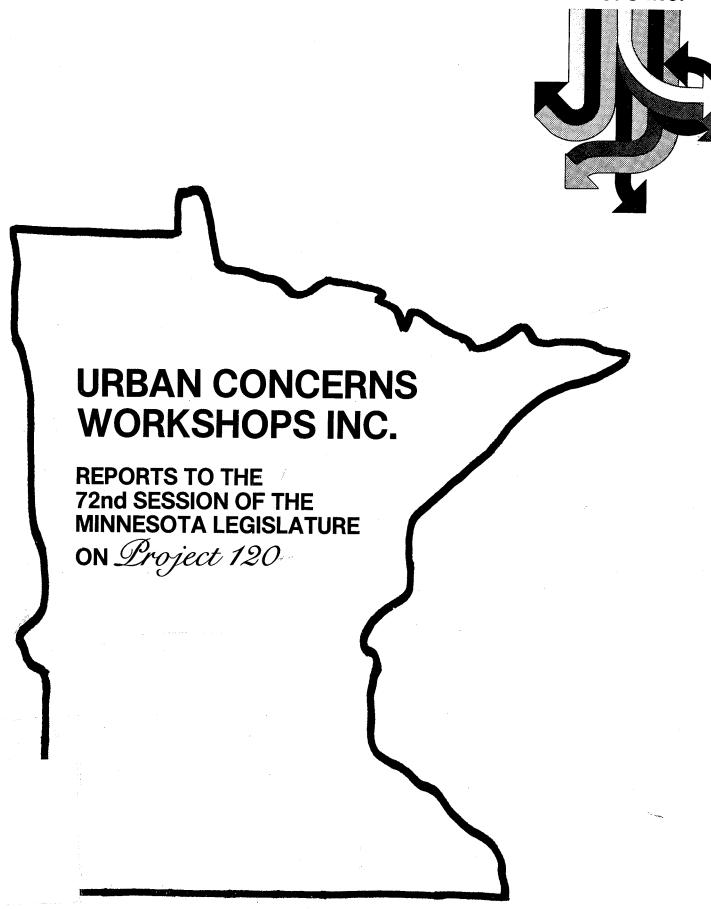
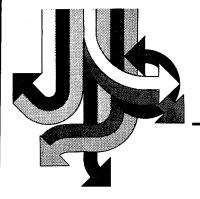
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# INTRODUCTION

Dear Project 120 Friend:

Urban Concerns Workshops, Inc. is proud of the innovative and comprehensive programs that they have sponsored over the past 10 years. One of our primary efforts has been in experiential learning for Minnesota's young people. Project 120 is our founding endeavor. The trust that the Government Learning Center and the Legislature placed in us has provided over 1,750 Minnesota junior and senior high school students with a nationally renowned program.

This past year saw an entire new staff come to Urban Concerns and Project 120. As the Executive Director of Urban Concerns my history includes three years of teaching, developing curriculum on Minnesota government, active involvement in political and civic affairs for more than 12 years. Our Youth Program Associate, Mary Alsop, has taught for three years; is active in her church; and has been active in politics. Pat Gillson, our office manager, has three years of experience in other nonprofit businesses and was active in social and civic affairs. The Project 120 intern, Ron Kuzara, is a journalism major at the University of Minnesota, having worked as an intern in the Minnesota Senate. Janet Kampf, our scheduler, taught for 8 years and worked as a Minnesota Senate employee for another 6 years. Hal Weldin, in his second year as our evening counselor, brought a seasoned history to this year's program.

Our staff was in place by October 20th of 1980, and in two short months Project 120 started. We believe that Project 120 has grown in substance this past year. A committed group of staff members, under the visionary direction of a Board of Directors, offered an expanded Project 120. Urban Concerns was not content with providing the "same" program, rather a refreshing approach to discovery learning was employed. This past year Project 120 students visited various State agencies; watched St. Paul and County government in action; utilized the numerous resources available at the Capitol; were evaluated in a report to the local teachers and parents; added 1.5 hours of teaching time to each day, to name a few.

Practical, close up examination of government is the most effective way for one to learn about our government. Project 120 provides young people with direct access to lawmakers in Minnesota. The students attitudes changed after their week long experience. It may be the first time that government was humanized and touched them. We believe that their experiences are shared when they return home and Urban Concerns is proud to have been a part of their political socialization process. Because of this commitment, Project 120 has truly become a partnership in government a partnership between government, young people, business and education. With that in mind we submit this report to you -

On behalf of Urban Concerns Workshops and the Government Learning Center.

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WILLIAM BARBEAU Executive Director

## A BRIEF HISTORY OF URBAN CONCERNS

Back in the late 1960's a group of people who had been active in both political parties realized that party membership was declining and that those groups which had traditionally been under represented were still not being attracted to the political process.

By 1970 this group had come to the conclusion that a nonpartisan political education organization was the best way to educate people about the political process and to motivate them to join it. So Urban Concerns Workshops, Inc. was formed. By 1971 Urban Concerns had received its tax exempt status, 501 (c) (3), from the IRS.

The early programs were held in churches and private residences. They were strictly for members of the minority communities and young people. In 1973 the programs were expanded into the St. Paul and Minneapolis schools. In 1973 we also started providing the local programming for a national organization called CLOSE-UP, which takes Minnesota high school juniors and seniors to Washington, D.C. for a week long educational experience.

In 1974 Urban Concerns received a grant from the Bush Foundation and with the cooperation of the University of Minnesota, produced a series of video-tapes on the political process. In 1976 the McKnight Foundation announced a sizeable specific grant to Urban Concerns for the production of a series of films on why minorities should become involved in the political process. By 1975 our corporate contributors were asking for practical politics programs for their own employees. Materials were assembled and a course outline drawn up for this new program. A grant from the Pillsbury Foundation created a series of video-tapes on practical politics.

# WHAT IS AN URBAN CONCERNS WORKSHOP?

Basically, it is a nonpartisan political education discussion in a small group format. Each workshop features a trained discussion leader. Urban Concerns currently has a cadre of about two hundred trained discussion leaders. Many are either officers or former staff members of the two major political parties. Some also come from groups like Common Cause, the Citizen's League, and the League of Women Voters. All are committed to the idea that only through education and motivation can we ever hope to increase the level of participation in the political process. Although each leader has his or her own political preference, all workshop sessions are entirely nonpartisan educational efforts.

The discussion leader has a number of resources at his or her fingertips to assist in the workshops: leader manuals, the most current political education materials, our video tapes on the political process, and a number of resource speakers. The discussion leader is generally a person with a broad background in politics, often he or she will bring in a specialist to discuss some particular aspect of the political process such as: proportional voting, polling, lobbying, etc.

The workshop begins with the leader explaining the purpose of the programs and by introducing himself or herself. Then the participants are asked to identify themselves and talk a little bit about their knowledge or lack of knowledge about the political process.

Depending upon the number of sessions in the particular workshop series and the specific interests of the participants, a number of different topics can be explored. Some of these include: attitudes about politics, the political parties, nonparty influences, campaigns, lobbying, policy making, the precinct caucus, the legislature, and local government.

