always running," specializing in consumer protection, family law, personal injuries, discrimination, housing.

1984 Jesse Jackson Precinct Organizer.

1986 Attorney for P-9'ers in Austin.

1984-87 President Frogtown Community Association.

1987 Elected to Minnesota State Legislature.

1988 Jesse Jackson delegate at Democratic National Convention in Atlanta.

1988 Co-chaired Minnesota Dukakis campaign.

1989 Service Award, Summit University Teen Center.

1989 Energy CENTS Good Sense Award.

1989 West Hennepin Human Service Citizen of Distinction Award.

## **Andy's Legislative Committees.**

1988 Chair of Legislative Task force on Low-Income Energy Issues.

1989 Member of Senate — House Conference Committee on Omnibus Housing Bill.

1988 Charter member of Progressive Study Group of state legislators.

1989 Successfully led floor fight against passage of consumer loan interest rate increases.

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othing is more devastating to working families than usurious interest rates sanctioned by law. Andy Dawkins has proven himself to be an effective enemy of loan sharks, sharp operators and others who prey on people in financial distress. He fights for credit arrangements that are fair and reasonable."

— Representative Jim Rice

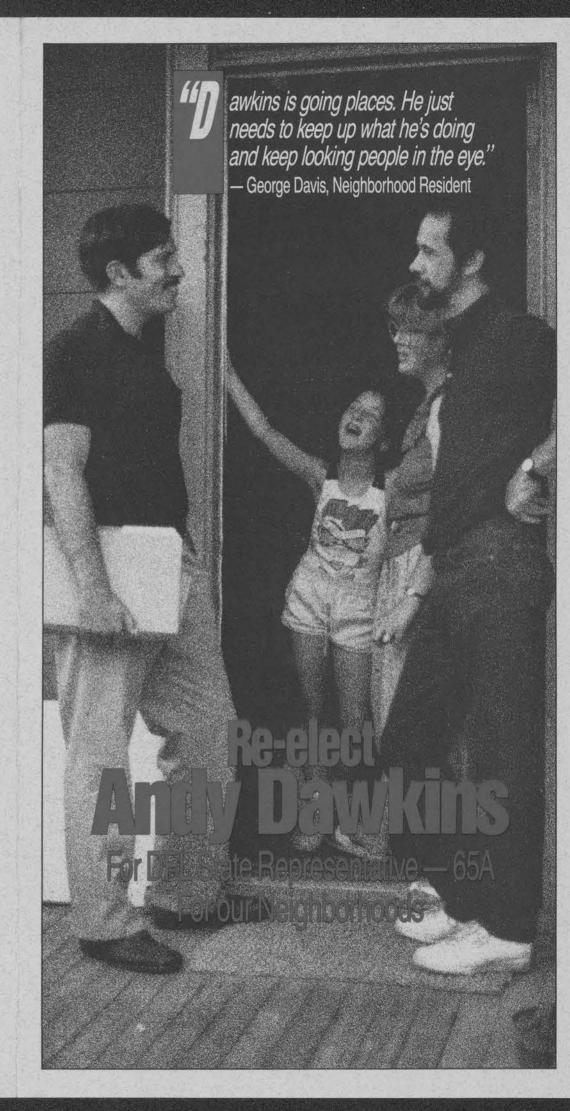
1989 Chair of Animal Population Control Study Commission.
1989-90 Economic Development Committee. Vice Chair of Community Stabilization Division.

1989-90 Financial Institutions and Housing Committee.

1989-90 Government Operations Committee.

1989-90 Regulated Industries Committee.

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# NEIGHBORHOOD EXPRESS

# DFL Endorses Andy Dawkins for State Representative from District 65A

Following a victory in the Special Primary Election on September 15th, the Senate District 65A DFL Committee met and endorsed Andy Dawkins. Dawkins will now be the DFL endorsed candidate in the General Election on Tuesday, November 3rd.

According to Richard Shields, Chair of the Senate District 65 DFL, "Andy will add strength to our entire ticket this fall. I'm sure the public will find him receptive to their concerns. He'll be another strong voice for progressive issues at the legislature."

After the endorsement meeting of the DFL Central Committee on Thursday, September 17th, Shields added, "I'm delighted that we will be represented by a person of Andy's caliber."

Nick Davis, manager of the Dawkins campaign, said, "We in the Dawkins campaign were happy that the DFL was able to unite after this intense primary campaign to endorse a candidate and win in the November election. Once again, the DFL has shown its resiliency in being able to reunite following their internal struggles." Davis added, "Andy will proudly represent the DFL in both the general election campaign and in the legislature."

Andy Dawkins will now join Senator Don Moe and Representative Sandy Pappas in carrying the DFL banner in District 65 elections. Senator Moe, following Dawkins' DFL endorsement, said, "Dawkins has demonstrated that our neighbors will have another strong advocate in the legislature. Andy raised a number of new ideas to help his neighbors and I am looking forward to working with him to get them accomplished."

