

CASTLE PARK BANNER

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SCHEDULE

THE CASTLE PARK FASHION SHOW

- Friday, August 6--Open
- Saturday, August 7--Men's Doubles
Tournament, Married vs. Single
Men's Baseball Game--3 P.M.
Dance: 8-11
- Sunday, August 8--Men's Doubles
Tournament; Vespers: 8:15 P.M.
- Monday, August 9--Baseball game:
Castle Park All-Stars vs.
Macatawa, at Macatawa--2:30 PM
- Tuesday, August 10--Dance: 8-11
- Wednesday, August 11--Fashion
Show-- 3:00 on Castle Lawn
- Thursday, August 12--Little
Ravinia-- program to be
announced.
- Friday, August 13--Dune Supper
6:30 P.M., and Sing 8 P.M.
- Saturday, August 14--Dance- 8-12
- Sunday, August 15--Vespers: 8:15
--Curt Ratcliff

VESPER PROGRAM

This week's Vespers will have a new quartet which will sing several selections. The singers in the quartet are: Ralph Banks, Joe McGrory, Dave Kempers, and Warren Exo. Rev. deVelder will be the speaker at the service.

--Mike Meretta

BASEBALL

Saturday there is going to be a big baseball game at the baseball field. The Married Men and the Single Men are going to play at 2:30. Be sure to be there. It's going to be a great game.

Monday there is also going to be a baseball game at 3:00 with Macatawa on the Castle Ball Diamond.

On Wednesday afternoon August 11 at 3:00 P.M. Castle Park will have its first Fashion Show. Reichardt's Store of Grand Haven is putting on the show on the front lawn of the Castle. The balcony and terrace will be colorfully decorated.

Fall fashions will be shown for youngsters, high school, and college age, and the married set. Gray flannels, plaids, tweed suits along with afternoon and evening dresses will be shown. Even the men will have their moments. The Castle Park Waiters will be showing sport jackets and gray flannels.

All of the 30 models will be Castle Parkers. A few of these include: Sheila McLean, DeDe Burke, Marian Ratcliff, and most of the Pixies. Mother and Daughter Combinations will also be featured with Fay and Jackie Brown, and Joan and Joanie Holford.

Background music will be by Everett Carter. There will be no admission charge and everyone is cordially invited to come. In case of rain the show will be held in the Upper Dining Room.

This is something new and different, and I'm sure you'll enjoy the show.

--Judy Hoyt

TENNIS STARS PLAY

Did you read the Magazine Section of the Chicago Sunday Tribune last Sunday, August 1st? If you did, you were sure to see our tennis personality of last Sunday, Mary Hardwicke Hare. Mrs. Hare and her equally famous husband Charles Hare, beat Warren Exo, a waiter, and Mr. Crist, a guest, in straight sets. It was a good exhibition match, and I congratulate Warren and Mr. Crist for being brave enough to enter the court knowing who was facing them from the other side of the net. Following the Doubles, Mr. & Mrs. Hare played a set of singles.

--Mary Bosch

CAPERS BIG SUCCESS

Last Friday evening the Third Annual Castle Capers was presented in the Amphitheatre. Even though rain seemed imminent, a large crowd of avid theater-goers attended the performance.

The theme of the first act of this year's Capers was a takeoff from TV shows, and the "Howdy Doody Show" opened the production. This act featured Ralph Banks and Ellic Casper leading the younger members of playclass in the song "Its Castle Capers Time". An original Western, written and produced by Cartor Ratcliff, was highlighted by a Can-Can line made up of: Alico Aageson, Silvia DuBois, Mary Bosch, Charlotte and Gail Butler, and Curt Ratcliff. A takeoff on Liberace was performed by Scrib Mantle, and Mr. & Mrs. Grinnell Burke and Jacque Brown acted out several television

commercials. The Waiters gave a Grand Ol' Opry Skit, while the Pixies staged "Lessons From Great Lovers". Twenty Questions was one of the main attractions, with Dr. Jules Goebel as quizmaster. Songs from the musical comedy "Oklahoma" were the finale with Curley played by Jim Brading, Laurey--Maggie Kesterson; Aunt Eller--Ellic Casper; Ado Annie--Sally Brown; dancer--Colotto Curtenius. Background was provided by a chorus.

The entire production was held together by Dick Packard's suave personality, which combined with his excellent wit to make a perfect emcee.

The production staff included DeDe Burke, Marian Ratcliff, Bill Acott, Jim Benedict, Cynthia Laing, and Bill Butler.

The Panel members who carried their baskets through the generous audience collected a record-breaking \$126.87. As this year's Show, thanks to equipment, costumes, etc. bought in previous years, was not an expensive production, the Entertainment Committee is extremely pleased to have such a substantial sum to start its Fund for contributions to the Brown Barn.

--Scrib Mantle

HONOR COMES TO OUR POSTMASTER!!

Saturday Afternoon, Chuck Wissink postmaster at the Castle, will leave for Evanston, Ill. to attend the World Council of Churches' meeting. This is quite an honor, as only 17 young men were chosen from the U.S. However, this honor came at a rather trying time, as the stork is expected in the Wissink family any day now.

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HONORS (cont. from col. 1)

Chuck has attended Hope College, and Western Theological Seminary, and is planning to get his doctorate at Columbia University.