The typical Urban Concerns course for a community group is three two hour workshop sessions, for an employee group it is five two hour sessions, and for a church group it is generally ten one hour sessions. Our courses are flexible enough to fit into just about any time schedule. But in all workshop series, the last session is devoted to answering any questions the participants might have and to encourage them to get involved in whatever political activity they think best suits them. For some this might be a political party, for others it might be a neighborhood association, a research organization, a lobbying group, or a community council. At the very least, every workshop produces a more knowledgeable group of voters.

#### A STATEMENT OF GOALS

First, we hope to demonstrate that politics is something in which everyone participates whether they realize it or not. Every citizen today is involved in politics even if he or she never pulls a lever in a voting booth or attends a precinct caucus. Perhaps these citizens are counted as members of the "silent majority" or perhaps some candidate is quietly rejoicing because they can be counted on to do nothing. In any event, political decisions are constantly being made which will affect them but which they will not have influenced.

Second, we hope to show people how to use the political system effectively and wisely. The citizen who enters politics with some know-how will not be intimidated easily. We give people the basic political information they need but never get in civics courses at school. This information is communicated by those people experienced in the political process and by demonstrating successful political efforts of the past. We use problem solving examples which are closely related to the problems facing each of us.

The ultimate objective of our program is to open up the political system - to make it accessible to the many people who feel powerless in the face of the thousands of political decisions which affect their lives daily.

The general attitudes about politics today is one of cynicism and mistrust. There is a mistaken assumption that some invisible line divides people between the politicians who are not to be trusted and the rest of us - "They" and "We". In Minnesota, at least, the political system is still waiting around to be used. At the most, only four percent of the voters attend their precinct caucus, the basic unit of our political structure. It is here that we hope to get people involved. From this beginning, the function and the need for political parties becomes apparent. By enlarging the base of the parties to include those who have heretofore felt powerless, we hope to restore some measure of faith in our system. We also stress the importance of neighborhood associations, lobbying groups, research organization, and community councils as effective ways of organizing to have a greater impact upon decision makers.

Because our objective is participation rather than knowledge, it is sometimes difficult to measure our success. If we can persuade a person to attend a caucus, that person will acquire more knowledge there than sitting in a classroom or listening to a speaker. The small amount of practical knowledge we give that person is simply a means to that end. We can total up the number of people we have reached on a person to person basis but not the number of minds we have changed. We can designate the number of persons who have voted or attended a caucus for the first time. These will involve many of their friends and neighbors in their follow-through beyond the classroom or discussion group. It will be a long-term accumulation of such successes which restores faith in our ability to govern ourselves. This is the prerequisite for our overall goal which is to get the political system working for everyone.

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# THE HISTORY OF PROJECT 120

In 1975 Urban Concerns developed the concept of Project 120, a one week program for high school juniors and seniors at the Minnesota State Capitol. About this same time Gene Mammenga, Roger Wangen and Russ Fridley were involved with organizing a Government Learning Center to provide funds for programs such as this one. With grants from the Minnesota Government Learning Center (a division of the Historical Society) and the 1976 Minnesota Bicentennial Commission, the first PROJECT 120 program was planned for the 1976 Legislative Session.

The 1976 program ran six weeks and 20 students participated each week making a total of 120 participants. The program was named PROJECT 120 for the legal number of days in the Legislative Session -- 120. Since this was a designated bicentennial project, all of the students came for free. There were 15 participants from each of Minnesota's eight Congressional Districts. The first year of the program was a tremendous success and plans were made for the continuation of the program.

The 1977 program was expanded to 20 students from each Congressional District making a total of 160 participants. Students came by Congressional District so that the first week of the program, 20 students came from the First Congressional District and so on until the eighth week of the program when students from the Eighth Congressional District participated. Because the Bicentennial Year was over and that money was no longer available, students had to pay \$100 to help cover the cost of the program. Scholarships were available for students in need.

The 1978 program was expanded to 240 students with 20 students attending each week over a period of 12 weeks. The 1979 program ran 17 weeks for a total of 400 student participants. The Legislature appropriation for the 1978-1979 biennium meant the cost of the program to participants was reduced to \$50 with scholarships available to students who needed them. There was also an urban and rural mix to each group, giving students a chance to meet students from other parts of the state. One session in 1979 included an experimental program for teachers during which 14 teachers participated.

The 1980 program followed the pattern of the 1978 program. There were 10 weeks for 240 student participants and one week for 25 teachers. An urban-rural mix was maintained to allow students from throughout the state an opportunity to meet with one another. The cost was held at \$50 with Legislative appropriations. Scholarships were also available for students who needed them.

The 1981 program ran for 17 weeks and brought 420 students to the Capitol to study state government. Sixteen teachers participated in a specially designed program. Increased costs raised the fee to \$75, scholarships were still offered to needy students.

# PROMOTION OF PROJECT 120

We began major promotion for the 1981 Project 120 and Project 120 for Teachers programs in September of 1980 with mailings to all the State legislators and High Schools. Legislators were sent a letter describing the 1981 program and asking them to send a press release to their local newspapers announcing the program. As in the past, legislators were very cooperative. Many students requested application material as a result of reading news articles placed by their legislator.

Material was sent to every Social Studies teacher at public schools in the State. Each Social Studies teacher received a copy of the Project 120 teacher's program brochure, the Project 120 student brochure and one student application form. In addition Social Studies Chairs, Principals, Student Council Presidents and Guidance Counselors at every public and private High School received information about Project 120. The Social Studies Chair received five copies of the student brochure, two copies of the student application, one copy of the Teacher's program brochure and a film request sheet. Principals, Student Council Presidents and Guidance Counselors received a brochure and letter explaining Project 120 and referred them to the Social Studies Chairperson at their school for further information.

A film depicting Project 120 was available free of charge to schools. It was mailed to 22 schools which requested it this year. Project 120 information was available for both the teacher's program and student program at the Minnesota Council on Social Studies meeting in Minneapolis on April 30 and May 1.

Whenever possible Urban Concerns staff visited schools to talk with teachers and students about Project 120. With a concern for minority student participation a special effort was made to contact teachers and students in schools with relatively high minority student population. These included: Minneapolis North, St. Paul Central, St. Paul Como, Red School House, St. Paul Urban League Street Academy and Minneapolis Urban League Street Academy. Churches and community organizations with programs for minority students were also contacted. We left brochures and applications at these organizations and asked that interested students be urged to apply.

Urban Concerns publicized Project 120 through a variety of other channels. The MEA Newspaper, MFT Newspaper, Minnesota Council for the Social Studies Newsletter and the Department of Education's newsletter, <u>Update</u>, were all sent news releases. Informational letters were also sent to Social Studies superintendents at Minneapolis and St. Paul Public Schools asking them to help promote the program in their districts. Urban Concerns made information available to participants at both Girls and Boys State held in June, 1980.

In Mid-October we mailed reminder letters to all Social Studies Chairpeople and Legislators. By the beginning of November we had about 200 applications for our 400 positions. The deadline for applications was November 15, 1980. By that time we had received 400 applications, but as we needed a list of alternates we extended the deadline to December 1, 1980.

