

# CASTLE PARK BANNER

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## SCHEDULE

- Friday, July 9--Tennis Tournament begins  
Saturday, July 10--continuation of the Tournament. Dance: children 8-9, Adults, 9-12  
Sunday, July 11--10:00 A.M. Tennis Tournament. 2:00 P.M.; finals. 8:00 P.M.--Vespers Rev. Marion deVelder, speaker.  
Monday, July 12--3:45 P.M.--Junior group meets on Castle Lawn for boat trip to Saugatuck.  
Tuesday, July 13--Dance: Children 8-9, adults: 9-12  
Wednesday, July 14--volley ball after dinner.  
Thursday, July 15--"Little Ravinia" concert at 8:15 P.M. on the Dance Dune.  
Friday, July 16-- open  
Saturday, July 17--Dance; children 8-9, adults 9-12.  
Sunday, July 18--Vespers--3:15 PM

## "LITTLE RAVINIA" PROGRAM

Little Ravinia will be at 8:15 P.M. on our Starlit Dance Dune. The program for next Thursday night will be:

BEETHOVEN: Septet  
BIZET: Carmen Suite

## VESPERS PROGRAM

Mrs. Marion deVelder is going to be the soloist at Vespers this Sunday night, and Everett Carter will be the accompanist.

--Kit Holford

## NEW BARN AND POST OFFICE PROPOSED

Mr. Brown is thinking about building a new Post Office at the crossroads. The building will be medium-sized, and will have a terrace in front.

Down near the Pro Shop, a Barn for dances on rainy nights and such is to be erected.

Both of these buildings are tentative and must have the approval of the Association.

--Carter Ratcliff

## SHADES OF THE PAST - BANNER 1941

A dog-eared copy of a Banner dated July, 1941, was just recovered and contains many little items to bring back some nostalgic memories. Dick Needham was editor, Gil Carter, Callie Costen, Dave Carr, Peggy Hibbard, Georgia White, Jessica Vennell, and Jean Costen comprised the News Staff. Bill Costen and Bob Steketee wrote the sports. Artists were Ding Koehler, Marshall Miller, Judy Butler, and John Robertson. Thatcher Rea was business manager.

Highlights of the issue were an article describing the sailing group headed by Jerry Green; a column call Steam Shovel, written by Gil Carter, and full of local gossip about Castle Park couples; a description of flag-raising, with Bill Costen and Les Scheaffer as buglers, a play class tradition now gone; a column with tidbits of information such as Lindy Scherer having red-headed twins, little Renny Burke crawling on the blistering hot beach, and Mary Goelitz having graduated from Smith College.

If any of our present readers happen to run across other old copies of the BANNER, 1940, the first year of publication, or later, we would be delighted to have them briefly. After reading them, real ghosts of the past drift from the tower of the Castle.

--Jean Carr

## BANNER STAFF

ADVISOR - Mrs. Marion Ratcliff

EDITOR - Scrib Mantle

## STAFF

Carter Ratcliff  
Curt Ratcliff  
Ward Heneveld  
Alice Agesen  
Natalie Wilson  
Sue Elliott  
Marnie Winston  
Howard Bayles  
Twink Frey  
Alfred Carter

FIELD DAY

BUMPER CROP OF BABIES

The winners of the fourth of July Field Day are as follows:

- Running Race (little ones)
  - 1) Becky Fennel
  - 2) Cynthia Eckles
  - 3) Walter Warner
- Duck Walk (little ones)
  - 1) Billy Nix
  - 2) Suzanne Wing
  - 3) David Burke
- Ball Throw
  - 1) Suzanne Wing
  - 2) David Burke
  - 3) Billy Nix
- 3-Legged girls 6-8
  - 1) Laurie McLean
  - 2) S. Mueller
  - 3) N. Grimmer
- Wheelbarrow boys 6-8
  - 1) L. Bayles
  - 2) P. Heneveld
  - 3) Dougie Veech
- High Jump girls 9 and up
  - 1) A. Mayer
  - 2) Ricky Steketee
  - 3) Gray Lerchen
- Steeplechase boys 9 and up
  - 1) Scotty Holford
  - 2) David Burke
  - 3) Alice Agesen
- Balloon girls 6-8
  - 1) Marnie Winston
  - 2) Kit Holford
  - 3) Carter Ratcliff
- Softball throw
  - 1) Ward Heneveld
  - 2) M. Bremmer
  - 3) M. Kelly
- Sack Race
  - 1) Susan Wing
  - 2) L. Bayles
  - 3) David Burke
- 3-legged boys 9 & up
  - 1) A. Mayer
  - 2) Dougie Veech
  - 3) Kit Holford
- Overshoe Relay girls 6-8
  - 1) Marnie Winston
  - 2) M. Bosch
  - 3) M. Bremer
- Footrace boys 6-8
  - 1) G. Maentz
  - 2) Scrib Mantle
  - 3) Cart Ratcliff
- Peanut Race girls 9 & up
  - 1) T. Lerchen
  - 2) W. Heneveld
  - 3) Paula Heneveld's team
- Pie Eating Contest boys 9 & up
  - 1) Dougie Veech
  - 2) Gray Lerchen
  - 3) A. Mueller
- Women's Cracker Race
  - 1) Marnie Winston's team
  - 2) Cart Ratcliff
  - 3) Allen Love
- Balloon throw
  - 1) T. Frey
  - 2) Mrs. Mercer
  - 3) Mrs. Bayles
- 1) Mrs. Nix
  - 2) tie--
  - 3) Curtenius, Samm
- 1) Steketee
  - 2)

ANNOUNCEMENT

Miss Joan Andreason is coming to the Nature Museum on July 14 at 2 P.M. She is writing an article for the Grand Rapids Herald on Play Class Activities, and she'd like to get some pictures of some of the local children for this article. --Alice Agesen

Castle Park extends a welcome to the youngest members of Castle Park families, babies who have been born since last season. Ward Heneveld has a new baby sister, Helen, born last week in Dewitt, N. Y. Others in this year's bumper crop are;

Robert Steketee, Jr. 8 mo. son of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Steketee (Leg Hibbard)

Carey Elaine Steketee, 4 mo. old daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Steketee (Elaine Feight)

Robert Austin Jr., 1 year old son of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Austin (Jeane Feight)

Gray Muzzy, 6 mo. old son of Mr. & Mrs. Dick Muzzy.

