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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WITH MOTHER NATURE

- Friday, August 12--Dune Supper, Dance Dune, 6:30 P.M. followed by Frontier Party, 8:00 P.M. (Square dancing, games of chance, etc.)
- Saturday, August 13--Dance, children 8:00-9:00 P.M.; adults 9:00-12:00.
- Sunday, August 14--Informal match with women's tennis team from Grand Rapids, Michigan, 2:00 P.M. Vespers, the Dance Dune, 8:00 P.M. Dr. Marion de Velder, Hope Reformed Church, Holland, as speaker. Soloist, Mrs. Marion de Velder.
- Monday, August 15--Dance Dune Dancing Class for teen-agers, 8:30 P.M.
- Tuesday, August 16--Dance, children 8:00-9:00 P.M.; adults 9:00-11:00 P.M.
- Wednesday, August 17--Movie shorts, 8:00 P.M., Castle lawn. Rehearsal, The Dance Dune, for "Castle Capers".
- Thursday, August 18--"Little Ravinia" concert, 8:15 P.M., the Dance Dune.

Early in the summer, we don't see many sea gulls, because they are nesting on the islands in the northern part of Lake Michigan. Some do stay around the Saugatuck piers where the fishing nets are.

Right now the birds are bringing their young here. We know the young are dark-colored.

The larger gulls are the herring gulls, and the smaller ones are the ringbill gulls. They eat their fish live or dead.

We have also seen the black terns flying over the lake, and later will come the common and Caspian Terns, with their scarlet bills.

The other birds that help clean up the beach of dead fish are crows, the bald eagle, and sometimes the great blue heron.

We learn that birds are among the most useful of all creatures.

By Angela Romoll,
Jacque Brown, and
Susan Livezey.

CASTLE CAPERS IN REHEARSAL

A fine chorus turnout of twenty-two aspiring musical comedy stars launched rehearsals for the "Castle Capers of 1955", to be held Friday, August 26. This chorus forms the back-bone of the show and will appear in an opening sketch, scenes from "Carousel", and as background to a special instrumental selection.

Amby Holford, who is producer-director of the show, declares that he is most pleased with the enthusiasm generated in try-outs and that

YOU ALL COME TO THE

FRONTIER PARTY!

Friday, August 12 - The Dance Dune

Following the Dune Supper,

SQUARE DANCING WITH CALLER AND BAND--GAMES OF CHANCE--ENTERTAINMENT--FOOD. SEE YOU THERE!

this show promises to be the best ever. However, your reporter was unable to pry any more information from him in the way of skits to be offered or who some of the main stars will be. He promises to release this a week before the show, when everything is set.

BIG FRONTIER PARTY

Friday, August 12, there will be a "Frontier Party", which will be held after the Dune Supper, starting at 7:30 P.M., with a live caller and real band at 8:00 P.M. There will be circle and square dancing for all.

There will be gambling games, featuring for the children Penny Pitching, Baseball Toss, Fish Pond, and Shooting Gallery. For the adults there will be Roulette, Dice Box, and a big Raffle for a ham. Attractive young ladies will be selling balloons. All profits made will go to the Amphitheater Fund.

Girls--come dressed in squaw skirts and colorful blouses. Boys, come dressed in jeans and checked shirts--bandanas, straw hats, and cowboy boots too if you like. Any dudes caught will pay small fines.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Steketee and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Steketee are in charge. Bring plenty of dough!

--Anne Robertson
--Kit Holford

AU REVOIR, COCO!

The familiar by-line, "Coco C." has been a notable feature of this summer's "Banner", but, alas, Colotto Curtenius has left us to honor the West with her charm and personality. This reporter noted her absence so much Tuesday morning as the "Banner" slowly awakened to another week of news. Our young cub reporters miss her guiding hand and our Editorial Department misses her sparkling brand of writing. We want her to know how much we miss her and have appreciated her constant devotion to the "Banner".

LITTLE RAVINIA PRESENTS

Music lovers and nature worshippers cannot forget the combination of the world's greatest symphonic music in the most beautiful of settings--right here on the Dance Dune in Castle Park. Some of us have learned to know and associate the classics with unforgettable sunsets over the lake as well as the first star gleamings.

This week's program has featured the "Leonore #3 Overture" of Beethoven, the "Norfolk Rhapsody" of Ralph Vaughn Williams, as well as the "Sixth Symphony" of Beethoven. Next week's program, Thursday, August 18, will feature some "live" performances by Castle Park artists, including Brahms "Love Song" waltzes for quartet and piano as well as a horn solo from Mendelssohn's "Midsummer Night's Dream" music.

Professor Jules Goebel and Amby Holford act as your musical hosts and musical arbitrators, while Jack Monius, Barnswallow proprietor, manages the "Hall" and does an excellent job as technical advisor.

--Musical Editor

WHAT THE TENNIS ROBOT TOLD ME

Do you know that when you take a lesson from me you hit over 400 balls in one half hour? That is the equivalent of three sets of play. I hit the ball to you every four seconds, the same time it takes a ball in a game to go from your racquet to your opponent and return.

There are a couple of guys who are taking their game very seriously--very soon they will be playing good tennis. Join our "every morning" group of tennis too. We have room for those who want to play doubles or singles, and we usually meet at courts 4 and 5 from 10:00 A.M. until noon. For the newcomers we have a special class for beginners that meets Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:00 to 3:00 P.M.

