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Midway's own Mosaic on a Stick now at Hamline Park Playground Building

By JAN WILLMS

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Over Easter weekend, the shop moved its location to 1564 Lafond Ave. and into the two-story structure built in 1938.

And on June 15, a grand opening will be held on the premises, with live music and food trucks brought in to add to the celebration.

Greene said the Hamline Park Building was constructed by the WPA and served as a parks building for the first 30 years of its life. It was then used by a series of nonprofits, but the space was greatly under-utilized.

Greene will make use of the space available, offering a variety of classes on the lower floor and a gallery, open studio and store on the first floor.

Classes will be available during daytime hours and evenings to participants of all ages, in beginning and advanced mosaic and handmade glass and sculpture.

Greene, who did her undergraduate studies at the California College of Arts and Crafts in Oak-



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land and her master's at the Maryland Institute College of Arts, has been working with mosaic for the past 20 years.

"Operating the store has been the first time I have been open to public business," Greene said, "but I have only really ever been an artist."

From the beginning, she has promoted Mosaic on a Stick, so

named because of its nearness to the State Fair corridor, as a community enterprise. One of her earlier projects was creating mosaic planters along Snelling, a joint effort with the Hamline Midway Coalition. Neighborhood residents and Hamline University students joined in to work on the planters.

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Carousel opens in May



Volunteers have restored the carousel to its 1914 appearance and installed it in its new pavilion next to the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory at Como Park in 2000.

Cafesjian's Carousel—the historic and treasured merry-go-round that has delighted riders for thirteen seasons at St. Paul's Como Park—is seeking additional volunteers for its fourteenth season, which begins May 1.

Volunteers operate the carousel, sell tickets, and sell merchandise at the gift shop. They work 3- or 4-hour shifts, two or more times each month. New volunteers are encouraged to apply individually, in pairs or as groups. Training is provided for all positions, and free parking is available. For information about volunteer opportunities, contact Cafesjian's Carousel at 651-489-4628 or volunteer@our-

faircarousel.org, or visit our website at www.ourfaircarousel.org.

Cafesjian's Carousel originally operated for 75 years at the Minnesota State Fair. It is now owned and operated by the nonprofit organization Our Fair Carousel, Inc. Volunteers have restored the carousel to its 1914 appearance and installed it in its new pavilion next to the Marjorie McNeely Conservatory at Como Park in 2000. The group pays operational expenses through ticket and gift sales.

The carousel operates Tuesdays through Sundays from May 1 through Labor Day, and weekends from Labor Day until the end of October.

Heartwood Festival is back in Hamline-Midway, bringing neighbors together



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The festival is being held to bring neighbors together.

"It's really an opportunity for people in the neighborhood to come together and showcase the highlights of the neighborhood, their talents, and the businesses," said Kristy Clemons, Heartwood Festival coordinator. "It's geared for people from the community meeting each other and learning what they have to share."

The festival celebrates community, sustainability, and art.

"It provides a welcoming event for residents of all ages and backgrounds to come together, to

develop a sense of place for local cultures, and to strengthen community bonds showing the wealth of diversity and local talents of residents," said Clemons. "Also, the festival serves as the annual meeting for the Hamline Midway Coalition. Residents vote for new board members."

The festival's focus is sustainability.

"We've partnered up with St. Paul Parks and Recreation, Hancock Recreation Center, and Eureka Recycling," said Clemons. "Eureka is helping us to make this a zero waste event."

The festival will begin with a Bike/Walk Parade at 10 a.m. at Hancock Recreation Center.

"People will be making masks and boxes for kids to wear to make little box cars for light rail," said Clemons. "They are artistic and creative ways to represent sustainable transportation."

Mask making workshops will be held every Thursday beginning May 2 at Hancock Recreation Center from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

"People will use boxes to make little cars at the same mask making workshops," said Clemons. "It's open to all ages. It's an opportunity for youth and families to come together to create art for the parade."

Musical entertainment will feature a mix of music.

There will be Greg Herges doing solo World music, Pop Wagner doing solo folk music, Afro-Brazilian drumming, Todd Menton doing solo Irish music, Happy Minnesota doing physical theater, O'Shea Irish Dance and Center for Irish Music, Urban Hillbilly Quartet, and Xibaba Brazilian Quintet.

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(L to R) Marvin Plakut (Episcopal Homes President & CEO), Saint Paul Mayor Chris Coleman, City Council Member Russ Stark, George Latimer (former Saint Paul mayor and future resident of Midway Village), Brian N. Prior (Bishop, Episcopal Church in Minnesota), Bette Ashcroft (Chair, Board of Trustees), and Paul Woxland (HUD).

Episcopal Homes, Habitat move ahead

Residents of the Iris Park neighborhood have many months of construction ahead, with a new Episcopal Homes building goes up at University and East Lynnhurst and a new Habitat for Humanity building at Fairview and University Avenues. Union park District Council and the two developers met with neighbors April 22 at Episcopal Homes to discuss the projects. While the Habitat building should be done by year's end, the Episcopal Homes building won't be complete until fall 2014.

Those may not be the only projects affecting the neighborhood in the months ahead. Midway YMCA has discussed building a shared facility with Goodwill/Easter Seals across the street, at University and Fairview Avenues.

Iris Park is a small neighborhood bounded by Interstate 94, Prior, University and Fairview avenues. Neighborhood residents are concerned that having two large projects underway, just months after Central Corridor light rail construction has finished, will be a strain on the community.

Habitat will start building its new building this spring, with a groundbreaking ceremony planned for May 15. The Zimmerman building, an office-retail structure, was torn down last year to make way for Habitat. Habitat plans a two-story office building.

Episcopal Homes will build a seven-story building on the former Porky's Drive-In property. It will involve closing East Lynnhurst Avenue for a time.

Union Park District Council has agreed to help serve as a clearinghouse for neighborhood information.

Central Corridor businesses to get help

Businesses affected by Central Corridor light rail construction will get more help. The St. Paul City Council voted April 17 to accept an \$18,959.97 grant from the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development to support work by the University Avenue Business Preparation Collaborative (U-7). U-7 is the group that has been helping small businesses during light rail construction by offering a wide variety of technical assistance.

