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120	12-28-55	arrangement with Columbia University for reconstruction of southern end of Morningside Park
117	12-27-55	New Year Figure Skating show at Wollman Memorial
119	12-22-55	list of lakes & flooded areas for ice skating
118	12-22-55	Christmas party at Flushing Meadows ice and roller skating rink
117	12-14-55	opening of John De Salvo playground
116	12-13-55	1 st performance in Brooklyn of "Cinderella" - schedule.
115	12-9-55	29 Christmas trees will be lighted - list of tree list locations.
114	11-7-55	opening of municipal lifeguard training course
113	11-29-55	NY Community Trust contribute \$650 to Future American Magical Entertainers
112	11-30-55	The Florida Lasker Foundation withdraw offer to construct ice center for older people
111	11-18-55	the Altman Foundation made gift to the city for rehabilitating & improving the children's pony track in Central Park
110	11-15-55	birth of baby hippopotamus in Prospect Park Zoo
109	11-10-55	seasonal close of several golf courses.
108	11-4-55	closing of Tennis courts for season
107	11-2-55	applications for golf permits
106	10-19-55	opening of L.C. duck hunting season - not in Jamaica Bay
105	10-10-55	opening of new playground in Manhattan.
104	10-6-55	Magic Show in Central Park

#	DATE	DESCRIPTION
103	10-4-55	opening of new playground in the Bronx
102	9-30-55	reopening of Wollman Memorial Skating rink - schedule and rates
101	9-29-55	ceremonies in Battery Park dedicating a memorial plaque to Emma Lazarus
100	9-26-55	opening of 97 football fields
99	9-23-55	reopening of ice & roller skating rink in NYC Bldg. at Flushing Meadow Park. - schedule & rates
98	9-21-55	Roller Termination of roller skating season at Wollman rink.
97	9-13-55	Fall schedule of operations at indoor recreation centers.
96	9-8-55	Finals of men's 1 st Annual Men's Doubles tennis tournament
95	9-7-55	reopening of Wollman Memorial Skating rink
94	9-7-55	5 th Annual mixed theme championships
93	9-2-55	State Dept. of Public Works will receive bids on construction contract of 5 rock jetties.
92	8-30-55	Naumburg Naumburg Symphony Orchestra will give 4 th & last concert of the season.
91	8-30-55	close of 17 swimming pools in 5 boroughs.
90	8-30-55	Naumburg Symphony Orchestra - final concert.
89	10-23-55	Name Band Dance.
88	8-24-55	Model Yacht Contest.
87	8-23-55	opening of new park in the Bronx
86	8-18-55	14 th Annual Harvest Dance contest

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85	8-17-55	6 th Annual Junior Fishing Contest
84	8-16-55	Name Band Dance
83	8-16-55	2 special concerts by visiting musical groups scheduled.
82	8-12-55	entries accepted for the 5 th Annual Blind Bogey Golf tournament & mixed twosome tournament
81	8-12-55	2 jazz concerts at the mall.
80	8-11-55	entries for 6 th Annual Junior Fishing Contest.
79	8-11-55	Marionette theatre's summer tour of "Hansel & Gretel" -
78	8-11-55	entries still taken for model yacht contest
77	8-9-55	repairs completed on Alfred E Smith memorial
76	8-8-55	name band dances.
75	8-9-55	music & dancing in NYC Parks this week
74	8-4-55	model yacht regatta in Central Park
73	8-4-55	summer dance festival at Brossville Rec. Center
72	8-2-55	music & dance in NYC parks this week.
71	8-2-55	name band dances
70	7-28-55	NYC fishing rodeo for girls & boys
69	7-28-55	opening of new playground in Queens.
68	5-27-55	blind senior citizens fishing tournament
67	7-26-55	name band dances - music & dancing in NYC this week
66	7-22-55	letter from Commissioner Moses to Comptroller Gerosa in ref. to Seton Hospital site
66	7-20-55	opening on limited basis of 450 ft of beach and a promenade at Manhattan Beach Park.
65	7-19-55	music and dancing in NYC parks this week.
64	7-19-55	City Symphony Orchestra's 4 th of 5 concerts in Central Park.
63	7-19-55	name band dance in NYC Parks.