At the conclusion of the 1981 Project 120 Program we sent a letter to all the teachers (230) who had sent students on the program. We detailed the program changes we had made and told them of our new programs and asked them to meet with us in the fall to discuss program improvements and encourage their promotion of the program. All Project 120 teachers were added to our newsletter list.

# PARTICIPANT DEMOGRAPHICS

GEOGRAPHIC REPRESENTATION	Metropolitan	67	18%
	Non-Metropolitan	309	82%
SEX	Female	247	66%
	Male	125	34%
RACE	White	358	95%
	Non-White	18	5%
YEAR IN SCHOOL	Junior	156	41%
	Seniors	220	59%
SCHOOLS REPRESENTED	Public	333	89%
	Non-Public	43	11%
PAYMENTS BY STUDENTS	Paid in Full	326	87%
	Scholarships	50	13%
PAST POLITICAL EXPERIENCES (o	nly 269 students responded)		
	Related Programs Social Studies Class Organizations (members) Politics None	61 80 26 50 52	23% 30% 10% 19%
HOW THE PARTICIPANT FOUND OUT	ABOUT PROJECT 120 (only 33	l studen	ts responded)
	Teacher Announcements Counselor/Principal Legislator Relative Previous Participant Other Program	192 15 24 11 25 36 7	62% 5% 8% 4% 8% 12% 2%

## GENERAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

#### PROGRAM TIME

Each of the 17 weekly sessions began Sunday afternoon and ran through 1:00 P.M. on Friday. Students stayed at the Holiday Inn State Capitol. We did not allow students to leave the program for other activities at any time while on the program. The students were up by 7:30 A.M. and had an 11:00 P.M. curfew.

#### OFFICES

Classroom space at the capitol complex was in Room 500 of the State Office Building. This space was donated by the House of Representatives. Desks, chairs and tables were donated by the Senate. On behalf of the Senate, Majority Leader Moe donated a phone for our classroom. The phone greatly improved the communication with the main office of Urban Concerns and Legislators were able to have direct contact with participants regarding any schedule changes.

Scheduling was done out of the main Urban Concerns office in the Griggs-Midway Building in St. Paul. There was heavy travel between the main office and the Capitol complex.

#### STAFF

As the Youth Program Associate for Urban Concerns,  $\underline{\text{Mary Alsop}}$ , was the Project 120 teacher. Mary was responsible for the students activities at the Capitol. She coordinated and administered the selection process.

<u>Pat Gillson</u>, as the secretary for Urban Concerns, was responsible for all formal communication between participants and the office. She coordinated all the Legislators' appointments and prepared each participants program packet.

<u>Janet Kampf</u> was the Project 120 Scheduler. She was responsible for selecting and organizing the weekly program schedules. Janet also acted as a "delivery person" of materials to the Capitol.

Our intern, Ron Kuzara, assisted us by picking up incoming students on Sunday and taking them to the bus depot or airport on Friday. Ron also coordinated the Sunday afternoon orientation and the pictures on Wednesday afternoon with Legislators. This past year the House of Representatives provided their own photographer, while we continued to coordinate the Senators' photos.

<u>Hal Weldin</u>, the Project 120 Counselor was responsible for supervision, discipline and student safety during the evening hours.

<u>William Barbeau</u>, as Executive Director of Urban Concerns was responsible for the overall aspects of the program including staff, budget, and program contents.

Staff meetings were held each week after the students left at 1:00 P.M. on Friday.

#### THE SCHEDULE

The schedule was arranged to allow for a diversity of speakers and activities throughout the day. At the same time a new emphasis was added - each week was organized around a particular issue, i.e., taxes, energy, education or reapportionment. The schedule emphasized speakers with expertise in those particular issue areas. Also, the visits to state agencies correlated with the theme of the week.

Governor Quie saw the students each week for about 30 minutes. Weekly visits to Joan Growe, Warren Spannaus, Arne Carlson, the Supreme Court, the House and Senate Chambers (and committee hearings), the Historical Society, and the Revisor of Statutes were included. Each week included 6-8 Senators and Representatives (equally divided by political party); members of the mass media; lobbyists and legislative staff members.

Some changes included adding a tour of state agencies. While the Legislature is the lawmaking body, state agencies issue guidelines and implement the laws. Each week students might have visited the Department of Natural Resources, or the Department of Finance, or the Department of Energy, or Economic Development, or Corrections. The visit usually included a tour and question/answer session with the state commissioner.

A second change provided for a speaker from various minority groups or organizations each week. The Upper Midwest Indian Council, the Phyllis Wheatley Community Center, Harry Davis, the American Indian Learning Resource Center participated each week.

A third significant change involved having the students visit the St. Paul City Hall and Ramsey County Courthouse. The students visited different Courts that were in session (Judge Flinn usually took time to visit with the students), met with Mayor Latimer and/or a City Council member, and visited with a department head of a city agency. The interrelationships between the federal, state, and local government was important to share with the student close-up.

Following is a typical Project 120 schedule:

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# PROJECT 120 DAILY SCHEDULE

Session 1

January 13 - 18, 1981

Energy and the Environment

### Sunday, January 11

5:00 - Check-in, Holiday Inn State Capitol

6:00 - Dinner, Holiday Inn State Capitol

7:00 - Orientation, Holiday Inn State Capitol

## Monday, January 12

7:30 - Breakfast, Transportation Building Cafeteria

8:15 - Discussion, Room 500 State Office Building

9:00 - Capitol Tour, Capitol Rotunda

10:00 - Representative Lee Greenfield, DFL, Energy Committee Member

Representative John Rose, IR, Energy Committee Member, Room 500 SOB

10:45 - James H. Main, Deputy Director, Minnesota Energy Agency, Room 500 State Office Building