U-7 is made up of seven community development corporations in neighborhoods along Central Corridor and is overseen by the Neighborhood Development Center. It has helped businesses with everything from façade improvements to marketing and promotions.

A loan write-off of \$487,000 was approved reluctantly April 10 by St. Paul City Council members, acting as the Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) Board. The city is getting a \$25,000 payment from Hmong American Partnership (HAP), which is acquiring the property at University and Western Avenues, HAP will use the second floor for program space and lease the restaurant back to the Nguyen family, owners of Mai Village.

The city had loaned money to the Mai Village owners to build the restaurant ten years ago, then

had renegotiated the loan as the owners had trouble repaying it. The restaurant went into foreclosure in 2010 and again in fall 2010. The restaurant has struggled during the recent recession. It also lost customers during Central Corridor light rail construction.

Planning and Economic Development (PED) Director Cecile Bedor and council members agreed that the decision isn't one they like. But the alternative would be for the property to go into foreclosure and possibly sit empty. HAP officials want to use the space either for their own programs or for programs from an affiliated group.

Beyond the \$25,000 offered, "We're not a position to get paid," Bedor said.

Bedor also said a foreclosure like this is rare for a city-financed project.

The city is the third party on the property mortgage, behind Western Bank and the Small Business Administration (SBA). The property's foreclosure redemption period ends later this month. Had the agreement not been reached, Western Bank would have taken back the building.

Both the bank and SBA agree to the plans for HAP to write down the debt and then purchase the building. The restaurant owners have a debt of about \$3.25 million. The SBA is owed \$880,000 but will take \$100,000. Western Bank is owed \$1.86 million but is taking \$1.55 million.

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City issues Sustainable St. Paul Awards for 2013

By JANE MCCLURE

Celebrating environmental stewardship, energy conservation, lake pollution prevention and even a new method of alley pavement is the goal of the Sustainable St. Paul Awards. The 2013 awards, presented April 17 by Mayor Chris Coleman and the St. Paul City Council, included representatives from area neighborhoods.

This is the seventh year for the awards, said Coleman. He called the 2013 winners an "amazing group" and added, "They make St. Paul a better place." The awards are presented as part of the city's Earth Day celebrations. Although parts of the celebration, including parks cleanup, were snowed out, the awards presentation and other community celebrations did take

place. Fourteen different awards were presented. All can be seen on the city website in the Mayor's News Room tab.

One unusual award, for city staff sustainability efforts, recognized St. Paul's Department of Public Works and its efforts to rebuild the alley behind Hamline-Midway Branch Library. The Hamline-Midway Pervious Alley Project

involved removing roughly 12,800 square feet of impervious surface and replacing it with permeable pavement. This means less storm water runoff and more water being absorbed into the earth. The project area, a mixed-use neighborhood at the corner of Snelling and Minnehaha avenues, is ideal for the permeable pavement installation. The project was also coordi-

nated with planned improvements to the Hamline Midway Library parking lot, minimizing disruptions to the neighborhood and improving cost efficiencies overall. The project involved a large amount of excavation but is expected to provide benefits for many years.

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2013 Winner of Institutional Green Building Design Award – St. Thomas, Anderson Student Center



Ramsey County and District Energy St. Paul by Sustainable St. Paul



2013 Winner of Sustainable City Staff – Department of Public Works, Hamline Midway Pervious Alley Project



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The start of spring heralds the start of a busy time for the Como Park neighborhood, and the District 10 Como Community Council.

Board Elections and Annual Meeting

On April 16th, we hosted our annual meeting and board elections. I was honored to be re-elected to a second full term as board chair, while current board members Tom Eyre and Pete Bolstad were elected to new roles as treasurer and Sub District 2 representative, respectively. Current board members Linda Hinderscheit (secretary) and Dana Saeger (at large) were also re-elected to an additional term. Board member biographies and photos are available on our website, www.district10comopark.org. There are also three vacancies on the board – if you are interested in serving, please contact us at district10@district10comopark.org.



Como Community Council Corner

JON KNOX, BOARD CHAIR OF THE DISTRICT 10 COMO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Busy schedule ahead for District 10 Como Community Council

Bike Rally

Many families already joined us on April 27th for our Bike Safety Rally, where community partners including Black Bear Crossings Café and Banquet Center, County Cycles, the Bicycle Alliance of Minnesota, and the St Paul Police Reserve joined District 10 volunteers to promote safe biking.

Neighborhood Garage Sale

Later this month, District 10 will be hosting the annual Como Park Neighborhood Garage Sale on Saturday, May 18th. Dozens of sales across the neighborhood will offer great buys and a chance to find

your own "treasures." A map of sales is available on our website.

District Land Use Plan

On Monday, May 13 at 7 p.m. at the Historic Streetcar Station, our District Plan Ad Hoc Planning Committee will be hosting a community meeting to solicit neighborhood input on transportation issues across all modes of transportation. The committee is tasked with developing a strategic land use plan for the District, which will eventually be adopted by the city council. Issues concerning parking, public transportation, biking, and walkability will get a deeper dive dur-

ing this important meeting. I hope you'll take the time to attend the meeting, learn about the process, and share your thoughts with us.

Welcoming New Administrator

I'm excited to announce that District 10 has hired Ted Blank as our new district administrator, replacing Jessica Bronk who left in March to take a position with the City of Eagan. Ted is a former board member and District 10 treasurer, so he brings a strong understanding of the workings of district councils to the position.

His background in marketing and fundraising will also support the District's future direction, including the integration of the south Como neighborhood. Ted has lived in Como Park for over 10 years, and I'm very excited to have him on board.

Recycling Bins

Finally, I'd like to close with a reminder that the District 10 office distributes free recycling bins on request to neighborhood residents. Stop by our offices in the Historic Streetcar Station (1224 Lexington Parkway North) any Sunday between noon and 4 p.m. to pick one up, or call us at 651-644-3889 to make other arrangements. We also take your used and abused bins and return them to Eureka for recycling.

Keep up to date on District 10 happenings on our website, www.district10comopark.org, by subscribing to our weekly e-Newsletter, or follow us on Facebook.

The mission of the Saint Paul Police Department is "To promote safe and healthy neighborhoods through strong, professional partnerships with those we serve in our diverse community."