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62	7-14-55	Marionette Theatre schedule for "Hansel & Gretel" performance
61	7-15-55	launching a "stardust" a 14 ft. Sports Runabout - Joe Trinka, builder.
60	7-13-55	music & dancing in NYC Parks this week
59	7-12-55	name band dances
58	7-6-55	Jacob Kiss Park annual play Day of festivities
57	7-6-55	4.6-acre addition to Randall's Island Park
56	7-5-55	music & dancing in NYC Parks this week.
55	7-5-55	name band dance
54	7-5-55	Latin American music concerts at the Harlem Meer.
53	7-8-55	opening of new playground in the Bronx
52	7-5-55	"Fragrance-touch" garden for the blind to be developed in central park - donation from Ray & Charles Newman memorial foundation.
51	6-29-55	music and dancing in NYC parks this week.
50	6-29-55	3 rd week of Name Band Dances
49	6-28-55	2 nd of 4 in series of 4 Numbung concerts
48	6-27-55	City Symphony Orchestra resuming reg. summer concert series.
47	6-27-55	Marionette Theatre will begin 14 day tour of "Hansel & Gretel"
46	6-22-55	opening of new playground in Queens.
45	6-22-55	opening of new playground in Queens
44	6-22-55	music and dancing in NYC parks this week.
42	6-20-55	opening of new playground in the Bronx.
41	6-20-55	opening of new playground in Manhattan.
40	6-20-55	2 nd annual series of outdoor pop concerts
39	6-17-55	completion of dredge & fill on South Beach.
38	6-16-55	opening of new park in Brooklyn.

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38 37	6-16-55	resurfacing of Shore Pkwy and Pelham Bay Park
36	6-15-55	rain date announcement for Annual Dance Festival of the Park Playground
35	6-15-55	music and dancing in NYC Parks this week.
—	6-15-55	summer park activities
—		safety bulletin
34	6-10-55	opening of new sitting area in the Bronx
33	6-8-55	season of outdoor dances in Central Park
32	6-9-55	Manonette Theatre performances of "Hansel & Gretel" — schedule.
31	6-6-55	Traborough Stadium dedicated as John J. Downing Memorial Stadium.
30	6-2-55	opening of playground addition in Brooklyn
29	5-31-55	12 th annual Dance Fete
28	5-27-55	older persons indoor/outdoor recreation center to be constructed — donation Florida Lasker Foundation
27	5-26-55	ceremonies at Battery Park dedicating Coast Guard World War II Memorial
26	5-26-55	Borough competitions for 21 st annual Barber Shop Quartet contest.
25	5-5-55	opening of new park in Manhattan.
24	5-24-55	Naumburg Symphony Orchestra concert series — 50 th anniversary year
23	5-17-55	Five and Drum competition at Jacob Riis
22	5-17-55	opening of park in Queens
21	5-16-55	opening of new park in Bronx
20	5-13-55	beginning of bathing and swimming season

19	5-10-55	Entry blanks for 21 st Annual Barber Shop Quartet contest
18	5-6-55	restoration of Robert Fulton Monument
17	5-6-55	5 th Annual Coney Island Fishing contest
16	4-22-55	final game for Championship of the 1 st Annual Invitation Basketball tournament.
15	4-19-55	dedication of Andriada Statue
14	4-15-55	Open House week at St. Mary's Rec Center in Bronx. Schedule.
13	4-4-55	9 th Annual egg rolling contest
12	4-1-55	opening of 472 tennis courts in 5 boroughs.
11	3-28-55	opening of 6 golf courses
10	3-16-55	start of construction in rehabilitation & enlargement of South Beach.
9	3-14-55	5 th Annual Wollman Ice Carnival postponed.
8	3-9-55	9 th Annual Egg Rolling contest.
7	2-28-55	opening of new playground in Brooklyn.
6	3-1-55	Mens Junior A.A.U. Gymnastic championships
5	2-18-55	applications for seasonal recreational activities permits
4	2-2-55	swimming meet at St. Mary's Rec Center in Bronx
3	1-27-55	9 inter-center boxing shows in in 5 boroughs
2	1-7-55	six additional inter-center boxing shows.
1	12-29-54	Parks & Recreation year overview

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Robert Moses, Commissioner of Parks, and Hulan Jack, Borough President of Manhattan, have worked out an arrangement with Columbia University for the reconstruction of the southern end of Morningside Park, at Cathedral Parkway between Morningside Drive and Manhattan Avenue.

Under a permit from the Park Department, Columbia University will construct an athletic field, a combination field house and comfort station and a storage building at an estimated cost of \$200,000. The athletic field will provide facilities for track and field, two softball diamonds, three touch football fields and a soccer field. The permit provides for an athletic program for intramural recreation and other activities by Columbia University and an organized program of athletic activities for the public.