CALLING YOU "PAY-RENTS"

CASTLE PATTER

We "Pay-rents" are all so proud of our children's and grandchildren's news items appearing in the Castle Park "Banner" each week. Now, a "Pay-rents" column will allow each of us to write an amusing item for them to read. This Park has many note-worthy personalities--there are professors of law, music, dancing, needle and scalpel, financiers, and good hard every-day workers--also wives and mothers of the skillet and diapers class as well as robust children who have not yet voted. So-o-o-o, "Pay-rents" of all ages--do tell us about the first Castle Park swimming teacher. We hear he couldn't swim! Or relate the tale of how Johnny hold your hand the first time in Castle Park! What all has "Hebe" looked down upon in our Amphitheater?

Make your stories anonymous if you wish, and let your grandchildren guess who. Give us news, "Pay-rents", and be sure to mail to P.O. Box 84 by Wednesday, August 17. Let's show our children we are truly more than just tolerated in Castle Park and have also "lived" here. As you sip your cool drinks, write down your "Pay-rents" chatter and make P.O. Box 84 bulge with your effusions. Keep the "Banner" flying--we'll print it!

DEER FOREST

The play class trip at this writing is planned for tomorrow, Thursday, August 11. This annual journey is a popular feature of the class. Deer Forest devotees may expect to see some of the following interesting things--mule, peacock, sheep, (both black and white), also pigs, cows, not to mention the attractive souvenirs for sale. So everyone, come to Deer Forest!

Joanie Halford

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.....Bud Goorgo, his wife, Fran, and four children are now living in Germany, after 4 years in Japan.
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Elliott and Jimmy are in Europe this summer. Both Harold and Jim are attending the Y.M.C.A. Conference there.

.....Dr. Margaret McLean Lashua is studying in the East for her Ph. D.

.....Cynthia Peirce was married June 24 in Holland to John Fullonwider, and they are now living in Dayton, Ohio.

.....New arrivals in our midst are Miss Bertha Hitch from Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. William Moriarity from Cleveland, Mr. and Mrs. A. Shelby Winsted from Louisville, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stoll from Louisville, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Graham.

.....We all send our very best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Hamm, Sr., and Mrs. Waddell, whose cottages are closed this year. We miss you!

.....Lost and Found Department--Where may Tommy Graham and Pat Moriarity be found? Liberal reward offered for information concerning them. Found--Jay Hoyt, Air-man First Class, who has been in Bilberg, West Germany, for two and one-half years, is now with his family in the Herschode cottage on leave.

.....DO YOU READ YOUR CASTLE PARK "BANNER" carefully? If we have neglected to mention any old-timers' interesting whereabouts, won't you please drop us a note in care of P.O. Box 84, so we can all enjoy their news? What is what helps make Castle Park one big intimate summer family.

.....New arrivals in our midst are Miss Bertha Hitch from Chicago,

DON'T FORGET

Cap informs us everyone is invited to watch the informal team match with the women's tennis team from Grand Rapids, Michigan, Sunday, August 14, at 2:00 P.M.

.....We all send our very best wishes for a speedy recovery to Mrs. Hamm, Sr., and Mrs. Waddell,

Yes, there was a swimming teacher who didn't know how to swim. He called himself Professor Taylor. He came to Castle Park some years ago. He tied a rope around his waist and then tied it on the pupil. Then he duck you and pull you up. He could pull you in when you got out too far.

Then we found out he didn't know how to swim.

--Laurie McLean
Bolinda Bremner

MINIATURE GOLF

Miniature Golf is a fun game. If you haven't played it, you're missing something. Here are some of the things you do at a place I know. One hole has a tire cut like a horseshoe standing up, and you have to get the ball in the tire and all the way through into the cup. Another one has a log swinging over the cup on a chain, and you have to try to get the ball in when it swings away. All in all, it's a lot of fun!

--Marthona Bosch

RIDDLES

- I. What is smaller than an ant's mouth?
(The food that goes into it.)
- II. What did the big toe say to the second toe?
(I think a heel is following us.)

SUNDAY EVENING VESPERS

Mr. Randall C. Bosch, our chairman in charge of the lovely Sunday evening vespers each week, reports that the speaker for each of the remaining August Sundays will be Dr. Marion de Volder of Hope Reformed Church, Holland, Michigan. Soloist at the August 21 program will be Renfro Sproul, and Miss Sarilene Johnson will appear as soloist at the August 28 services.

Have you ever wondered who was responsible for all the enjoyable group activities here at Castle Park? We have a hard-working corps of "vacationers", most of whom have come here for many years, planning for the summer pleasure of us all; and we think they deserve a big hand, don't you?

They hold many meetings and put in many hours of work before they present each finished product to us, often giving up their "beach" time or other recreation to do so. So here's a pat on the back to all the members of our Entertainment Committee, who voluntarily give their time for us!

This summer they have presented among other things a square dance, a "Songsquorade", Wednesday evening movie shorts, "Little Ravinia", a fashion show, a play, the printing of the "Banner"; and forthcoming still are the "Castle Capers", the "Frontier Party", and other activities.

Under the chairmanship of Dedo Burke are the other members of the committee, Sally Brown, Marian Ratcliff, Amby Holford, Joan Holford, Ken Ratcliff, Wilma Nix, Bob and Peg Stoketoo, Dick and Pat Stoketoo, Julius Goebel, Luther Barber, and special thanks goes also to Jack Menius, who has been a true "Jack-of-all-trades" to the whole committee.

RHYTHMICALLY SPEAKING

The band playing for our Tuesday and Saturday night dances has really been "in the groove", and its popularity is evidenced by the numbers who stay for the last note. It is headed up by Harold E. Cooper, the drummer, of Grand Rapids; and on Saturday evenings consists of four pieces, with three on Tuesdays. Our thanks to Mort Roberts who found them for us!