The City of Saint Paul is divided into three police districts, Central, West and East Districts. The Central District includes the North End neighborhood and the Western District includes the South Como neighborhood. Each of the police districts hosts monthly police/community

News from District 6

Central District Police meetings at Rice Street Recreation Center

meetings. We encourage you to attend.

With the onslaught of twitter, Facebook, blogs and other forms of social media the face to

face meeting times have given way to sound bites. District 6 Planning Council encourages you to attend the Police/Community meetings. There really is

no substitute for having the opportunity to discuss your issues, concerns with the Commander staff who facilitates the meetings and oversee officers who patrol

your neighborhoods. This is a valuable resource that is available and we hope you take advantage of it.

The Central District Police meetings are held the second Monday of the month beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Rice Street Recreation Center, 1021 Marion Street. The West District Police/Community meetings are the third Tuesday of the month at 9:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. at 389 Hamline Avenue. If you have any suggestions for the possible special speakers at these meetings, this is the place to voice your requests!

There are numerous street projects happening in the District 6 area, from beginning work on 35E/Cayuga to a mill overlay on Gateway Drive. You can visit the District 6 Planning Council's website at www.district6stpaul.org for links to the projects or stop by the office at 171 Front Avenue for a map and contact list. The maps and contacts are also available if you email us at district6ed@dist6pc.org.

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Episcopal Homes resident celebrates milestone birthday

By JAN WILLMS

Shopping for your own groceries, doing your own housework and cooking and eating your own meals might seem like relatively common tasks, but may be a little more difficult when you are nearly 100 years old.

But Loretta Eklund, who will celebrate her 100th birthday June 3, accomplishes all of this with relative ease. With her white hair fashionably cut and her agile movements, she appears much younger than her chronological age.

Eklund has lived in the Episcopal Homes at 1830 University Avenue West for about 10 years and is an active participant in her community. She was born in Bridgewater, SD, and lived there until she was about 12. When her parents separated, she lived with a grandmother for a couple of years and then moved to St. Paul in 1928 to live with an aunt.

"I had to support myself, so I found a job doing housework and caring for children," Eklund recalled. "I guess I was a nanny."

One Sunday, a friend of hers who worked as a waitress on St. Peter St. invited Eklund to come and listen to a man who played



Loretta Eklund has lived in the Episcopal Homes in St. Paul for about 10 years and is an active participant in her community. Just about to turn 100, Eklund still shops for her own groceries and does her own housework. Above, Eklund holds a photograph of herself in earlier years. (Photo by Jan Willms)

the accordion and sang.

"I went down, and she introduced me. I fell in love with him immediately. I knew that was the man for me," Eklund said fondly. She married Alex Eklund at

19 and the couple had a son, Hilmer, when she was 20.

Their marriage lasted 45 years, until her husband died unexpectedly one day while they were having a conversation.

"He was sitting and looking out the window and told me he wanted a cup of coffee. I told him I was making some, and suddenly he was gone, while I was talking to him."

"He was a nice man and everybody liked him," Eklund remembered. "He was very gentle and fun to be with. He was a machinist at St. Paul Welding and Manufacturing Company, over by Seven Corners. He played accordion as a sideline."

She said the two of them went all over as he played, going somewhere every weekend. He also played for people in nursing

homes and hospitals. The couple built a home in Center City in 1969 and lived there eight years together before Alex's death.

Eklund remained in Center City a couple years before selling her home and moving to St. Paul. "I had an acre of land to maintain, and I couldn't do it alone," she said.

Eklund downplays her life, saying she lived very simply, being a homemaker and raising a son.

"My husband was born in Sweden, and he was very traditional. He didn't want me working outside the home," Eklund said. The two of them traveled a great deal, and she kept up the traveling after she was widowed.

"I spent my winters in Arizona and California for 25 years," Eklund said. She also

made dolls and quilts, a pastime she continues to this day. However, she said she plans to stop making dolls because she is finding the needle is too difficult to thread.

She started making ceramics in recent years.

Eklund's granddaughter and her family live in Paris. Eklund has two great grandsons, and her apartment is full of pictures of family members. She has pictures of herself as a younger woman and one picture of her parents and she and her seven siblings.

"All but two lived well into their nineties," she said. Third from youngest, she is the only one who remains.

Eklund does not attribute her longevity to anything in particular. She does eat six to seven helpings of vegetables a day. "I try to eat three that are above the ground and three that grow underground every day," she said. She also eats little red meat, dining mostly on chicken and turkey and fish.

"I don't do a lot of exercise, but I have always walked," Eklund claimed. She said she can walk two to three blocks and it means nothing to her. She also walks very gracefully and purposefully, with an ease not often found in those half her age.

She watches a couple of daytime soaps, All My Children and Bold and the Beautiful, as well as a quiz show. "I like Channel 2 as well," she said.

"I lived a normal life as a wife and housekeeper," Eklund said. "I have had a good full life and a healthy one. I live from day to day."

"I had a good married life," she said wistfully. "Forty-five years of happiness with my husband. And he played and sang for me every day of his life."



"I lived a normal life as a wife and housekeeper. I have had a good full life and a healthy one. I live from day to day."

- Loretta Eklund, Episcopal Homes resident

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German Immersion growth spurs move to St. Andrew's site

School to occupy St. Andrew's site this fall...

By JAN WILLMS

As it outgrows itself once again, the Twin Cities German Immersion School is on the move. But this time, the school is looking at a permanent home.

Started in 2005 by a group of people interested in seeing a German-language educational facility in the metro area, the school began with 48 students in grades K-1 and has reached a population of 323 students in grades K-8.

"The germ of a German Immersion School was the catalyst of the German American Institute (GAI)," said Mary-Fred Bausman-Watkins, one of the co-founders of the school. "The GAI, a German language and cultural nonprofit in St. Paul, authorizes the school to this day."

In the early 2000s, people were asking if it were possible for a German Immersion School to exist.

"Marcy Ruh, Maureen Curran and I were three who were asked to answer that question," Bausman-Watkins said. "We spent about nine months visiting schools and surveying people. The answer was a profound yes."

Bausman-Watkins, who was born in Germany and has taught English and German, said that German schools overseas are tuition-based with costs of \$20,000 per year, but companies often pay that tuition for students.