- 11:15 Discussion, Room 500 State Office Building
- 12:00 Lunch, Transportation Building Cafeteria
- 1:00 Speaker of the House, Representative Harry Sieben, Room 500 SOB
- 1:30 Merle Anderson, Northern States Power Company, Room 125 Capitol 2:15 Tom Johnson, Minnesota Waste Management Board, Room 125 Capitol
- 3:00 Senator Hubert H. Humphrey III, DFL, Energy and Housing Committee Chairman Senator John Bernhagen, IR, Energy and Housing Committee Member, Room 500 State Office Building
- 3:45 Majority Leader of the Senate, Senator Roger Moe, Senate Chambers
- 4:15 Tour of the Senate Chambers, Scott Magnuson
- 5:30 Dinner, Holiday Inn State Capitol Gene Mammenga, Assistant Executive Director, Minnesota Education Association
- Tuesday, January 13
- 7:30 Breakfast, Transportation Building Cafeteria
- 8:15 Discussion, Room 500 State Office Building
- 9:00 Harlan Chrisianson, House Educational Services, Room 125 Capitol
- 10:00 Committee Meeting
- 10:30 Attorney General Warren Spannaus, Room 102 Capitol
- 11:00 Secretary of State Joan Growe, Room 180 State Office Building
- 11:30 State Treasurer Jim Lord, Room 500 State Office Building
- 12:00 Lunch, Transportation Building Cafeteria
- 1:00 Department of Natural Resources Centennial Building, Tour and Discussion
- 2:15 Bus Ride to Downtown Saint Paul
- 2:30 Saint Paul City Hall and Ramsey County Courthouse County and Municipal Court Systems
- 3:30 City Council Chambers Saint Paul Zoning Board of Appeals
- 4:00 Councilman Ron Maddox
- 4:15 Alice Murphy, Saint Paul Energy Department
- 5:00 Return to Holiday Inn
- 5:30 Dinner, Holiday Inn State Capitol
  - Dan Gustafson, Secretary Treasurer, AFL-CIO
- Wednesday, January 14
- 7:30 Breakfast, Transportation Building Cafeteria
- 8:15 Discussion, Room 500 State Office Building
- 9:00 Supreme Court Session, Court Chambers
- 10:00 Political Parties IR and DFL Party Officers, Room 500 SOB
- 10:45 Political Parties Socialist Workers Party Official, Room 500 SOB
- 11:15 Norma Schumacher, President, Minnesota Governmental Relations Council, Room 500 State Office Building
- 12:00 Lunch, Transportation Building Cafeteria
- 1:00 Individual appointments with Representatives and Senators Resource Activities
- 5:00 Return to PROJECT 120 Classroom, Room 500 State Office Building
- 5:30 Dinner, Rustler Restaurant, Minneapolis
- 8:00 Guthrie Theatre
- Thursday, January 15
- 7:30 Breakfast, Transportation Building Cafeteria
- 8:15 Discussion, Room 500 State Office Building
- 9:00 Revisor's Office, Steven Cross Room G3 Capitol
- 9:30 Supreme Court Tour, Tom Copeland, Court Chambers
- 10:30 Gary Bastian, Senate Staff, Room 500 State Office Building
- 11:00 Senate Session
- 11:30 Discussion, Room 500 State Office Building
- 12:00 Lunch, Transportation Building Cafeteria

1:00 - Bob Potter, KSJN Radio, Room 500 State Office Building

2:00 - House Session

2:30 - Film, "Legislatures Today," Room 125 Capitol

3:00 - Historical Society Tour

4:15 - Saint Paul Mayor George Latimer, Room 500 State Office Building

5:30 - Dinner, Holiday Inn State Capitol

Friday, January 16

7:30 - Breakfast, Transportation Building Cafeteria 8:15 - Discussion, Room 500 State Office Building

9:00 - Governor Albert Quie, Room 130 Capitol

10:00 - Harry Davis, Minneapolis School Board Member, Room 500 SOB

11:00 - Program Evaluation

12:00 - Lunch, Transportation Building Cafeteria

1:00 - Return to the Holiday Inn and prepare to depart for home

Following is a list of those people who took time to speak with the Project 120 students and teachers. We are grateful that so many people shared their time - a valuable contribution to the program.

#### LEGISLATORS

Lee Greenfield John Rose Harry Sieben Skip Humphrey John Bernhagen Roger Moe Willard Munger Elliot Rothenberg Willis Eken William Belanger Peter Stumpf Robert Ashbach Wayne Simoneau Mary Hanson Mike Menning Steve Engler Steven Novak Tony Stadum Florian Chmielewski Ron Sieloff Glen Anderson Conni Levi Steve Lindgren Robert Schmitz Darrel Peterson Tim Penny George Mann Fred Norton Bruce Anderson Clarence Purfeerst Kathleen Vellenga Gilbert Esau Frank Knoll George Pillsbury Glen Sherwood

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Bill Heaney
Jim Grathwol
Mike Flanagan
Henry Feldseth
Win Borden
Ray Dillon
Matt Stark

Hank Fisher Ed Gearty David Krogseng Judy Weinig Ron Block Stan Enebo Brad Richards Joyce Lake Wayne Feyereisen Tom Newcome Jeff Knutson St. Clair Beeman John Jackson Jim Roberts Rosemary Wilson Alfred France Edward Sletton Ruth Armstrong Bernard Brommer

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George Latimer
Peg O'Keefe
Robert Orth
Sheila Klassen
Diane Ahrens
Jay Willet
Lloyd Burkolder
Vic Tedesco
Ruby Hunt
William Wilson
Ron Maddox
Joane Showalter

Alice Murphy William Dudley Judge Flinn

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Leo Adams Nina Rothchild Joan Siedl Lovell Richie Don Johnson Karen Kelly Tom Thompson A.E. Hunter Edith Lallier George Winter Mary Ann McCoy Dave Zunker Sandy Hobson Russell Simonson Deborah Swanson Michael Heffran Mary Sulerud Rolf Middleton David Laird Ed Jasinski John Ellefson Harold Lofgren John Maas Kent Eklund Tom Johnson James Main Paul Hoff Bill Lester

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DFL

Mary Monahan

Carrie Wasley

Jim Streetman

Gail Stonemark

Joe Tessmer

SOCIALISTS

Jim Sieben

IR
Dorothy Lillegrin
John Kivimak
Vern Nepple
David Anger
Fred McComb
Cindy Corneleus
Jeff Weldin
Joe Peroutka
Evie Teegen
Josette Salen

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Joseph Barbeau
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Harlan Christianson
Robert Pearson
Sam Rankin
Gary Bastian
Tom Copeland
Steven Cross
Fred Pearson
Linda Montgomery
Ann Bateson
Pat Flahaven
Ardis Jacobson
Kathy Foley

#### OTHERS

John Boland Lori Sturdevant Bob Potter Dave Phelps Justice Amdahl Rob Stevenson CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICERS

Al Quie Warren Spannaus Joan Growe Jim Lord Arne Carlson Lou Wangberg

#### SPECIAL SERVICES

Ron McKinley Urban Concerns Urban Coalition Harry Davis Urban Concerns Sandy Vargas Urban Concerns Clarence Porter Urban Concerns Arthur Himmelman Urban Concerns Jeff Levy Urban Concerns Earl Craig Urban Coalition Sister Giovanni Guadalupe Area Project Ted Mahto Red School House /Flo Wiger Urban Concerns Larry Martin Upper Midest Indian Council Jeremy Rockman American Indian Center

#### STUDENT EVALUATIONS AND CERTIFICATES

For the first time we filled out an evaluation form on each Project 120 participant. The teacher and counselor commented on their behavior and particular academic points of interest.

Comments were made regarding the attentiveness of the pariticipant; whether the participant participated with questions; was he/she tolerant of others opinions; did they make an effort to socialize and get to know other students; did they read the assigned materials and were prepared for activities and speakers.

The form was mailed home to each participants parent and teacher.

A certificate was given to each Project 120 student recognizing his/her week-long experience studying state government.

We also sold Project 120 T-Shirts for \$5.00. The T-shirt was gold with black lettering - URBAN CONCERNS WORKSHOPS, INC., PROJECT 120 and our insignia.