Columbia University will, at its own cost and expense, staff and operate the athletic field and athletic building. The Department of Parks will maintain the athletic field and athletic building, also operate the comfort station which is to be part of the field house building. Mayor Wagner has endorsed this plan.

Construction will start in the Spring of 1956 and the entire project should be completed late in 1956. When completed, these facilities will provide opportunity for active recreation for the congested Morningside Heights and South Harlem communities.

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The Department of Parks will present a special New Year's Figure Skating Show at the Wollman Memorial Rink in Central Park on Saturday, December 31 at 12 Noon.

Fifteen solo and group numbers by members of the Department of Parks Figure Skating Club are on the program. Mr. Paul Von Gassner, Senior Professional at the Wollman Rink did the choreography for the numbers and the groups were trained by Ray Fiske, Leane Quigley, and Penny Selwyn.

The program will be:

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| 1. Solo | Patricia Rashbrook |
| 2. Solo | Patricia Rassin |
| 3. Traveling We Must Go | Group |
| 4. Solo | Diana Weiss |
| 5. The Cooks Are Here | Group |
| 6. Solo | Joan Milgrim |
| 7. Solo | June Lemberg |
| 8. Corps de Ballet | Group |
| 9. Solo | Carol Angelbrecht |
| 10. Solo | Ronnie Tomeshkin |
| 11. Military Group | Group |
| 12. Solo | Stephanie McKernan |
| 13. In the Park | Group |
| 14. Solo | Bunny Winzel |
| 15. Solo | Barbara Uhlich |

The public is invited to attend. There is no charge for admission.

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The punctual arrival of Jack Frost on the first day of winter, was the signal for the Department of Parks to hoist the "red ball" for ice skating at the following lakes and flooded areas:

MANHATTAN: 110th Street Lake, Central Park
59th Street Lake, Central Park, near 5th Avenue
72nd Street Lake, Central Park, west side
Conservatory Lake, 72nd Street and 5th Avenue
Belvedere Lake, 80th Street and Center Drive, Central Park

Flooded Areas:
Col. Young Playground, 143 Street and Lenox Avenue
Roosevelt Playground, Grand and Forsyth Streets
Roosevelt Playground, Broome and Forsyth Streets

BROOKLYN:
Flooded Areas:
Bensonhurst Park, Belt Parkway and 21st Avenue
Bushwick Playground, Putnam and Knickerbocker Avenues
Glenwood Houses Playground, Glenwood Road and Ralph Avenue
Kelly Memorial, Avenue S and East 14th Street
Playground, Tilden Avenue and East 48th Street
Seth Low Playground, Bay Parkway and Avenue P
Dolgin Playground, Avenue V and Nostrand Avenue

BRONX:
Van Cortlandt Lake, Broadway and 242 Street
Bronx Park, Twin Lakes, Botanic Gardens, north of Museum Bldg.
Crotona Park Lake, East 173 Street and Crotona Park East
Flooded Areas:
Bronx Park East, Tennis Courts, Bronx Park East and Unionport Road

QUEENS:
Alley Park, Picnic Area, Grand Central Parkway and 233 St. Hollis
(Lakes) Baisley Park, Sutphin Blvd., 125 Avenue, 153 Street, Jamaica
Bowne Park, 158th Street and 32nd Avenue, Flushing
Crocheron Park, 35th Avenue and 214th Place, Bayside
Kissena Park, 164th Street and Oak Avenue, Flushing
Pea Pond, Hollis Blvd. and Grand Central Parkway, Hollis

Flooded Areas:
Cunningham Tennis Courts, Union T'pike and 192 St., Hollis
Kissena Corridor, Peck Avenue and 188th Street
Linden Park, 104th Street and 41st Avenue, Corona
Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and Woodhaven Blvd., Glendale

Skating will continue at these locations as long as weather conditions permit.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1955

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The Department of Parks annual Christmas party for young patrons at the Flushing Meadow Ice and Roller Skating Rinks will be held at 10 A.M. on Saturday, December 24.

Santa Claus will, of course, be the honored guest and a special program of roller and ice skating exhibitions has been arranged for his entertainment.