"That model does not work here, but we did have a favorable charter school environment," she said. With a start-up grant and State of Minnesota grant, the school opened in 2005 near Highway 280 and Como Ave. in St. Paul.

As the student population grew, the school moved to 1745 University Ave. in a space it shared with Avalon Charter School. But now, with another growth spurt, the school has been looking for a new location and found a space at the site of the former St. Andrew's parish in Como Park. A private company is buying the site from the Maternity of the Blessed Virgin parish, which absorbed St. Andrew in 2010. The school will rent the campus long term and oversee an extensive makeover.

Bausman-Watkins said that although the core founders had strong family or business reasons



With another growth spurt, the Twin Cities German Immersion School has been looking for a new location and found a space at the site of the former St. Andrew's parish in Como Park.

for wanting a German school, most of the families now have their children attend because it's a really good school, and the students get to learn German.

The first eighth-grade class of nine will be graduating June 2. Two awards will be given at that time, named for co-founders Bausman-Watkins and Ruh. The Mary-Fred Bausman-Watkins award will be given for the best demonstration of the school's mission of world citizenship, and the Marcy Zachmeier Ruh award will be presented for outstanding performance in the German language.

Although Ruh died from cancer last December, she had the opportunity to see the award

ahead of time. "There was a limited time to honor the co-founder in person, but her family will be at the graduation ceremony," Bausman-Watkins said.

Current school director Ann Jurewicz said the school can only anticipate more growth. "Our first graduating class has nine; next year we graduate 10; then 23 and then 30. By 2018 we expect over 500 students (in the school)."

The school currently has 25 teachers, one half-time Spanish teacher, 27 staff and 10 support staff. The school also makes use of the Amity Intern Organization, which provides native-speaking German students who come to the United States for six months to a year.

"We have 17 interns, one for each classroom," Jurewicz said. She explained that children in kindergarten through 2nd grade are taught German only; English is introduced in the third grade and taught through eighth grade; and Spanish is also taught in the middle school. "We provide three languages before the 8th grade," she said.

She said the school is moving because of its growth, but also will be able to find a more permanent setting with this move. "We can invest more in the facility and energy sustainability," she added. "We can make an effort to beautify the grounds."

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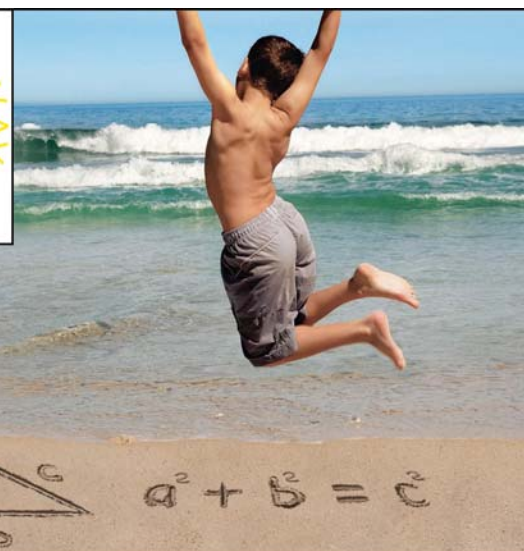
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Como Town may be adding zip line to its array of rides

By DEBORAH BROTZ

Como residents may soon be getting a bird's-eye view of Como Park as they zip across Como Town if Lancer Hospitality has its way. This summer Lancer Hospitality, which operates and manages Como Town, will be adding the Soaring Eagle zip line to its array of amusement rides.

At the Mar. 4, 2013, District 10 Land Use Committee meeting, Como Town presented their proposal for the zip line, and the Committee wrote a letter in support of the project to the St. Paul Parks Commission. Como Town is now working with St. Paul Department of Safety and Inspections on the site plan review.

After attending the International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions conference in Orlando, Fla., Glenn Baron, president of Lancer Hospitality, and Todd Kosheniana, Lancer Hospitality general manager, came up with the idea for the Soaring Eagle zip line.

"They went for a ride on it," said Jackie Northard, marketing director for Como Town and Lancer Hospitality. "It seemed like a perfect fit for Como Town. It sits two people who are strapped in and it's an easy load. You climb into the seat. The other beauty of

it is you load at the same point you return to. It's very family friendly."

The zip line goes up 85 feet above the ground and 420 feet across the length of Como Town.

"We wanted to give people a new experience and view of the park nobody else can," said Northard.

"Nowhere else can you get a bird's-eye view of Como Park and Como Zoo. It's a great opportunity and a beautiful view. Every year we try to put in a new exhibit or ride. We want families to come back year after year."

While most of the rides at Como Town seem to be geared toward children, they wanted this zip line because it has such broad appeal.

"Children of all ages can ride this as well as grandma and grandpa," said Northard. "It's very fun. The manufacturer has guidelines for weight, height, or age limit. From there, we set up guidelines at Como Town. It has to do with the safety of the guest and capability of the equipment."

The Soaring Eagle zip line is a good choice for Como Town because it's multigenerational.

"It appeals to all ages," said Northard. "People can get a bird's-eye view of Como Park, Co-



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mo Zoo, and Como Town. It's a beautiful park and a great asset." Como Town offers two differ-

ent ride package options: unlimited ride wristband or points for rides.

"We have not priced it yet, but the zip line will be an additional add on to either of these packages," said Northard.

It's important for Como Town to have a zip line because it's something different. The only other Soaring Eagle zip line in the state is in Duluth, Minn.

"It's definitely a unique attraction," said Northard. "We like to do something new and different from year to year. The amusement park industry, like most industries, changes. New rides are created. We like to stay ahead of the trend and introduce something not found at other locations so guests have a reason to come back again and again. The ride changes very time you go on it. The fall colors, the weather of the day, or the scenic overlook will change."

Northard says they're looking forward to the ride being up and operational early to mid-June.

"We hope people come out, try it, and love it," she said. "We want people to try it again and again, appreciate the excitement and thrill of the ride, and enjoy the panoramic view of the zoo and park. It will be a lot of fun."

For more information, call Como Town at 651-487-2121 or go to ComoTown.com.

German Immersion

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She has gone around the new neighborhood personally to introduce the school to the community, and she said the school is being well received.