Dawkins will now face his Republican opponent in the General Election on Tuesday, November 3rd.

#### Thank You to Voters

Dear Voters,

I feel extremely honored to be the DFL endorsed candidate for State Representative from District 65A. Thank you for the tremendous show of support in the Primary Election.

You have made it clear that you believe in good government, neighborhood activism, justice, peace, humanitarianism and working for change for a better future.



The DFL team for District 65: Sandy Pappas, State Representative; Andy Dawkins, candidate for State Representative; Don Moe, State Senator.

I intend to be the most progressive and hard-working legislator, both at the State Capitol and in our neighborhood, so that the people have decent and affordable housing, all young people get a good education and there is less crime, less drug abuse and less welfare dependency.

I plan to strengthen local community involvement in organizing and get everyone involved in making our neighborhoods better places to live. As a first step, I hope to encourage all my neighbors to get involved with community groups in their neighborhood. If you are in a community group, please invite me to your next meeting. If you are not in a community group, call me at 297-9827 to find out about meetings.

Again, thanks for your support in the Primary Election. Remember to vote on November 3rd, and plan to get involved with working for a change.

P.S. If you have any questions or concerns, call me at 297-9827.

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Vote Tuesday, Nov. 3rd

# Andy Dawkins ... A fresh, dynamic advocate for our neighborhoods



Andy and Jim Shelton agreeing on the legislative agenda.



Andy with a group of his supporters from all the neighborhoods.



Andy with Aurora-St. Anthony supporters. L. to r.: Ron Pauline, Andy Dawkins, Martin Weddington and Sallie Mae Weddington.



Andy with DFL Primary Candidates, Walter Eisner (1) and Mark Vaught (r). Said Eisner, "As a former candidate I know Andy's capacity for hard work and his grass roots support. These assets will help Andy be a great legislator." Said Vaught, "I am confident that Andy's knowledge, dedication and willingness to give 110% will make him a strong and effective voice for us at the Capitol.'

# DFL/Labor Endorsed for School Board

Elect Claudia SWANSON



**Teaching All** Children

Reaching All Parents

An Energetic New Voice

CLAUDIA SWANSON believes that as a working parent with two children in the Saint Paul Public Schools, as a union member, and as a member of several boards and school advisory groups, she has both the background and interest in education to be an effective School Board member. She adds to this a strong commitment to our public schools.

Swanson says, "Because I believe that children are our most precious resource, I want Saint Paul's schools to do the best job possible of educating our children."

Swanson is also endorsed by American Federation of Teachers, Women's Groups and Labor.

Re-elect Al OERTWIG



Experience

Creativity

Community & Parent Concern

Goals:

AL OERTWIG believes that major challenges still face the St. Paul School

- \* More meaningful opportunities for parents, staff & community leaders to be involved in the decision-making process must be developed.
- \* Fiscal stability must be improved.
- \* The openness and responsiveness of the Board and administrative
- decision-making processes must be monitored and improved. \* Resources must be developed to assist students who are not meeting student achievement expectations.

Oertwig is also endorsed by teachers, women's groups and labor.

Re-elect Margo FOX



"With your support, I will continue to work for more effective schools for all children, and expanded learning opportunites for people of all ages."

MARGO FOX, Board of Education Vice-Chair since 1984, has been a strong advocate for:

- \* Life-long learning and inter-generational programs \* Voluntary desegregation based on quality education
- \* Meaningful citizen participation
- \* Improveda evaluation throughout the district
- \* Teaching leadership and effective citizen involvement skills
- \* Becoming a smoke-and-tobacco-free school system

Re-Elect Margo FOX, A Leader Who Gets Results

Re-elect Bill CARLSON



Bill and Cathy Carlson have two children in the Saint Paul Public Schools, lan and Sara. Bill's mom was a former teacher and is an integral part of the family.

BILL CARLSON supports the following:

- \* Working to increase expectations for student and teacher performance.
- \* Ensuring that parents, students and teachers have a greater say in how our students are educated.
- \* Providing necessary support services so that teachers can create a positive learning experience for students.
- \* Creating an educational setting where students can develop their skills and abilities to the fullest.
- \* Continuing our commitment to special education for children with handicaps.

Vote in General Election Tuesday, November 3

## Legislative Agenda

Dawkins has shown during his Primary Election campaign that he is not afraid to tackle tough issues. He plans to continue to tackle tough issues in his General Election campaign and in the legislature, once elected. With the support of his neighbors in District 65A, Andy hopes to begin working on the following legislative agenda:

#### I. HOUSING

- 1. Create a neighborhood real-estate cooperative to encourage and support more people in owning their own homes, or fixing their current homes.
- 2. Change the Tenant Remedies Act so neighborhood organizations can go to court about substandard housing in the neighborhood when a landlord refuses to maintain the house.
- 3. Restore the renters' property tax credit.