On the program of roller skating exhibitions will be:

ROLLER SHOW

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| 1. | Group Number | Skating Club |
| 2. | Solo | Daniel Mount |
| 3. | Duet | Pat Richwalder &
Geraldine Wirth |
| 4. | Trio
(Snow Man
Numbers) | Judy & Nancy
Celesti - Joyce
Brunt |
| 5. | Straight Waltz | (Robert Constanza &
Geraldine Wirth

(Robert Barnett &
(Pat Richwalder |
| 6. | Finale | |

The ice skating program will be:

ICE SHOW

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| 1. | Patricia Rashbrook | Solo |
| 2. | Patricia Rassin | Solo |
| 3. | Traveling We Must Go | Group |
| 4. | Deanna Weiss | Solo |
| 5. | The Cooks are Here | Group |
| 6. | Joan Milgrim | Solo |
| 7. | June Lonberg | Solo |
| 8. | Corps de Ballet | Group |
| 9. | Carol Engelbrecht | Solo |
| 10. | Ronnie Tomashkin | Solo |
| 11. | Military Group | Group |

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Ice Show (continued)

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| 12. | Stephanie McKiernan | Solo |
| 13. | In the Park - Semi-Solo
(Group) (Bill Margulies) | |
| 14. | Bunny Wenzell | Solo |
| 15. | Barbara Uhlich | Solo |

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The Department of Parks announces the opening to the general public of the John De Salvio Playground located east of Mulberry Street and south of Spring Street, adjacent to the Judson Health Center in Manhattan.

The new playground is equipped with swings, slides, see-saws, climbing and exercise unit, shower basin, game tables, and benches.

This playground marks the 646th addition to the City's expanded park system.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1955

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The first performance in Brooklyn of "Cinderella", the Department of Parks Marionette Theatre's current production, will be presented at the Brooklyn War Memorial Recreation Center, Cadman Plaza at Fulton and Orange Streets, on Monday, December 19 at 3:30 P.M.

Of thirty-eight performances scheduled in Brooklyn, nine will be open to the general public. The others will be given in schools for the entertainment of enrolled students.

Performances open to the general public are scheduled as follows:

Monday, December 19, at 3:30 P.M. - Brooklyn War Memorial, Cadman Plaza at Fulton and Orange Streets - no tickets necessary.

Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, December 28, 29 and 30 - at 11 A.M. and 2 P.M. - Brooklyn Museum, Eastern Parkway and Washington Avenue - apply in person for tickets.

Saturday, January 14 at 1:30 and 3:30 P.M. - Brooklyn College, Walt Whitman Theatre, Bedford Avenue and Avenue H - no tickets necessary.

The Park Puppeteers began their fall and winter tour in Queens and will appear in Richmond from January to February 7; in the Bronx from February 8 to March 6; and in Manhattan from March 7 to April 10.

This production of Cinderella surpasses the high standards of artistry and entertainment set by previous offerings of the Park Puppeteers. Every child should have an opportunity to see it.

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FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12th

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The Department of Parks announces that twenty-nine Christmas Trees located throughout the city will be lighted simultaneously on Tuesday, December 13th at 5 P.M., as a contribution to the joy of the Yuletide Season. There will be one principal tree in each borough which will be lighted with ceremonies; City Hall, Manhattan; Borough Hall, Brooklyn; Joyce Kilmer Park, Bronx; Queens Borough Hall and Richmond Borough Hall.

The City Hall ceremonies in Manhattan will be broadcast. Mayor Wagner will deliver his annual Christmas message and throw the switch lighting the sixty foot high tree, officially beginning New York's observance of the Yuletide Season. Honorable Hulan E. Jack, Borough President of Manhattan, will also participate in the Manhattan exercises. Stuart Constable, Executive Officer of the Department of Parks will be the Master of Ceremonies. Selections will be played by the Department of Sanitation Band, and the Manhattan Chapter Chorus of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Singing in America will sing Christmas Carols and a school choir from our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Manhattan, in colored cassocks and frocks, will also sing selected carols.

When the Mayor throws the switch lighting the tree, he will also light the traditional red and green wreath, **eighteen feet** in diameter, over the main entrance of the Park Department

Headquarters at the Arsenal, 64th Street and Fifth Avenue, Central Park, Manhattan. In the center of the wreath is a decorative panel depicting the Three Wise Men proceeding to the Star in the East. The wreath weighs approximately two thousand pounds, with the floral decorations on the wreath six feet wide and three feet in depth.

The trees and the wreath will be lighted each evening starting after the ceremony on Tuesday, December 13th and on each succeeding day from 4:30 P.M. until midnight up to and including January 2, 1956.