She said the current lease ends June 30, and construction on renovating the new site begins in May. The cafeteria should be ready by Sept. 2, the first day of school. The interior should be

complete by Nov. 1.

The eighth grade class celebrated its status as the first graduating class of the German Immersion School by taking a trip to Germany in March.

Bausman-Watkins' son, Paul, said he had traveled to Germany with his family before when he was about eight, but he doesn't remember much from that trip.

"This is the first trip I can enjoy things and really remember my experiences," he said.

The student group stayed

with host families the first part of the trip.

"We took trains to different cities every day, visited museums and spent time with our host families," Paul recalled. "We got to experience what German culture is like."

The second part of the trip was spent in a youth hostel in Berlin, where students visited museums, saw shows and connected with old teachers, according to Paul.

"We spoke German all the

time when we were out and about and amongst ourselves. A lot of the host families were surprised at how fluent we were."

Paul plans to attend Central High School and then would like to study at a German university.

For his classmate Abigail Meyer, this was her first trip out of the country. Staying with the host families was the most meaningful part of the excursion for her.

"I was just blown away by the German food; it was so much

better and less expensive than here," she said.

"The people there were so friendly and nice, and we could understand everything perfectly. I really hope to go back and study in Germany."

The trip to Germany, the first graduation and the move to a permanent setting are not milestones that Bausman-Watkins can share with her co-founder Ruh. But she can take satisfaction in remembering the plans they made and what has happened.

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'This Side of Paradise' at History Theater



"This Side of Paradise" celebrates its regional premiere at History Theatre in F. Scott Fitzgerald's hometown of St. Paul. The production is directed by Ron Peluso, with music direction by Andrew Fleser, and choreography by Regina Peluso, and it features (above) Norah Long as Zelda, Bradley Beahen as F. Scott Fitzgerald, and Alan Sorenson as Dr. Cassell. The show is a new musical about the lives and works of St. Paul's original "it" couple, F. Scott and Zelda Fitzgerald. The musical, which premiered off-Broadway in 2010, is seen from the point of view of Zelda. The show will run through Sunday, May 19. For tickets call 651-292-4323.

Sunrise Banks named to list of 'Best For The World'

Sunrise Banks was named to B Corp's global list of "Best For The World" companies, for creating the most overall social and environmental impact. Sunrise Banks was among 67 companies across 20 countries from Tanzania and Afghanistan to the United States and Canada recognized by the non-profit B Lab on their annual 2013 B Corp "Best For The World" list, which honors businesses that earned a score in the top 10% of all Certified B Corporations on the B Impact Assessment, an evaluation of a company's impact on its workers, community and the environment.

Sunrise Banks – the culmination of an April 2013 merger of Franklin Bank, Park Midway Bank and University Bank – has

assets in excess of \$750 million and eight branch locations throughout the Twin Cities. In addition to being honored as a Certified B Corp, the family-owned Sunrise Banks has earned Community Development Financial Institution status for its focus on changing the way urban communities and underserved people thrive by empowering them to achieve their aspirations.

Today, Sunrise Banks is among over 700 Certified B Corporations, across 25 countries and 60 industries, unified by the common goal to redefine success in business through standards of accountability, transparency, and social and environmental performance.

Letters to the Editor

Concerned about 'Early Learning' opportunities

As a parent as well as someone who spent 20 years in the Early Childhood Education field, I have seen first hand how quality Early Learning opportunities benefit all kids and families. Unfortunately, so many Minnesota families are unable to afford these quality Early Childhood programs, and financial assistance is not always available. On-

ly 2% of Minnesota's 4-year-old children are enrolled in state-funded pre-K, compared to 28% nationally. This causes too many low-income children to enter Kindergarten without the necessary basic math and reading skills. Unfortunately, too many of these children never catch up to their classmates.

It is estimated that half of our low income children start Kindergarten each year not fully prepared to succeed. But when classrooms are filled with chil-

dren who are ready to learn, all of the children have a better chance at success. The taxpayers' burden is also lessened as we reduce the need for expensive remedial education, disruptive discipline and special education programs. High school drop out rates are reduced. Dependence on welfare is reduced. Crime is reduced. The benefits are exponential.

This is why MinneMinds (www.minneminds.com,) a statewide coalition of more than 60 education, philanthropic,

nonprofit and business organizations, is advocating for an investment of \$150 million per year to provide expanded access to quality Early Childhood programs. This amounts to a fraction of our annual cost of \$860 million when kids aren't prepared, and is the best possible way for our state make to ensure all our kids are ready for school.

We know Early Education works. We need to encourage our legislature to fully fund Early Childhood Education and put

our youngest children's needs at the top of our budget list. An investment in our youngest children is an investment in our state's future.

Governor Dayton as well as the House and senate leaders have all pledged to make new investments in Early Education. Please contact them and let them know that you want them to honor that pledge!

Kristin Pickering
Hamline-Midway

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1st Annual MMSA Flea Market in May

Maternity of Mary/St. Andrew Catholic School is hosting a sale so big, that it will be held in our school gym located at 592 Arlington Ave. W. (Arlington & Dale), on Friday May 17, 3 p.m.-8 p.m.; Saturday May 18, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sunday May 19, 9:30-1 p.m. Visit the MMSA website at www.mmsaschool.org for more details. There will be something for everyone!

Como Park Carnival May 16

The Como Park Elementary Carnival is just around the corner. Please join us on Thursday, May 16 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. for an evening of fun, food and activities. This year we are offering many free activities from our community sponsors; the St. Paul Fire Department, Minnesota History Center, Northwestern College, Augsburg College, St. Paul Police, and more. We will have a raffle, games, inflatables, free planetarium shows, book sale, and much, much more! Please come for a night of community fun! Como Park Elementary is located at 780 W. Wheelock Parkway.

Senior Housing topic of May 14 luncheon

"Senior Housing Options; Oh So Many Choices!" will be the topic at a luncheon for seniors on Tuesday, May 14 beginning 11:30 a.m. at 1514 Englewood Avenue. Bonnie Clark will present information on the spectrum from remaining in your home (including reverse mortgages) to downsizing to moving into a residence for those 55+. A free will donation is requested for the meal. There is no charge for the presentation which begins at 12:15 p.m. Call Hamline Midway Elders at 651-209-6542 to make reservations and/or request free transportation.