He will stay at the Meeting in Evanston for about three weeks, and return to Castle Park to resume his duties as Postmaster around September first.

--Scrib Mantle

PLAYCLASS NEWS

Monday we played kick-ball and we went swimming. Then on Tuesday we played Capture the Flag and had a good game of baseball. The score was a one to one tie.

--John Kunkel

PROGRESS REPORT

The BANNER editor, Scrib Mantle, is happy to announce several new staff members to fill in the gaps in all departments caused by the end of July departures. New writers and reporters working on this first August issue include Judy Hoyt, Gail Butler, Charlotte Butler, John Kunkel, Mike Moretta, Jay DuBois, and Mary Bosch. The staff is grateful to Karen Horschbach and Twinkie Froy for typing. Curt Ratcliff and Gail Butler, who have at last officially joined the subscription department, have been assisted by John Kunkel, Mike Moretta, and Sugie Layne in adding the following new subscribers to the list: W.A. Butler, A.W. Sherer, L.K. Johnstone, Walter Herschbach, Paul Kunkel, G. DuBois, R.A. Carr, L. Peirce, E.P. Avent, John Altorfer, and the Bremmers. The total subscription list is now over 100.

Scrib wishes to repeat that the BANNER is written and printed entirely by the kids, and all Junior Castle Parkers are invited to come and work on it. Each issue begins with a meeting from 9 to 12 Wednesday morning on the Dance Dune, and now workers are always needed.

In addition to the work on the paper, the BANNER is planning to sponsor a pet show, preceded by a Parade in costume, to be held in conjunction with the Fair, August 28th.

--FOB

SPECIAL EVENT COMING

For Castle Parkers from 10 to 16 a hayride is scheduled for the week of the 9th. There will be lots of fun and food. Sign up for this event at the Castle.

"I like Castle Park because of the informality and the type of people it appeals to." These are the words of Mrs. Charles Sligh when asked her opinion of Castle Park. Mrs. Sligh has been coming to Castle Park for many years with various members of her family.

Mrs. Sligh first visited Lake Michigan at Ottawa Beach where she lived in a cottage and later at the lovely old hotel there. When the hotel burned down just before the depression, never to be rebuilt, she went to Macatawa for a number of years to stay with her aunt, Mrs. M.J. Clark.

In a few years she moved and went still further south on the coastline of Lake Michigan to Castle Park. Mrs. Sligh said she likes the quietness and peacefulness of Castle Park and enjoys the many various types of entertainment provided here. She truly thinks the whole Brown family adds much to Castle Park. She says "Every morning I take my daily walk and enjoy the scenery and dodge the cars."

Mrs. Sligh is a great addition to Castle Park. She is part of Castle Park tradition.

--Mary Bosch

NATURE NOTES

Each week Mrs. Nobel will be interviewed by one of our BANNER writers on one of the interesting bits of nature of the Park. This week she took up the misunderstanding people have of the black sand on the beach. Instead of being caused by oil as many newcomers believe, it is ground-up iron ore.

The black sand is magnetite, the red, hematite; and the yellow is limonite. Iron Ore is magnetic which accounts for it sticking together. Real sand is pulverized granite that consists of quartz--red, mica--black, feldspar--pink. These particles are sharp while the iron particles are round and much softer to walk on.

When boats do toss oil overboard such as the navy boats that were out on the lake a while ago, the oil comes ashore in sand-covered globs.

We hope that this clears up some of the confusion about the beach.

--Carter Ratcliff

There are three tournaments scheduled for this month. The Men's Doubles Tournament will be played this week this week-end, August 7th and 8th. The Boys' Singles will be run off in two divisions:

18 and under--August 17-19
15 and Under--August 24-26

As Mr. Stagg may not be here the entire month, everyone who is planning to take lessons should sign up right away.

--Freston Thomas
and Jay DuBois

HORSE SHOW RESULTS

At the Castle Park Junior Horse Show last Saturday, quite a few Castle Park children received ribbons. Maplebrook Farm, scene of the show, was in tip-top shape, thanks to the hard work of Mr. Henry Boersma. A very large crowd attended this show, even though the early morning was somewhat downcast. However, the weather soon changed, and the sun stayed out the rest of the day.

In the leadline class, Mark Lashua won fourth prize and Stewart White fifth.

The second event, Horsemanship under 13, was won by Victoria Buchen. Alfred Curtenius placed fifth, and Curt Ratcliff copped sixth prize.

The Castle Park Horsemanship Class was run off in two divisions. In the Beginners Class the ribbons were awarded in the following order; Laurie McLean, Roger Brown, Jacque Brown, BeBuff Winston, and Hunter Louis. In the Advanced Class, Charlotte Butler won first place, Alfred Curtenius second, Marnie Winston third, Kit Holford fourth, Alice Aagesen fifth, and Karen Andreason sixth.

Victoria Buchen and Nan Barrett were tied first and second in the Hunter Hack Class.

Bucky Reynolds and Angela Erickson were the Pair Class winners. Charlotte Butler and Nan Barrett placed second.

Top honors went to Jean Pekelder, who won the Thomasma Brothers Challenge Trophy for Western Horsemanship, and to Nan Barrett, who won the Carter P. Brown Challenge Trophy for English Horsemanship. Lynn Cartier took the Black Sally Memorial Trophy in the Child's Hunter Class, given by Margaret McLean Lashua.

--Gail Butler