Christmas trees have been erected in the following locations:

MANHATTAN:

*CITY HALL PARK, BROADWAY AND MURRAY STREET
TAVERN ON THE GREEN, CENTRAL PARK WEST AND 67th STREET
THOMAS JEFFERSON PARK, FIRST AVENUE AND 111th STREET
ROOSEVELT PARK, BLOCK 7, FORSYTH AND CANAL STREETS
BELLEVUE HOSPITAL, EAST RIVER DRIVE AND 26th STREET
MT. MORRIS PARK, LAWN AT APPROXIMATELY 123 St. & MADISON AVE.
FT. TRYON PARK, DYCKMAN STREET AND BROADWAY
CARL SCHURZ PARK, 85th STREET AND EAST END AVENUE
WASHINGTON SQUARE PARK, WASHINGTON ARCH
MADISON SQUARE PARK, FIFTH AVENUE AND 23rd STREET
BROADWAY & DYCKMAN STREET

BROOKLYN:

*BOROUGH HALL PARK, FULTON AND JORALEMON STREET
GRAND ARMY PLAZA, PROSPECT PARK, FLATBUSH AVE. & UNION ST.
LEIV EIRIKSSON PARK, 67th ST. BETWEEN FOURTH & FIFTH AVENUES
McCARREN PARK, DRIGGS AVENUE AND LORIMER STREET
DYKER BEACH PK. SOUTHEAST CORNER OF 86th ST. & SEVENTH AVE.
ESPLANADE, MONTAGUE TERRACE BETWEEN REMSEN & PIERREPONT STS.

BRONX:

*JOYCE KILMER PARK, 161 STREET AND GRAND CONCOURSE
ST. MARY'S PARK, ST. ANN'S AVENUE AND EAST 145th STREET
ST. JAMES PARK, CENTER OF OVAL LAWN, E. 191 ST. & JEROME AVE.

QUEENS:

*BOROUGH HALL, QUEENS BOULEVARD AND UNION TURNPIKE
KING PARK, JAMAICA AVENUE AND 151st STREET
FLUSHING PARK, NORTHERN BOULEVARD AND MAIN STREET
FOREST PARK, PARK LANE SOUTH AND 108th STREET
ST. ALBANS MEMORIAL PARK, MERRICK BOULEVARD AND 113th STREET
HIGHLAND PARK, JAMAICA AVENUE AND ELTON STREET

RICHMOND:

*BOROUGH HALL, BAY STREET AND BOROUGH PLACE
TAPPEN PARK, BAY AND CANAL STREETS
SCHMUL PARK, WILD AVE. AND PEARSON ST., TRAVIS

* - PRINCIPAL CEREMONY

Borough Presidents Cashmore, Lyons, Lundy and Maniscalco will light the trees in their respective boroughs with appropriate ceremonies.

In addition to the ceremonies at the largest trees, there will be 200 children's Christmas parties held between December 19th and the new year in the neighborhood playgrounds throughout the five boroughs. In general the parties will include choral singing, tree trimming, special Christmas games and visits from Santa Claus.

The principal children's parties are scheduled at the following locations:

MANHATTAN:

Monday, December 19

4:00 PM Harlem Housing Playground

Tuesday, December 20

4:00 PM Colonial Park Playground

Wednesday, December 21

11:30 AM J. Hood Wright Playground

Thursday, December 22

11:00 AM Sauer Playground

Friday, December 23

3:30 PM Cherry & Oliver Streets Gymnasium

BROOKLYN:

Monday, December 19

10:00 AM Union & Van Brunt Street Playground

Brooklyn (continued)

Tuesday, December 20

10:00 AM James J. Byrne Playground

Wednesday, December 21

3:30 PM Marine Park Playground

Thursday, December 22

10:00 AM McLaughlin Park

Friday, December 23

10:00 AM Sheridan Playground

Saturday, December 24

1:00 PM Bill Brown Memorial Playground

Wednesday, December 28

2:00 PM Schermerhorn St. & Third Ave. Playground

BRONX:

Monday, December 19

10:00 AM St. Mary's Recreation Center
1:30 PM Mullaly Playground

Tuesday, December 20

11:00 AM Crotona Park Center

Wednesday, December 21

11:00 AM Lyons Square

Thursday, December 22

1:30 PM L.W. Patterson Houses Playground

Friday, December 23

1:30 PM St. Mary's East Playground

QUEENS:

Monday, December 19

10:30 AM Corona & 102nd Street Playground

Tuesday, December 20

10:00 AM Pomonok Houses Playground

Queens (continued)

Wednesday, December 21

10:30 AM Atlantic Avenue & 125th St. Playground

Thursday, December 22

11:00 AM P.S. 46 Playground

Friday, December 23

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RICHMOND:

Tuesday, December 20

10:00 AM Silver Lake Tennis Play Area

11:00 AM De Matti Playground

Thursday, December 22

10:30 AM Levy Playground

Friday, December 23

4 PM Cromwell Recreation Center

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1955

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The Department of Parks announces the opening of the Municipal Lifeguard Training Course conducted each year to train young men for the position of Lifeguard at New York City's municipal pools and beaches. Applications are now available at all Borough Headquarters of the Department of Parks, playgrounds and at all Parochial high schools, university and college placement offices, as well as at YMCA and YMHA and the Department of Parks school at East 54th Street Pool, 342 East 54th Street, Manhattan. Tuition is free.

The Course, consisting of practical and theoretical instruction in lifeguard procedure and practice, will be divided into five parts; life-saving and water safety, resuscitation and inhalator operation, beach and pool control; use and care of beach and pool equipment; boat and surf rescue technique. Staff members of the Park Department will act as instructors.

Each candidate will be required to attend one two-hour session a week beginning Tuesday, January 3, 1956. Sessions will be held afternoons and evenings Tuesday through Friday, and from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays. Candidates will be given their choice of class periods. Classes will be held at the Park Department East 54th Street Pool, 342 East 54th Street, Manhattan. This pool can be easily reached from any part of the City via the Municipal Transit System.

This training course is open to male citizens of the United States who are residents of New York City for three years prior to date of appointment and who will have reached their 17th birthday as of date of appointment, who can pass a non-competitive swimming test of fifty yards in 35 seconds in qualifying tests, and who can also pass a qualifying medical and physical examination. Registration will be by written application on forms provided by the Department of Parks. A medical Certificate of Fitness from the candidate's personal physician is necessary before the candidate will be permitted to take the course.

In addition to becoming eligible for appointment as a Municipal Lifeguard for the summer, successful candidates will receive a certificate of qualification from the Department of Parks.

BOROUGH HEADQUARTERS

Manhattan	- - - - -	Arsenal Building 64th Street and Fifth Avenue New York 21, N. Y.	- REgent 4-1000
Brooklyn	- - - - -	Litchfield Mansion Prospect Park West and Fifth Street Prospect Park 15	- SOuth 7-2300
Bronx	- - - - -	Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue Bronx Park 62	- TAlmadge 8-3200
Queens	- - - - -	The Overlook Union Turnpike and Park Lane Forest Park, Kew Gardens 15, L.I. LIggett 4-4400	
Richmond	- - - - -	Clove Lakes Park 1150 Clove Road West New Brighton	- GIbralter 2-7640

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FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1955

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The Department of Parks announces that the New York Community Trust is encouraging the Future American Magical Entertainers to expand their fine work of entertaining in hospitals, orphanages, and recreation centers by a contribution of \$650 for the purchase of magic equipment.

The F.A.M.E., a group of youngsters aged 13 to 19 years drawn together by a mutual interest in legerdemain, meet weekly at the Department of Parks gymnasium at 407 West 28th Street in Manhattan. For years the members have been assembling a nucleus of magic paraphernalia through purchases of their own or by contributions from parents. The gift from the New York Community Trust will help these youngsters to increase their skills and add great variety to their entertainments.

The young magicians will give their next performances on Saturday, December 3, at the Van Etten Hospital in the Bronx.

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DECEMBER 1, 1955

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Upon advice of Counsel, the Florina Lasker Foundation has withdrawn its offer to construct at a cost of \$250,000 a recreation center for older people in the Ramble in Central Park.

The Board of Estimate has agreed to proceed with the rehabilitation of the Ramble as proposed by the Department of Parks. The fence and new comfort station will be omitted and other minor changes necessary because of the elimination of the recreation center building will be made in the plans for landscape work in the area.

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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1955

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The Department of Parks announces that the Altman Foundation, through its president John S. Burke, has made a generous gift to the City of New York for the purpose of rehabilitating and improving the Children's Pony Track in Central Park.

The Pony Track is a source of enjoyment to thousands of children each year. It is located at 63d Street just off Fifth Avenue adjacent to and south of the Central Park Zoo. It has long been in urgent need of rehabilitation, but the limited funds available in the Department's annual budgets have delayed the scheduling of this work.