Each participant was charged \$1.00 for an autographed picture of the group. Each week the Governor arranged for pictures and this year we offered the students an autographed photo of the group picture with the Governor.

Following is a copy of the certificate of recognition to Project 120 participants.



# Project 120



This is to certify that



has completed a week-long seminar on Minnesota
Government conducted by Urban Concerns Workshops,
Inc. and is now ready to become a more active participant
in the political process.

William Barbeau Executive Director Urban Concerns Workshops, Inc. Mary Alsop Project 120 Teacher

#### PROGRAM EVALUATION

A four page evaluation was filled out by each participant on the last day of the program. The evaluation included short answers and two pages of lengthy responses for future improvements of the program. Some of the evaluation questions and responses follow:

- 1. How clear was your understanding of the objectives of PROJECT 120 before the program began?
  - A. 140 Very clear
  - B. 173 Pretty clear
  - C. 63 Not very clear
  - D. Not clear at all
- 2. How closely did the content and emphasis of the program coincide with your expectations?
  - A. 177 Very closely
  - B. 180 Somewhat closely
  - C. 19 Not too closely
  - D. Not at all
- 3. Are you glad you came on PROJECT 120?

\_375\_YES

1 NO

4. Overall, I would say that PROJECT 120 was:

188 A challenging way to learn about government and politics 172 An informative way to learn about government and politics 16 A satisfactory way to learn about government and politics A disappointing way to learn about government and politics

5. How would you describe the growth in your understanding of how government and politics operate as a result of the 120 program?

A. 312 I learned quite a bit

B. 60 I learned some new things

C. 4 I learned very little
D. I did not learn anything new

Other questions that the participants were asked included: What are some of your learning needs or questions concerning government and politics that were not answered in the program?; What activity did you enjoy the most? the Least? Why?; Do you have a more positive, or a more negative attitude toward government as a result of the program?; Do you think you will become politically active in the near future? The evaluation was an indepth examination of the program performance and detailed suggestions for future program agendas.

#### MINNESOTA GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS WORKBOOK

Each Project 120 participant received a 120 page guidebook on Minnesota government. The guidebook's format changed this past year. The guidebook was condensed, reorganized for better flow, pictures were added, and sections on the Black, Native American, and Mexican-American contribution to Minnesota life was added. A section on the history of "protest" politics on Minnesota was included.

#### ASSIGNED RESOURCE ACTIVITIES

This year we gave each participant assignments to utilize the resources at the Capitol. The free time on Wednesday afternoon was to met their legislator and do some short research tasks. The students had to report back to the full group of students. Some activities included: 1) tracing your family tree through the Minnesota Historical Society; 2) note precedents of law on prominent cases through the Revisor; 3) report on the filing requirements for lobbyists.



## POLITICAL ATTITUDE SURVEY

Before each student took part in the program he or she completed a political attitude survey. After participating in the program the students again took the same political attitude survey. Reproduced below are their before and after responses, and the percent of change.

NOTE: Please be aware of the actual figures as well as the percent change of an accurate appraisel of these questions.

1. The decisions made in state government represent the will of the majority of people of the state.

	BEFORE	AFTER	% CHANGE
Strongly Agree	29	75	+11
Agree	239	288	+19
Disagree	80	33	-12
Strongly Disagree	16	0	4
Not Sure	36	4	-8

2. The decisions made in state government are primarily influenced by private interest groups.

Strongly Agree	36	22	-4
Agree	132	136	+1
Disagree	138	206	+16
Strongly Disagree	11	29	+4
Not Sure	83	7	-18

3. State government is very responsive to the needs of the people.

Strongly Agree	71	125	+14
Agree	178	250	+18
Disagree	90	12	-18
Strongly Disagree	18	0	4
Not Sure	43	. 8	-8

4. State government has a negative influence on the lives of the people

Strongly Agree	12	1	-2.5
Agree	26	13	-3
Disagree	238	195	-11
Strongly Disagree	41	185	+36
Not Sure	83	7	-18

5. The State Legislature is very effective.

Strongly Agree	,31	95	+16
Agree	218	225	+2
Disagree	55	39	-1
Strongly Disagree	35	31	-1
Not Sure	61	10	-13

6. The State Legislature is very poorly organized.

	BEFORE	AFTER	% CHANGE
Strongly Agree	13	8	-1
Agree	24	40	+4
Disagree	240	201	-10
Strongly Disagree	56	143	+20
Not Sure	67	8	-14

7. There is too much work required of State Legislators during the Legislative Session.

Strongly Agree	29	30	+.5
Agree	52	131	+20
Disagree	196	207	+2
Strongly Disagree	36	14	-6
Not Sure	87	18	-17

8. The salary for State Legislators is much too low.

Strongly Agree	41	20	-5
Agree	53	104	+13
Disagree	183	233	+8
Strongly Disagree	46	11	-3
Not Sure	77	3C	-12

9. There is not enough staff provided for the Legislators to conduct their work.

Strongly Agree	11	6	-1
Agree	44	52	-2
Disagree	165	272	+27
Strongly Disagree	17	35	+4
Not Sure	163	35	-32

10. The political parties control the votes of their Legislators to a great extent.

Strongly Agree	32	16	-4
Agree	197	147	-13
Disagree	78	177	+25
Strongly Disagree	17	52	+9
Not Sure	76	8	-17

11. Initiative and referendum is necessary to make state government more responsive to voters.

Strongly Agree	33	43	+2
Agree	199	160	<b>-</b> 9
Disagree	57	92	+9
Strongly Disagree	27	63	+9
Not Sure	84	42	-11

12. I would feel very comfortable meeting and talking with my legislators.

	BEFORE	AFTER	% CHANGE
Strongly Agree	63	252	+48
Agree	210	137	-18
Disagree	44	9	<b>-</b> 9
Strongly Disagree	18	0	4
Not Sure	65	2	-16

13. An individual who decides to become actively involved in the political process can be very influential in the decision-making process.

Strongly Agree	56	156	+15
Agree	230	231	+.25
Disagree	45	11	<b>-</b> 9
Strongly Disagree	5	2	-1
Not Sure	64	0	16

14. The political system in Minnesota is a very closed system; that is, it is very difficult for a group or individual to get involved.

Strongly Agree	12	4	-2
Agree	30	7	-6
Disagree	228	125	-26
Strongly Disagree	66	263	+50
Not Sure	64	1	-15

15. It is everyone's duty to vote.

Strongly Agree	314	322	+2
Agree	79	73	-1
Disagree	2	5	+1
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0
Not Sure	5	0	. 1

16. In order for an individual to fulfill his or her political rights and responsibilities, it is necessary to get actively involved in the political process beyong voting.

Strongly Agree	82	96	+4
Agree	214	198	-4
Disagree	77	101	+6
Strongly Disagree	2	3	+.25
Not Sure	25	2	-6

17. Political parties are not very important to the political system.

Strongly Agree	23	3	-5
Agree	27	22	-1
Disagree	210	215	+1
Strongly Disagree	108	157	+12
Not Sure	32	3	-9

18. Political parties are a very effective means through which an individual can have an input into the political process.