Nominations open for Como Tree Award

It's time to nominate your favorite neighborhood tree for a Como Tree Appreciation Award. The District 10 Environment Committee is sponsoring the awards as a way to treasure our valuable trees and promote the planting of new trees. Trees work hard for us, yet many of us take them for granted. Nominate a residential tree—big or small, old or new, yours or a neighbor's—at district10comopark.org/nominateatree.html. All trees must be located within District 10 on private property. Nominations will be accepted until May 25. Winners will be notified by late June.

No Cost Gentle Yoga offered

A six week session of chair based Gentle Yoga continues on Tuesdays through May 21 from 10 – 11 a.m. at 1514 Englewood Ave. (Hamline Church, lower level). Chair yoga focuses on range of movement, alignment, stretching, strengthening, awareness, breathing and relaxation. All movement is done while seated or standing using the chair for balance. Call Hamline Midway Elders to register at 651-209-6542.

The Family and the Breastfed Baby

The Baby Arrives: The Family and the Breastfed Baby is the topic of the meeting of the Como-Midway La Leche Group on Tuesday, June 11. All expectant and nursing mothers are invited to attend with their babies and toddlers. Call Heidi at 651-659-9527 for more information.

Zion holds Rummage Sale June 7, 8

Zion Lutheran Church Rummage Sale, 1697 Lafond Ave, at Aldine Ave. Friday and Saturday June 7th and 8th proceeds to benefit kids programs food and beverages served. Accepting donations in May. Call church 651-645-0851 for drop off time.

Westpfahl honored at Jehovah Lutheran

On June 2, Jehovah Lutheran Church and Central Lutheran School will honor Barbara Westpfahl for her 39 years of service in teaching at Central Lutheran School.

Jehovah will hold a special retirement service for Mrs. Westpfahl at 9:30 am worship service on June 2nd. Alumni of Central Lutheran School and also former Jehovah confirmants are especially invited to attend. Special refreshments will be served after the service. Jehovah is located at 1566 Thomas Avenue (Corner of Snelling and Thomas in the Midway).

Central Lutheran will host an Open House for Mrs. Westpfahl on June 2 from 3-6 p.m. at the School (775 Lexington Parkway North). Light refreshments will be served and visitors may tour the building. Cards and any other gifts for Mrs. Westpfahl are welcome. Call the church, 651-644-1421 or the school, 651-645-8649 for more information.

Central holds Summer in the City Camp

Central Lutheran School at 775 Lexington Parkway North will be

having Summer in the City Adventures Camp from June 10 to August 23.

June 10 – 14 will be Gardening Camp, June 17 – 28 will be Music Camp, July 1 – 12 will be Nature Camp, July 15 – 26 will be Cooking Camp, July 29 – August 9 will be the Great River Adventure, August 12 – 23 will be Drama Camp.

There are 5 options for signing up. Please call us at 651-645-8649 if you are interested. We'd be happy to give you a tour of our facilities or mail you our summer options.

Holy Childhood Rummage Sale May 16, 17 and 18

Holy Childhood Rummage Sale will be held on Thursday, May 16, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday, May 17, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, May 18, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (bag day) at 1435 Midway Parkway. There will be clothing, housewares, books, toys, furniture, plants and misc. items. Lots of treasures to bring home.

New park cleanup program launched

In the wake of two late-season snowstorms that forced the cancellation of the annual Citywide Park Cleanup, the Department of Parks and Recreation is announcing the launch of #CleanupStPaul, a park cleanup program encouraging volunteers to clean up parks and post photos of their efforts to Facebook or Twitter.

Participants in the #CleanupStPaul program are asked to go out and collect trash and other debris from area parks, snap photos of their full trash bags and upload the photos to Facebook or Twitter. Photos are asked to be tagged with the hashtag #CleanupStPaul and the tagged photos will be shared on the Department of Parks and Recreation social media accounts.

Trash bags for #CleanupStPaul can be picked up Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Como Office located at 1100 Hamline Ave North. Volunteers unable to pick up bags during the scheduled pickup time can contact Andy Rodriguez at 651-632-2411 to schedule an alternative time. Volunteers may leave full trash bags next to the nearest park garbage can for Park staff to pick up.

Participants who post a hashtagged photo will be entered into a drawing to win a four pack of single day admissions to any of the city-operated aquatic facilities.

For more information on #CleanupStPaul, visit www.stpaul.gov/parks or the Department of Parks and Recreation Facebook page at www.facebook.com/stpaulparks. #CleanupStPaul runs through May 10.

Speakers coming to Keystone

Upcoming Speakers at Keystone Community Services Senior Program located at Merriam Park Community Center, 2000 St. Anthony Avenue.

"Australia – Land of Contrast and Easy Access" will be presented by Robert Cuerden, photographer and traveler, on Monday, May 13, from 11 a.m.-12 noon. No charge.

"Eating for Energy" will be presented by Annalicia, a certified Health Coach from Entire Entity, on Monday, June 10 from 11 a.m. – noon. No charge.

Call Keystone Senior Program at 651-645-7424 to register for these events and to receive a copy of our current Senior Hi-Lites newsletter.

Reunion events set at Jehovah Lutheran

Jehovah Lutheran Church, observing its 90th anniversary, invites former confirmants to attend worship and cake receptions May 19 and June 2.

Those confirmed before 1970 may prefer the 10:45 a.m. service on Pentecost Sunday, May 19. That day Pastor Dennis Drews, son of a former longtime pastor at Jehovah Lutheran, will preach. Senior members will be honored, Sunday School teachers thanked and one member confirmed.

Those confirmed after 1970 may prefer the 9:30 a.m. service on Sunday, June 2. Many of these confirmants likely remember Barbara Westpfahl, who will be recognized that day on the occasion of her retirement after years teaching at Central Lutheran School. At the same service, Elizabeth Wegner will be formally installed as music teacher at the school.

For more information please call the church office at 651-644-1421 or e-mail jlcdawn@msn.com. Jehovah Lutheran is at 1566 Thomas in St. Paul.

