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## Mid-Century Modernism with Larry Millett

Noted author and historian Larry Millett will share photos and commentary on his latest work – *Minnesota Modern: Architecture and Life at Midcentury*, Tuesday, June 7, at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary at St Gabriel's Church, St Joseph Campus, 1300 Mainstreet, Hopkins. Millett's book has been described as an exploration of post-World War II style that swept the nation from 1945 through the mid 1960's, permeating the social, political and cultural institutions of that time. From midcentury homes to St Columba Catholic Church in St Paul to the expansive IBM complex in Rochester – his presentation promises to be informative, educational and entertaining.

Millett spent much of his early career as a writer, reporter and editor at the *St Paul Pioneer Press.* In 1984 he won a Knight Fellowship to the University of Michigan to study architectural history and theory. When he returned to the Pioneer Press he became the newspaper's first architecture critic. Since his retirement in 2002 he has written for varied publications including *Architecture Minnesota* and *Minnesota History* magazines. He has also authored a number of of works on Minnesota architecture including *Lost Twin Cities*, a book that won an International Book Award from the American Institute of Architects, and also served as the basis for three popular programs produced by Twin Cities Public Television.

Presentation is sponsored by the Hopkins Historical as part of their ongoing educational series. Event is free and open to the public. Information – <u>www.hopkinshistory.org</u>, 952-548-6480.