	BEFORE	AFTER	% CHANGE
Strongly Agree	99	106	+2
Agree	218	266	+12
Disagree	18	15	-1
Strongly Disagree	16	2	-3
Not Sure	49	11	-10

19. A person cannot be effective in the political process as an independent.

Strongly Agree Agree	20 41	15 120	-2 +20
Disagree	211	190	<b>-</b> 5
Strongly Disagree	83	64	-4
Not Sure	45	11	<b>-</b> 9

20. There is very little difference in ideologies and beliefs between the two major political parties.

Strongly Agree Agree	19 58	14 121	1 +16
Disagree	212	191	-6
Strongly Disagree	31	63	+8
Not Sure	80	11	-18

21. Only through a third party can effective and necessary change be brought about.

Strongly Agree Agree	14 96	11 26	-1 -18
Disagree	219	258	+10
Strongly Disagree	25	93	+17
Not Sure	46	12	-8

22. Being a state legislator should be a full time - year around job.

Strongly Agree	30 231	35 124	+1 -26
Agree Disagree	60	200	+49 +4
Strongly Disagree Not Sure	18 61	9	-13

23. The precinct caucus-convention system is a very effective system and should be preserved in this state.

Strongly Agree	58	114	+14
Agree	195	251	+16
Disagree	25	10	-6 -3
Strongly Disagree	13	1	-19
Not Sure	109	24	

24. Lobbyists make a very essential and positive contribution to the legislative process.

	BEFORE	AFTER	% CHANGE
Strongly Agree	75 704	173	+25
Agree	194	221	+7
Disagree	43	5	-9
Strongly Disagree	0	0	0
Not Sure	88	1	-21

25. How would you rank the American Party on the Political spectrum?

Radical	28	43	+3
Liberal	45	34	-3
Moderate	69	79	+2
Conservative	38	69	+8
Reactionary	14	76	+16
Not Sure	206	99	-27

26. How would you rank the Democrat Farmer Labor Pary on the political spectrum?

Radical	11	11	0
Liberal	170	244	+19
Moderate	64	79	+3
Conserative	56	37	-5
Reactionary	14	10	<b>-</b> 2
Not Sure	85	19	-17

27. How would you rank the Independent Republican Party on the political spectrum?

Radical	12	13	+.25
Liberal	-39	31	-2
Moderate	. 98	51	-12
Conservative	186	273	+22
Reactionary	7	13	+2
Not Sure	58	19	-10

28. Do you plan on voting in the general election?

Yes, Definitely	376	358	-2
Probably	21	32	+3
Probably Not	. 1	2	+.25
Definitely Not	0	<u>ν</u>	7.23
Not Sure	. 2	4	+.5
		4	Τ. 3

29. Do you plan to get actively involved in the political process beyond voting: campaigns, lobbying, neighborhood groups, etc?

31. Do you think that you may someday run for a political office?

Yes, Definitely	89	76	-3
Probably	67	144	+16
Probably Not	143	86	-14
Definitely Not	21	20	25
Not Sure	80	74	-2

32. Do you now or do you plan on communicating with your elected officials, such as State legislators and congressman?

Yes, Definitely	101	240	+35
Probably	206	136	-17
Probably Not	36	2	-8
Definitely Not	0	~ 0	0
Not Sure	57	22	-9





## 1980-1981 PROJECT 120 BUDGET

Funding for Project 120 comes from a variety of sources. The financial support for Project 120 is also a partnership between the government, educators, business, parents and the student. The Minnesota Government Learning Center grants Urban Concerns an amount of money allocated by the State Legislature. This year the grant came to \$37,160. Project 120 participants paid fees totalling \$27,095. Urban Concerns Workshops added \$15,350.85. Total revenue for 1980-81 was \$79,605.85. This budget does not reflect the in-kind support from the Minnesota Senate and House for the room, desk, chairs, phone etc. It also does not include the cost of transportation for the student to and from St. Paul. The contribution from speakers should also be considered. Again, Project 120 is a partnership of committed people. Below is the itemized disbursements of Project 120:

Workbooks Scholarships Mini Comm Beepers Transportation (busses for Staff Expense Newspaper Ads for employees Meals Refunds Accident Insurance Entertainment Hotel Clipping Service Printing Postage Office Insurance Workers Comp Phone Health Insurance Outside Service Unemployment Insurance Supplies Typing Film Office Rent Meetings	Guthrie/Omni night)	1,096.00 2,455.00 157.82 1,310.00 149.86 135.56 12,541.23 957.50 548.75 1,485.50 29,761.98 201.99 1,228.67 279.80 91.80 58.61 129.62 257.40 561.17 375.28 560.88 193.30 193.30 2,056.00 98.61
Counselor Intern Teacher Scheduler Secretary Promotion Temporary Help Executive Director Accounting		2,846.15 508.80 8,400.00 2,715.66 4,500.00 1,104.33 438.75 1,868.40 428.00
	TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$79,605.85

## PROJECT 120 FOR TEACHERS APRIL 5 - 10, 1981

For the third year Urban Concerns has sponsored a teacher week. Fourteen teachers from throughout Minnesota took part. The following teachers participated:

William Bolin Richard Fisher Ronald Albright Kasson-Mantorville Wells-Easton Tracy Jack Houge Denny Hartman Raymond Hermanson St. Cloud Northfield Two Harbors Janice Mathieu Dan Mikel James Mark Brainerd So. St. Paul Brainerd Stephen Twitchell Tom Gibbon Richard Swygman Kasson-Mantorville North Branch Jackson

The program was promoted by Urban Concerns Workshops, Inc. and Roger Wangen of the State Department of Education. Urban Concerns Workshops, Inc. provided staff support for scheduling and some teaching. Roger Wangen was the principle teacher for the week. A brochure was mailed to the social studies chairs in early September promoting the program.

The schedule follows: (Teachers were required to develop a teaching unit of an issue relating to Minnesota government.)

PROJECT 120 Office Room 500 State Office Building Saint Paul, Minnesota 55155 296-0723

Teacher Program

April 5 - 10, 1981

Sunday, April 5 5:00 - Check-in, Holiday Inn State Capitol 6:00 - Dinner, Holiday Inn State Capitol 7:00 - Orientation, Holiday Inn State Capitol



Tom Idstrom

New Brighton

Wendy Shannon

Stewartville

#### Monday, April 6

7:30 - Breakfast, Transportation Building Cafeteria

8:15 - Discussion, Room 500 State Office Building, Mary Alsop, PROJECT 120 Coordinator

9:00 - Capitol Tour, Capitol Rotunda

10:00 - Senator Gene Merriam, DFL, Coon Rapids Senator Steve Lindgren, IR, Richfield, Room 500 State Office Building

11:00 - Harlan Christianson, House Educational Services, Room 125 Capitol

12:00 - Lunch, Transportation Building Cafeteria

1:00 - Senate Education Committee Meeting, Room 15 Capitol

- House Session, House Gallery 2:00

4:00 - Senator Roger Moe, Senate Majority Leader, Senate Chambers

- Tour of Senate Chambers, Scott Magnuson

5:30 - Dinner, Holiday Inn State Capitol

Mr. Gene Mammenga, Assistant Executive Director, Minnesota Education Association

Tuesday, April 7

- 7:30 Breakfast, Transportation Building Cafeteria
- 8:15 Discussion, Room 500 State Office Building

9:00 - Historical Society Tour

Additional time for individual information gathering.