National Senior Health and Fitness Day May 29

The 20th Annual National Senior Health & Fitness Day set for Wednesday, May 29, hosted by the St. Paul Midway YMCA. The theme for this year is Think Healthy, Eat Healthy, Act Healthy. Be Healthy!

On Wednesday, May 29, an estimated 100,000 older adults will participate in local fitness activities throughout the country as part of the 20th annual National Senior Health & Fitness Day® (NSHFD), the nation's largest health promotion event for older adults. You can take part of the festivities at the St. Paul Midway YMCA located on

1761 University Ave. The event is free and open to the public.

Activities will run from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and include from small group exercise demonstrations, blood pressure and glucose screening, balance testing, healthy snacks, flower planting, to mention a few.

Caregivers Support Group meets

Caregivers Support Group, each second Thursday from 6:30-8:00 p.m., 1514 Englewood Avenue, St Paul, MN. Sponsored by Hamline Midway Elders. This group is open to anyone caring for older adults or persons any age with special needs and will be facilitated by HME staff and trained volunteers. Free, refreshments provided. For more info or to RSVP contact Monica at monica@hmelders.org or 651-209-6542.

Volunteers needed for raking

Volunteer pairs, groups and families needed for spring raking at the homes of grateful Hamline Midway seniors. Schedule an afternoon or morning at your convenience by contacting Monica at Hamline Midway Elders at 651-209-6542 or monica@hmelders.org.

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'Age of Champions' screened at YMCA

The Midway YMCA and Healthways SilverSneakers program is hosting a free movie screening of the award-winning documentary, "Age of Champions."

This inspirational movie follows five competitors who sprint, leap, and swim for gold at the National Senior Olympics. You'll meet a 100-year-old tennis champion, 86 year-old pole-vaulter, and rough-and-tumble basketball grandmothers as they discover the power of the human spirit and triumph over the limitations of age.

The screening will take place Tuesday, June 4th at 11 a.m. and on Thursday, June 6th at 7 p.m. at the St. Paul Midway YMCA.

For more information and to reserve your free tickets call the Midway YMCA at 651-646-4557.

Hamline Church holds 'tech dump'

Hamline Church United Methodist hosts its annual Tech Dump fundraiser, a low-cost and free electronics recycling event, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, June 1 in the church's parking lot. The church is at 1514 Englewood; the parking

lot is on Minnehaha Avenue just east of Snelling Avenue. Items are recycled by the nonprofit group Jobs Foundation. A complete list of items taken is at <http://hamlinechurch.org/wp-content/uploads/Tech-Dump-Flyer.pdf>

Heartwood Festival

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There will also be spoken word with Kevin Yang, Fres Thao and CHAT, and CANVAS Teen Arts doing spoken word/acoustic.

There will be interactive music, too.

"We'll be having performances, and people will practice to make that music as well," said Clemons. "A group, Beatrix Jar, will do some interactive electronic music. Mark Granlund will also do interactive storytelling."

2-Wheel Tour/Open Eye Figure Theatre and In the Swing Sweet Adelines acappella quartet will be roaming the park grounds.

Hancock Recreation Center will be having kid's activities such as kickball, soccer, and a bike rodeo.

While the Art and Craft Fair is still in the making, there will be photography for sale, including photos printed on handmade greeting cards, framed artwork, and prints. There will also be some jewelry, pottery, fabrics, and handmade bar soap. An author will be selling some books of their

writings and short stories. People can take part in an interactive video project. They will create a video to go with the short stories.

There will be a Resource Fair with booths that include businesses, community organizations, churches, and schools. Applications for booths will be taken until Fri., May 17.

While the Coalition is still getting food trucks together, Ginkgo Coffeehouse will be serving smoothies, ice cream, and sandwiches at the festival.

The Bike/Walk Parade will be leaving Hancock Recreation Center at 10:30 a.m.

"It's a fun way to engage community members around a piece of the festival," said Clemons. "It's also a fun way for kids to get involved."

When the parade gets to the park, there will be an opening ceremony with a ceremonial tree planting at the reNewell Tree Planting. Volunteers will be gathering from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. to plant Burr Oak Tree seedlings. Partners include the University of Minnesota, St. Paul Parks and Recreation, and the Hamline Midway Coalition.

Like the reNewell Project, the Slice of Life Photo Exhibit is new to the festival. A digital slide show

will be presented and a select number of prints will be on display.

"We're highlighting the neighborhood through photography," said Clemons. "It's a fun way to engage people in the neighborhood showing and sharing things they like about the neighborhood."

Sponsors of this year's festival include: Ginkgo Coffeehouse, Groundswell Coffee, Eureka Recycling, Greg's PC Repair, Renewal by Andersen, Heppner's Auto Body, Borden Windows, and Celtic Junction. The Coalition received a grant from the Metropolitan Regional Arts Council with funds coming through the Clean Water Land and Legacy Amendment.

Clemons hopes for a large turnout at the festival.

"It's an opportunity for people in the neighborhood to build relationships with each other as well as businesses and organizations throughout the Hamline Midway community," said Clemons. "It's also an opportunity for people to connect with resources and opportunities throughout the Hamline Midway community."

For more information, go to hamlinemidway.org

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Mosaic on a Stick

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Although Greene said she does not do much with the planters anymore, if she passes one and notices it needs to be fixed, she tries to repair it as soon as possible.

With the recent difficult economic climate, Mosaic on a Stick has not only survived, but flourished, a difficult task for a small business.

Greene said she attributed the business' success to one

thing—love. "This business is not a big money maker, but that's not the point. It is really about community, and the people who come here are here for the community."

She said she is still pursuing getting a nonprofit status for the business. She is currently working on a mural with North High students for their school and doing a project for two restaurants that are very much not local—they are in Dubai.

"It's just a weird fluke that I happen to have work all over the place," Greene said modestly.

She has two main staff members to help, Tara Nielsen and Eamonn McLain.

"I never expected the business to grow this much," Greene said. "But I would like to encourage people to come over and see the building. It's a very different space, and such a beautiful building. And people can always come and work on a project."

The store is open 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Wednesday and Friday and 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday. The open house will be held during the regular Saturday hours.