Daniel Eckles, 7 mo. old son of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Eckles. (Marian Moore).

The very latest arrival is Cathy Ann Hinga, 3 day old daughter of Mr. & Mrs. William Hinga (Commie Boersma)

--Ward Heneveld

NEWS FROM THE HOME WORLD

Mr. Carter L. Brown held a Junior Horse Show Meeting at the Castle Wednesday, June 30th. The following officers were elected: Mary Lou Vanluttten, chairman, Bill Butler, treasurer, and Rosemary Brink, secretary. The other members of the committee are Jane Hansonm Twinkie Frey, Charlotte Butler, and Lynn Winter.

The date of the show is July 31. It will start at 9 A.M., and resume after lunch at 2 P.M.

The new events this year will be an egg race, pair class, and a race in the field. The regular classes for Castle Parkers will be held.

A new Perpetual Trophy for the Western Division and one for the Saddle Division will be added. Anyone wishing to donate to the Trophy Fund may contact the Butlers.

--Curt Ratcliff and Natalie Wilson

ACCIDENT

Castle Parkers were sorry to hear about the motor accident Mr. Zwemer and Judy met with last Monday at Traverse City.

While both of them are out of danger, Judy faces long months in a cast with two broken legs. She will stay in the Munson Hospital, Traverse City, Michigan for several weeks and would certainly appreciate hearing news from the Park.

Though many of the waiters and waitresses are back from last year there are many new faces in the Henhouse and the Shack. The new Pixies are Marilyn Schutt, Nancy Warren, Jan Borsma, Barbara Wheeler, Barbara Clumphart, and Jan Rottschaefer.

Irim Wood, Tom Davis, Norm Thompson, and Joe McGroery are the new fellows serving hotel guests.

Phil Farrow and Paul ten-Doesschate are the Barn Swallow proprietors. Paul is from the Netherlands and we at Castle Park are happy to have him with us this season.

--George Maentz  
and George Wanty

#### AGED HAMSTER DIES

On Wednesday afternoon, July 7, Austin III, Ratcliff's hamster, was found dead in her cage. It is believed she died of old age because she was over two years old.

A fitting funeral ceremony was immediately arranged and attended by many members of the BANNER staff.

#### MONDAY NIGHT SING

Because of rain on Friday night, the Supper on the dune was called off. On Monday there was a sing on the Dune instead of the Marshmallow roast. It was a big success. Mr. Ken Ratcliff and Scrib Mantle played the guitar. Singing was led by Amby Holford.

--Hunter Louis

#### BIG CONTEST !!

The Castle is sponsoring a contest to see whose sketches are to be used on the place mats in the Old Timers' Room. Some of the topics that can be drawn are: a golfer in plus fours, the Castle in 1890, old cars; and many others. A sign explaining details will be posted in the Castle soon.

--Carter Ratcliff

#### MORE CASTLE PARKERS IN JUNIOR TOURNAMENT

Joyce Disbrow and Mary Bosch also went to the Junior Tennis Tournament at Kalamazoo. They stayed there Wednesday and Thursday. They each played in the singles and the doubles. They were in the Girls 15 & under class.

--Marthona Bosch

On Monday night there will be a trip on the "Island Queen" up the Kalamazoo River to Mr. W. C. Carter's "Shack". There will be a picnic, also at the Shack, consisting of cube steaks, buns, and potato salad.

We will leave the Castle at 3:45 P.M., and be back by 9 o'clock. Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Ratcliff, Mr. Holford, Mrs. Mantle, are the adults going. It is only for boys and girls 10 years old and over.

The total cost for the boat trip and the food will be one dollar for each person. If you or your children are interested, sign up in the castle.

--Ward Henevold

#### NEW SONG BOOKS

Castle Parkers will soon have their own song books containing melodies well liked by Castle Park residents. Cynthia Laing will be in charge of editing it. The printing and gathering of material will be done by members of the Castle Park BANNER staff. They will try to have the book out before the next Dune Supper, which will be next Friday.

--Jim Kelly  
and Mike Bromer

#### ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE PLANS EVENTS

Last Sunday at 4 P.M., Amby Holford presided over the first meeting of the Castle Park Entertainment Committee. Also present were Mrs. Chas. McLean, Mrs. Sally Brown, Mrs. Joan Holford, Mrs. Marion Ratcliff, Mr. Mort Roberts, Mrs. T. H. Clarke, Miss Cynthia Laing, and representing the Pixies, Miss Helen Van Lee. Through their combined efforts, the following Entertainment program for the month of July was chosen.

The drama for the month is to be an English comedy called "Miranda." This will be directed by Sally Brown. All Castle Park Thespians are urged to watch for rehearsal and tryout dates, which will be posted as soon as the playbooks arrive.

Toward the end of the month, the second annual Castle Park Variety Show, the "Castle Capers" will be given. Mr. Ambrose Holford will direct this performance.

Plans for the month of August will be given at a later date.  
--Scrib Mantle