- 11:00 Secretary of State Joan Growe, Room 180 State Office Building
- 11:30 State Auditor Arme Carlson, Room 500 State Office Building

12:00 - Lunch, Transportation Building Cafeteria

- 1:00 Mr. Steven Cross, Revisor's Office, G3 Capitol
- 2:00 Attorney General Warren Spannaus, Room 102 Capitol
- 3:00 Speaker of the House of Representatives Harry Sieben, Room 500 State Office Building
- ''An Educator's Preview'' The Science Museum of Minnesota Exhibits & Demonstrations by museum staff.
- "The Great Barrier Reef," William L. McKnight Omnitheatre
- 7:00 Dinner, Holiday Inn State Capitol

Wednesday, April 8

- 7:30 Breakfast, Transportation Building Cafeteria
- 8:15 Discussion, Room 500 State Office Building, Mary Alsop, PROJECT 120 Coordinator
- 9:00 Supreme Court Session, Supreme Court Chambers
- 10:00 Political Parties, IR and DFL Party Officers, Room 500 State Office Building
- 11:00 The Documents Center, 117 University Avenue, Dave Zunker
- 12:00 Lunch, Transportation Building Cafeteria

Wednesday, April 8

- The Department of Education, Conference Room A, 1st Floor Capitol Square Building, Department Presentation, Sandy Hobson Coordinator
- Mr. Bill Lester, Metropolitan Council, Room 500 State Office Building
- 4:00 Nina Rothchild, Council on the Economic Status of Women, Room 500 SOB
- 5:30 Dinner, Geno's Restaurant, 670 Payne Avenue, Saint Paul

Thursday, April 9

- 7:30 Breakfast, Transportation Building Cafeteria 8:00 Committee Meeting
- 9:30 Lobbyist, Room 500 State Office Building
- Representative Carl Johnson, DFL, Saint Peter 10:00 -Representative Connie Levi, IR, Dellwood. Room 500 State Office Building
- 11:00 Senate Session
- 12:00 Lunch, Transportation Building Cafeteria
- 1:00 Supreme Court Tour, Supreme Court Chambers
- 2:15 State Treasurer James Lord, Room 500 State Office Building
- 2:45 Lt. Governor Lou Wangberg, Room 122 Capitol
- 4:00 Governor Albert Quie

Friday, April 10

- 7:30 Breakfast, Transportation Building Cafeteria
- 8:30 9:00 , Registration, Close-Up Program

Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs

Mayo Auditorium. University of Minnesota, Minneapolis

#### TEACHER EVALUATION SUMMARY

#### JAMES MARK

"I gained a more detailed knowledge of how state government works, in all three branches. I also gained valuable information on the amount of materials that are available for class-room use, many either free or at a minimal cost. I also gained a better understanding of what goes on "behind the scenes", such as the work of the Revisor's Office, the Documents Center, etc.

Needless to say, I greatly enjoyed a second time around, and heartily endorse the entire program as a valuable teaching lesson on the workings of state government. I think it is a disgrace that so few actually apply and try to take advantage of the opportunity offered by Project 120 for Teachers."

#### RICK FISHER

"I really think that by being here I will be able to talk and teach about state government in more of a first hand method...It was the first time I had ever been to the Capitol while the Legislature was in session. At the end of day #1, I was saying to myself, 'How the Hell do they get anything done', by the end of the week, I really had developed a different attitude."

#### STEVE TWITCHELL

"As for me, I think the things I learned the most were how hard legislators work..."

#### PROJECT 120 TEACHER WEEK BUDGET

#### INCOME

Grant from the Government Learning Cente	er 3805.41
Fees from Participants	1050.00
Contribution from Urban Concerns	70.48
TOTAL	INCOME: \$4925.89

#### DISBURSEMENTS



# **Proclamation**

WHEREAS: PROJECT 120 has sought to foster thoughtful citizen participation among young people by providing meaningful educational experiences for thousands of Minnesota students; and

WHEREAS: PROJECT 120 HAS CREATED OPPORTUNITIES FOR INFORMAL DIALOGUES BETWEEN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS; AND

WHEREAS: PROJECT 120 HAS AIDED MINNESOTA TEACHERS IN ESTABLISHING EXCITING PROGRAMS IN GOVERMENT STUDIES BY SPONSORING INTENSIVE WORKSHOPS AND DEVELOPING STIMULATING MATERIALS; AND

WHEREAS: PROJECT 120 IS CELEBRATING ITS SIXTH SUCCESSFUL YEAR;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Albert H. Quie, Governor of the State of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of May 1981 to be

#### PROJECT 120 MONTH

IN MINNESOTA, AND HAVE ASKED LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR LOU WANGBERG TO PREPARE THIS PROCLAMATION FOR MY SIGNATURE AND DISSEMINATE THE SAME.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hands and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota, to be affixed this thirtieth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred eighty-one, and of the State the one hundred twenty-second.

GOVERHOR

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SECRETARY OF STATE

# PROJECT 120 PROCLAMATION AND A THANK YOU RECEPTION FOR 1981

The Board of Directors of Urban Concerns Workshops, Inc. held it's Annual Meeting on April 30, 1981 at the Holiday Inn State Capitol with the 24 Project 120 students. Besides the Annual Meeting, April 30th was a big day for Project 120. On the preceding page a copy of the Governor's declaration of May as Project 120 Month is shown.

Seventy-five people joined Project 120 students, the Board of Directors of Urban Concerns, and Minnesota's 6 Constitutional officers to witness Governor Quie sign the formal Proclamation. The signing took place in the Reception Room of the Governor's Office. After the Proclamation signing the Governor talked for 20 minutes with the students.

At the same reception Urban Concerns wanted to say thank you to many people for their active support of Project 120. Project 120 has been providing learning experiences for 6 years and over 800 community, business, and political leaders have shared their time. A certificate was designed to thank a number of people who have given that "extra" for Project 120. These recipients have given hundreds of volunteer hours throughout the past 6 years. Urban Concerns wanted to maked a special effort to thank these people. On the following pages are pictures of the Proclamation signing and pictures of of the Certificate of Appreciation Recipients. We have also included a copy of the certificate and listed below are the deserving recipients.

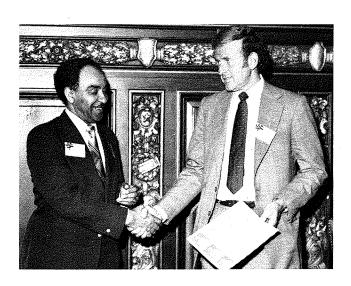
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Pictured clockwise from upper left are Mary Alsop (Project 120 Teacher), William Barbeau (Exec. Dir.), Harry Davis (Chairman), presenting to Sen. Menning; Rep. Glen Anderson; Vern Nepple; Mary Monahan; Russ Fridley; Roger Wangen.













