

## SCHEDULE

Friday, July 30--Dance Supper: 6:30

CASTLE CAPERS: 8:30 P.M.

Saturday, July 31--CASTLE PARK

JUNIOR HORSE SHOW- 9 A.M.

Dance- 8-12

Sunday, August 1--Vespers 8:00;

Rev. Marion deVolder, speaker,  
Maggio Kesterson, solo.

Monday, August 2--Junior CP BANNER

meeting: Dance Dance; 7:30

Tuesday, August 3--Dance- 8-11

Wednesday, August 4--Movies- 9 P.M.  
at the Castle

Thursday, August 5--"Little Rav-  
inia" 8:15 at the Dance Dance.

Baseball Game: 2:30 P.M.

Friday, August 5--Open

Saturday, August 7--Dance- 8-12

Sunday, August 8--Vespers- 8:00

## THANK YOU

At this time we would like to thank all the people who have contributed time and effort to the BANNER. Without their help we would certainly not have had as successful a month's publication.

Anyone coming in August who is interested in working on the BANNER is invited to come to a meeting of "Our Gang" on Monday night, August 2, at 7:30 on the Dance Dance.

--Scrib Mantlo

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Thanks to the generosity of the audience at "Miranda," we collected \$109.84. Our expenses were \$21.37. This leaves \$88.47 to spend on the following innovations at the Amphitheatre; another tier for extra seating capacities, metal railings down the center and side of the stairs, repair, fill and roll the stage, evergreen planting to mask stage exits, myrtle for the terrace in front of Hebe, and spots and gels for lights.

John Knoll will start on these projects next week. As one can see, the proceeds from "Miranda" will in no way cover the expenses, so another drive will be made during our August play. Any donations from kind-spirited Castle Parkers will be greatly appreciated.

--Dede Burke--Chairman

## CAPERS TONIGHT

Tonight the Third Annual Castle Capers will be presented at the Amphitheatre at 8:30. This is Castle Park's Show of Shows, and this year's production is no exception. Most all of Castle Park's better known entertainers will be in grease paint, dancing shoes, and limbering up their vocal cords for the big event.

Among the presentations, the Hokey-Tokey Folk Dancers promise to create a new dance sensation, Prof. Jules Goebel, with his panel of experts, is sure to answer many questions that have been bothering us, and this year more than ever the Pixies and Waiters are demonstrating their talent on two big features, "Great Lovers in History" and "Oklahoma!"

All people are urged to be in their seats before 8:30 in view of the fact that many of our entertainers are children who will be riding in the big Castle Park Junior Horse Show the next morning.

The show is brimming over with fun, song, color, hilarity, and excitement. The short BANNER this week is the result of everyone working on and going to the CAPERS.

--Alice Agesen

## HORSE NEWS

We owe our thanks to the horse show committee for the beautiful trophy display in the Castle Lobby.

They would like to start the show on the dot of nine, so please come on time. Here are the morning classes:

- No. 1-- Leadline under 7
- No. 2-- Horsemanship under 13
- No. 3-- Horsemanship under 18
- No. 4-- Water Carrying Race under 18
- No. 5-- Child's Hunter under 18
- No. 6-- Castle Park Horsemanship beginners and advanced
- No. 7-- Race (if enough entrants) under 18

--Marnie Winston  
and Silvia DuBois

Fifteen years ago the Ghost in the Castle Tower visited one of the cottagers with quite a few interesting things to say. Again he has descended and he has brought with him ancient records of Castle Park's early days. Upon answering a knock on the door, this cottager was surprised to admit a hazy, almost transparent figure. The Ghost made himself comfortable and it became apparent that the purpose of his visit was to talk of the memories he had of Castle Park.

"There wasn't a playclass back when the park was new," he said, "But the boys and girls managed to have fun. After dinner they would all gather and play volley ball or run-sheep-run. Then South Hill and the other dunes weren't covered with trees but with stumps left from the lumbering days. Sometimes at night long single file lines of kids would wind their way up the dune between the stumps. They all carried lanterns and it made a very beautiful sight from below.

"At Saugatuck there was a paddle wheel boat called the "Klondike," which was bigger than the present "Island Queen," even bigger than the "Wolverine." The boys would get on the hayricks, which the Interurban replaced, and go to Saugatuck, board the "Klondike," and have a picnic at New Richmond.

"The pickerel and muskollungo fishing was good in those days, especially at Kolly's Lake. They call it Tibbo's now, I guess. Off the pier down at Macatawa the perch were bigger than they are now. One day, 8 or 10 boys went down to the Pier at 4 in the morning and before breakfast they had caught 403 perch. In Black Lake they fished for bass at night with lanterns.

"In the Old Timers Room there is a step up. That line shows the old Southern Wall of the Castle. There was a barn where the Garden is now, and in the Old Timers Room the heads of all the big fish caught were nailed to the cross beams."

The Ghost had with him some old folders from the Castle and he passed them around. Excerpts from the C.P. Echo such as "Put your tennis racket away where the mice can't gnaw the strings," and "Luther Barbor likes the ends of sentences because they nearly always end with a Dot" were noticed. The rates at the Castle were then: Rooms, \$2.50-\$8 per week, and Meals 50¢ each, \$8 per week.

After showing us his folders, the Ghost went on, but at the stroke of 12, he faded away. We told him we were very happy to have met him and hoped he would return before another fifteen years had passed.

The purpose of the Reptile Pit is to exhibit various frogs, toads, turtles, and snakes native to the Castle Park Area. It is located outside of the West wall of the Nature Museum and is built of cement blocks with a smooth inner wall to prevent the reptiles from climbing out. There is also a little pool and a wire mesh cover over the top. The Playclass Nature Group is in charge. Every morning we find broken glass, sticks, leaves, bottle tops, and assorted trash which has been thrown into the pit by people who fail to appreciate the effort of the children in charge. Not only does this present an unsightly appearance, but it is dangerous to the reptiles and to the children cleaning the pit. We ask all Castle Parkers to help up keep our Reptile Pit instructive and clean.

--The Nature Class

TENNIS RESULTS

The past two weeks has been filled with tournaments. In the Girls 12 and under the winner was Marthona Bosch, Boys 12 and under, George Macantz. In the 15 and Under division, Mary Bosch won the Girls and Jim Bonodiet won the Boys. All four will be awarded trophies.

Phil Farrow and Barbara Eckers lost to Louise Veech and Al Winston in the Mixed Doubles. The winners were awarded new rackets.

--Alice Agesen

NATURE MUSEUM

On July 26 and 27 there were two gophers caught in Mr. Cartor's back yard. We set a trap July 26 and that afternoon we had a gopher and the same happened the next day. You may see them in the far cage of the Museum. We ask the small children not to open the cages.

--Preston Thomas and Hunter Louis

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H O R S E

S H O W

DATE: Saturday, July 31, 1954

PLACE: Maplebrook Farm

TIME: 9 A.M. and 2 P.M.

A D M I S S I O N

Adults-----50¢  
Children-----25¢

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