#### II. EDUCATION

- 1. Push for legislation that results in reduced classroom sizes for early grades, results in attracting and retaining the most highly qualified teachers, and results in more stimulating curriculums for students.
- 2. Shift the financial burden for education from local property taxes to long-term, stable budgeting at the state level based on a progressive income tax.
- 3. Restore funding for education cut this last session.
- 4. Make day care more affordable and more developmentally oriented.

#### III. JOBS & NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION

- 1. Promote small businesses and economic development in our District, especially on University and Selby Avenues. This will create much needed job opportunities.
- 2. Be a strong voice for the labor movement, especially as it affects the unemployed and underemployed.

#### IV. FAIRNESS

- 1. Make catastrophic health care affordable for all.
- 2. Push for stronger affirmative action programs, pay equity, and strengthen the Minnesota Human Rights Act to eliminate all barriers to equal opportunity and equal treatment based on race, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability and class.



Andy with Frogtown supporters. L. to r.: Izzie Koslowski, Al Taylor, Andy Dawkins, Rick Meier, Werner Bicha and Shannon McCarthy-Bicha and their daughters, Bridget and Maddy.



A campaign meeting. L. to r.: Nick Davis, Roane Smothers, Pat Lindgren, Metric Giles, Andy Dawkins, Al Taylor, Shannon McCarthy Bicha and Steve Samuelson. Metric, the campaign's treasurer, said, "Andy has the education, experience, compassion and vision, but most important, he can communicate and work effectively with others towards the development of the community."

3. Reduce the property tax burden by shifting to a progressive income tax

Dawkins adds: "Some of our goals won't be accomplished in this one single legislative session, but only started. I need your support, your input, your ideas. Please call me at 297-9827 with suggestions, additions and support. Together we can make a great start."

## TASK FORCE TO FIND DALE-UNIVERSITY DEVELOPER

As a neighborhood leader hoping to be elected as State Representative, Dawkins announces the formation of a Dale and University Developer Search Task Force.

The City of St. Paul and the State of Minnesota have made commitments to redevelop University Avenue. Many neighborhood organizations, such as District 7 and 8 Community Councils, University UNITED, Catholic Charities and Aurora-St. Anthony Block Club, are working on plans for the revitalization of University Avenue, including review and development plans.

But there still exists a need to find potential developers. The Task Force will be set up to cooperate with existing community groups in finding potential developers. The Task Force will not choose the actual developer, that step in the process will be left to the community councils and the city.

Andy Dawkins recognized a need for the community to show its support and encouragement by forming a group to search for potential developers. The neighbors in Frogtown, Aurora-St. Anthony, Summit-University and Central Village are best able to show any potential developers that we are good citizens, good consumers and good employees — that the media image of us as pornographers and prostitutes is completely false.

A number of people have already expressed an interest in joining this Task Force. If you are interested, please call Andy at 297-9827.

ENDORSEMENTS: Minnesota Education Association — Ramsey County Women's Political Caucus — American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) — United Auto Workers — St. Paul Federation of Teachers — Americans for Democratic Action — Friends and Neighbors — DFL.

ANDY DAWKINS

for our neighborhoods

Prepared and paid for by the Neighbors for Dawkins Committee, Carl Barfuss & Sandi Morris
Co-Chairs, Metric Giles, Treasurer, 767 University Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55104





# Re-elect FRED NORTON STATE REPRESENTATIVE DFL ENDORSED - LABOR ENDORSED

I hereby authorize MARTIN Webbington

to be my official poll watcher and pick up election returns for me in Precinct

Fred Norton State Representative District 65A

714 W. Central Ave St. Paul, MN 55104

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We the Delegates of Ward 1, 14 Precenct resolve,

to continue to push for removeal of theaters of Poronography, Book Stores who sell pornography material and Suanas = health clubs that have been sited for use other than legitimate use, -

C. W. Allen

Martin O. Weddington 1 - 14 Precent Chair



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Fred Norton State Representative District 65A

## VOTE DFL - SEPTEMBER 14TH

This information on Fred was compiled by your friends and neighbors on the Norton Volunteer Committee, Timothy Vann, 705 Dayton Ave., Karl Grahek, 1208 Ashland Ave., Mary Texer, 1951 Sherburne Ave., Co-chairs.





# Re-elect FRED NORTON STATE REPRESENTATIVE DFL ENDORSED - LABOR ENDORSED

Dear Martin

I would appreciate it if you would pick up your precinct results before coming to the victory party at the headquarters.

Thanks again for your help.

And

## VOTE DFL - SEPTEMBER 14TH