Awards

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The Environmental Education and Awareness Award went to Great River School, which recently became the first school in the city of Saint Paul to join the Department of Natural Resources School Forest Program. The charter school's students chose the Saint Paul's Como Woodland Outdoor Classroom to be their school forest. Students and teachers spend

many hours assisting at Como with a variety of natural resource tasks such as planting, mulching, seed collection, brush hauling, and removing of invasive species. Students also engage in long-term investigative research topics to help the outdoor classroom, and have more than 200 students help with natural resource management and park maintenance at Como Park.

The Water Quality or Conservation Award went to CLNN or Como Lake Neighbor Network. This group has worked to keep ex-

cess phosphorus out of Como Lake through a fall curbside cleanup. Neighbors work together for a week in mid-October to clean leaves from street gutters.

Fall 2012 was the largest and most successful Como Curb Cleanup to date. Nearly 200 households participated and removed 11,727 pounds of organics from street gutters. This translates to an estimated 12 pounds of phosphorus prevented from Como Lake and an estimated 6,000 pounds of algae prevented.

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Golf Course Opening Dates: Highland National and Highland 9: Saturday, April 27;

Phalen Course: Saturday, April 27; Como: Thursday, May, 2 (9 holes, walking only)

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Pitch for Central District Police Station on Rice Street fails

By JANE MCCLURE

North End residents, business owners and organizations tried. More than 1,300 of them signed a petition. They wrote letters, passed motions in support, made their presence known during a bus tour and even handed out cookies. They had elected officials on their side, including Ward Five Council Member Amy Brendmoen and County Commissioner Janice Rettman.

But their efforts to replace the Central District Police Station with a new building at Sylvan Park and bring more cops back to the community may have fallen short. Supporters have one more chance to make a case for the \$16.2 million project at 6 p.m. Monday, June 3 at City Hall.

The project, which is one of the largest in the plus-100 list of candidates in contention for funding, faces an uphill battle. After the June public hearing the Long-Range Capital Improvement Budget (CIB) Committee makes its recommendations to Mayor Chris Coleman. The mayor will pick projects before unveiling the 2014 city budget in August. The 2014-2015 capital budgets will be adopted by the St. Paul City Council at year's end.

The district is the only one of three that doesn't have a separate neighborhood-based headquarters. It moved out of rented space at Rice and Arlington in 2003 and to the new law enforcement center, in what was supposed to be a temporary move. Since then community members have tried to get the facility back, proposing at one point that it be built in conjunction with the Rice Street Branch Library. Another proposal was at Rice and Sycamore. But neither location has been deemed feasible.

St. Paul Police Department wants a new district headquarters in the neighborhood and would share Sylvan Park. A station in the district would enhance police presence and improve response times, according to police. It would also provide better space for the 100 officers and civilians who work for Central District.

Attorney and neighborhood activist Kirsten Libby represented District 6 on the CIB Task Force. At the ranking meetings, she worked to get the project moved forward but was voted down. The project finished at 25th and isn't likely to be funded for 2014-2015.

"We've come in five times

over 10 years trying to replace our police station," she said.

Large public safety projects, such as new police facilities or fire stations, do gobble up a large part of the capital budget. "Maybe the city needs to look at a different way to fund these projects, so they don't compete directly with parks and playgrounds and recreation centers," Libby said. "This is a huge need for our community. We've already lost three recreation centers and McDonough is hanging on by a thread."

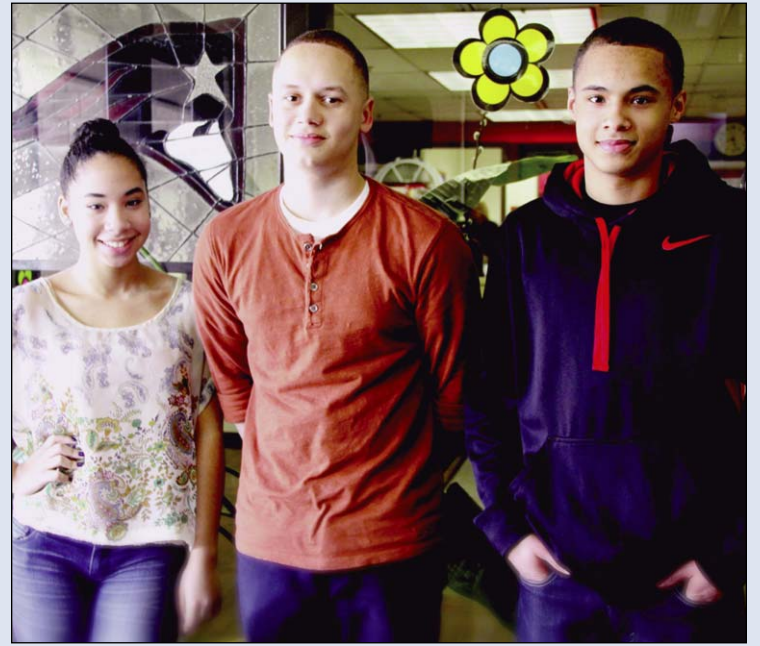
But CIB Committee Member Jacob Dorer cited the high cost. "This would be more than the entire budget for one year."

Other committee members cited the potential loss of part of Sylvan Park, which would mean replacing park land on a one-to-one basis.

"I hate to see us lose land that kids need to play on," said District 10 task force representative Dick Dian.

Another concern is that the police department needs to look at leasing space, or combining Central Team with other new facilities it needs. But even doing that would push the proposal back another two years, Libby said.

Central students honored as semifinalists



Central High School students Noah Barnes (11), Briana Blakey (11), and Kierron McGruder (11) have been named semifinalists in the National Merit National Achievement Scholarship Program. This honors academically talented African Americans based on their PSAT scores. (Photos by Central High School parent Julie Caruso.)

Como Park Garden Tour highlights neighborhood gardens

The Como Park Neighborhood Garden Tour, part of Como Fest, is scheduled for Saturday, July 20th from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. This annual event will feature 15 gardens located throughout the Como Park neighborhood, one of St Paul's most charming residential areas. The tour is free and open to the public.

Garden tour maps will be

available on the day of the garden tour at the Como Fest Saturday Art Fair, located at the Church of the Holy Childhood, 1435 Midway Parkway in St Paul (Midway Parkway just east of Snelling Avenue) or online at the District 10 Como Community Council's website, www.district10comopark.org.

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