The Altman Foundation was founded by the widely known New York merchant and philanthropist Benjamin Altman, founder of B. Altman & Company, who died in 1913. Mr. John S. Burke is head of the Foundation and Mr. John Coleman is a Trustee.

Proposed improvements to the Pony Track include landscaping, realignment of the track, replacing the old wooden curbing with concrete, a new drinking fountain combined with a watering trough for the ponies, relocating the pony shelter, benches and other incidental work.

Plans for this work are now being prepared and a contract will be let in the near future.

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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1955

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The Department of Parks announces the birth of a baby hippopotamus in the Prospect Park Zoo, Brooklyn, on October 9, 1955, and the first hippopotamus to be born at this facility.

The mother "Betsy" is five years old and arrived at the zoo in 1953, and the father "Dodger" is six years old and arrived at the zoo in 1951.

The baby was approximately 40 lbs. at birth and now weighs about 75 lbs., however, the sex has not been determined at the present time.

The public will be admitted after 11:00 a.m., Thursday November 17, 1955.

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NOTE: Press photography may be taken from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., November 17, 1955.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1955

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The Department of Parks announces that the following golf courses will close for the season at the end of the day's business on Sunday, November 27, 1955.

- PELHAM BRONX
- SPLIT ROCK BRONX
- VAN CORTLANDT BRONX
- FOREST PARK QUEENS
- KISSENA QUEENS
- LATOURETTE RICHMOND

In addition the Pitch Putt Golf Course at Jacob Riis Park in Queens will close for the season at the close of the day, Sunday November 27, 1955

The following courses will remain open for play:

- DYKER BEACH BROOKLYN
- CLEARVIEW QUEENS
- MOSHOLU BRONX
- SILVER LAKE RICHMOND

The winter operated golf courses will be opened for play daily from 8:00 to 4:00 p.m. when conditions for play are favorable. Cafeteria and golf pro services will be available, and lockers may be rented on a day to day basis only. Golf permits for the year 1955 are valid for use until December 31, 1955 on any of the courses which are open for play, and the rates charged for rounds of golf during the regular playing season will be effective for the winter operated courses. Golf Permits for the year 1956 may be used after December 1, 1955.

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FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1955

1-1-30M-505074(55) 114

The Department of Parks announces the closing for the season of the Tennis Courts at the end of the day's business Sunday, November 13, 1955.

After this date, players who furnish their own equipment will be permitted to use the hard surface courts free of charge.

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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1955

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Starting Thursday, December 1, 1955, applications for 1956 golf permits will be available at each of the five Borough Offices of the Park Department. The 1956 golf permit costing \$15.00 will be valid after December 1, 1955 and may be used at any course that will be open for play. 1955 golf permits will be honored until December 31, 1955. Applications for 1956 permits may be made either in person or by mail and must be accompanied by a face photograph of passport size, taken not more than thirty days prior to date of application. Applications filed by mail must be accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope, and the address must include the postal zone, if any. Permits may be purchased at the several offices after filling out applications.

Golf lockers for 1956 season will be placed on sale during the early part of next year. The exact date will be announced later.

Park Department offices in the five boroughs are located as follows:

- MANHATTAN: Arsenal Building, Telephone: REgent 4-1000
64th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N.Y.
- BROOKLYN: Litchfield Mansion, Telephone: SOuth 8-2300
Prospect Park West and Fifth Street, Brooklyn 15, N.Y.
- QUEENS: The Overlook, Telephone: LIggett 4-4400
Forest Park, Union Turnpike and Park Lane
Kew Gardens 15, N. Y.
- BRONX: Administration Building, Telephone: TALmadge 8-3200
Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue, Bronx 60, N.Y.
- RICHMOND: Clove Lakes Park, Telephone: GIbralter 2-7640
1150 Clove Road, West New Brighton, Staten Island 1, N.Y.

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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1955

1-1-30M-505074(55) 114

The duck hunting season for the Long Island area opens on October 29, 1955. The Department of Parks announces that the public should be reminded that hunting is not permitted in Jamaica Bay.

This area has been established as a wildlife refuge and hunting and carrying of firearms in Jamaica Bay are violations of the Rules and Regulations of the Department of Parks. Signs have been posted in various locations to this effect.

Violators of these regulations will be subject to prosecution.

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FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1955

1-1-1-30M-505074(55) 114

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and the opening to the general public of a playground located at Lewis and Delancey Streets adjacent to P. S. 110 in Manhattan.