Pictured clockwise from upper left are Jim Lord; Sen. Ramsted for the Senate IR Caucus; Lt. Gov. Wangberg; Warren Spannaus; Gov. Quie; Joan Growe.















# Project 120

May 1, 1981



The Students of PROJECT 120 and the Board of Directors of URBAN CONCERNS WORKSHOPS, INC. wish to express their appreciation and gratitude to



who has made an ongoing commitment to the goal of effective citizen participation by young people. We therefore, award this certificate of recognition and commendation.

Harry Davis Chairman, Urban Concerns Workshops William Barbeau Executive Director Urban Concerns Workshops Mary Alsop PROJECT 120 Coordinator

The following articles have appeared throughout the State of Minnesota about the visits of the students to the State Capitol. Also is a picture of then-Vice-President Mondale with a group of Project 120 students. The Vice-President stopped by to talk with the students when he was at the State Capitol in early January.





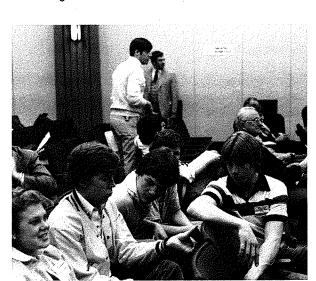
During a brief break in the schedule a couple of Project 120 students pose for the camera.



Each week Project 120 students visited the Metropolitan Council. Bill Lester spoke with the students.



Project 120 students visit the many places that offer information on state government.

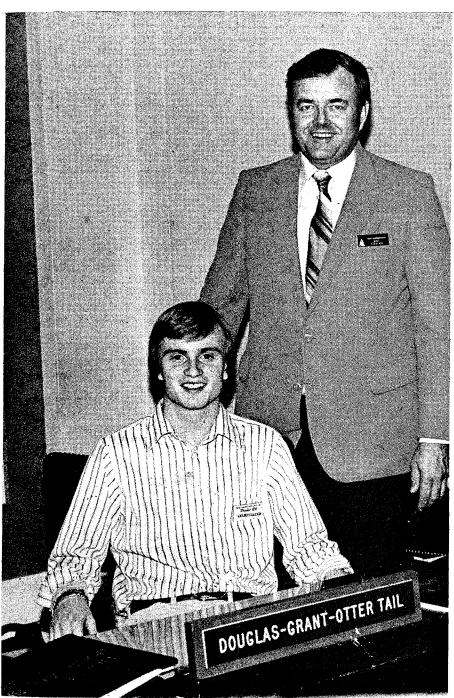


Project 120 students waiting for one of the many committee hearings to start.

Student breakfast and lunch are served in the Transportation cafeteria.

# Kim Chapman Visits Repr. Dave Fjoslien During PROJECT 120 At The State Capitol

CROOKSTON DAILY TIMES Polk Co.



Kim Chapman from Osakis, Minnesota, joined State Representative Dave Fjoslien, IR-Brandon in House Chambers at the Capitol in St. Paul. Kim was in St. Paul to take part in PROJECT 120, a week-long government course offered to high school juniors and seniors in the state. During his week's stay at the State Capitol, Kim met with his local legislators and learned first-hand about government operations and personnel.

PROJECT 120 is sponsored by Urban Concerns Workshop, Inc., a non-partisan educational organization.



VISITS CAPITOL—Mary McClernon, a student at Mount St. Benedict Academy, visited with Sen. Roger Moe at his capitol office. Mary was participating in week-long activities of Project 120—a program which gives students a close look at state government.

# Sherwood Receives Project 120 Award

Project 120, the citizenship study program for high school juniors and seniors, awarded certificates of appreciation to state officials who have supported the goal of education in governmental policies and programs for young people.

The awards were distributed at a ceremony proclaiming May as Project 120 month. Governor Albert Quie's proclamation stated that "Project 120 has sought to foster thoughtful citizen participation among young people by providing meaningful educational experiences."

Recipients of the awards included Governor Albert Quie and the other Constitutional Officers, several legislators, lobbyists and legislative and Supreme Court staff members.

# Three area Project 12O students visit capital to view state government in action BRECKENRIDGE-WAHPETON NEWS-North Dakota

By SARAH DODSON **Daily News Writer** 

Recently three Breckenridge students had a very rare and impressive experience, to spend a week in the state capital observing, listening to and talking with high state officials and lawmakers. They were part of PROJECT

In 1975 the Urban Concerns Workshops developed the concept of PROJECT 120. The Urban Concerns Workshops, Inc., is a tax-exempt educational organization which was founded in 1970. PROJECT 120 is a five-day program for high school juniors and seniors who learn about government and politics in the state of Minnesota. In 1976 the program ran for six weeks with 20 students participating each week, making a total of 120 participants. Thus the name PROJECT 120 was adopted.

The program has grown through the years. This year the program was run for 17 weeks, allowing 420 students to study Minnesota government in St. Paul.

Mary Hoogland, 17, Karie Toelle, 18, and Brent Brickzin, 18, all of Breckenridge, all participated in PROJECT 120 this spring at the state capital. The schedules of the students were very busy during their stay. They visited with Minnesota governor Al Quie, studied and watched the three branches of government in action, met the mayor of St. Paul, the city council of St. Paul, observed the Ramsey County Court and participated in other various activities throughout the week.

The three learned about the program from their American government instructor, Paul Sannes, who explained the purpose of Project 120. Hoogland, Toelle and Brickzin were immediately interested, applied and were accepted.

Hoogland, a junior at Breckenridge High School, gave her observation of the House of Representatives and Senate chambers. "The Senate was very formal. Everyone was dressed nicely and the manner in which they spoke even had to meet certain standards. But the House chambers were quite different. It was very chaotic with people running around and representatives yelling at each other. There was quite a difference.'

Brickzin, a senior, commented, "The best experience I had was to get on the



in the 1981 PROJECT 120 at the State Capitol in St. Paul this Brent Brickzin, Mary Hoogland (seated) and Karie Toelle spring. are all Breckenridge High School students who participated

floor of the House. You really can see and hear a tremendous amount more than if you are in a balcony, Seeing the representatives, their facial expressions and hearing it all is really cool."

"My father had a minor complaint about the state," said Toelle, also a senior. "So I told Valan, District 9B representative, and he sat, listened and was concerned about what I was saying. I was really impressed."

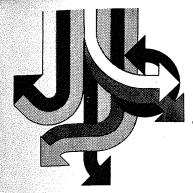
When the Daily News asked the students if the trip and program affected them they all agreed it did. But the agreements were all on different

Hoogland commented, "It inspired me to vote and to know the issues that we are faced with today."

Brickzin had different thoughts. "I'm hoping to become a lawyer and this program has inspired me to become involved in politics at the state level.

Toelle had mixed views, "It really did make a difference to me. I would like to be involved in politics at the local level. It influenced my views on voting also.

You should know what you are voting for and not just pick a name, and I learned that my one vote will always make a difference."



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