This new 0.189 acre playground provides for three basketball courts and will be operated by the Board of Education during school hours and by the Department of Parks at all other times.

In conjunction with the construction of this new playground the Bernard Downing Playground, located nearby at Columbia, Delancey and Willett Streets, was reconstructed and enlarged to provide additional outdoor recreational facilities for residents of the local community. The reconstructed playground provides for handball courts, basketball courts, sand pit, slides, a quiet games area with tables for chess and checkers, wading pool, sitting areas and an indoor recreation building which may be used for quiet games during inclement weather.

With the addition of the P.S. 110 playground there are now 645 playgrounds in the park system.

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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1955

1-1-30M-505074(55) 114

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The Department of Parks has scheduled a Magic Show at the Mall in Central Park on Wednesday, October 12 at 2 P.M. The performers, all members of the Future American Magical Entertainers, range in age from 13 to 19 years.

The F. A. M. E. is the only magic club for children in New York City. Drawn together by their interest in legerdemain, the members meet under the auspices of the recreation division of the Department of Parks. Their headquarters are at the Park Department gymnasium at 407 West 28th Street, Manhattan. The group has performed at hospitals and other charitable institutions.

The public is invited to attend the show on Wednesday. No tickets of admission are required.

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FOR RELEASE

OCTOBER 5, 1955

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The Department of Parks announces the opening of a new playground north of Morris Park Avenue between Muliner and Mathews Avenues in the Bronx.

Located in the Morris Park section of the Bronx this 1.02 acre playground will serve the outdoor recreational needs of the nearby community of private residential homes.

Divided into three sections for control purposes the southerly section is an area for older children and provides for two basketball courts and two handball courts. The northerly section contains a younger children's area and provides for a comfort station, slides, swings, jungle gym, wading pool, sand pit and benches for guardians of small fry. The southeasterly section is an area for passive recreation for use by older patrons and provides for benches and tables for quiet games such as chess and checkers.

With the addition of this playground there are now 644 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 1955

Release 10/30/55

1-1-1-30M-505074(55) 114

The Department of Parks announces that the Wollman Memorial Skating Rink will be reopened for ice skating starting Saturday, October 8, 1955 at 10:00 a.m.

Since the termination of the roller skating season on September 27, 1955, the rink has been closed to prepare the facility for ice skating.

The Wollman Memorial is located in the easterly side of Central Park at about 63d Street, West of Central Park Zoo and north of 59th Street Lake. It consists of a 28,000 sq. ft. outdoor skating rink, a semi-circular one-story building housing refrigerating machinery, dressing rooms, a food concession and incidental facilities.

Free figure and dance skating instruction for children 14 years of age and under will be held on Saturday mornings between the hours of 10:00 and 11:00 a.m. throughout the season. Mr. Paul von Gassner, Senior Professional instructor at the rink is donating his time and he will personally instruct the youngsters.

During the last ice skating season, the total attendance was 356,340 of which 42,834 were free admissions for children 14 years of age and under. These free sessions are held on Saturday, holidays and school vacations in the morning only.

Daily sessions and rates are in accordance with the attached schedule.

Session Schedule And Rates

1955 - 56 Season

WOLLMAN SKATING RINK

ICE SKATING

<u>Session</u>	<u>Rates</u>
Daily - Morning 10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. (Except Saturday)	Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢
Morning - Saturdays Holidays and School Vacations only - 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon	Free Period for Children - 14 Years and Under. No adults admitted.
Daily - Afternoon - 2:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.	* Child - 10¢ Adults - 25¢ * 14 Years and Under
Daily - Evening 8:30 P.M. - 11:00 P.M.	Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢
Evening - Speed 6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. Monday, Wednesday and Friday	Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢
Evening - Figure Skating - 7:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday - and 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. Sundays	Child - \$1.00 Adult - \$1.00 with privilege to stay over for next period
Ice Shoe Skate Rentals	50¢

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1955

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The Department of Parks announces that ceremonies will be held in Battery Park, Manhattan, on Tuesday, October 4th at 11 A.M., dedicating a memorial plaque in tribute to Emma Lazarus, author of the New Colossus -- the sonnet inscribed on the Statue of Liberty.

The Federation of Jewish Women's Organizations, under whose auspices the ceremonies will be held, raised the funds for the plaque. The foundation stone under the plaque holds a lead capsule containing a hand-written scroll with the names of the 402 contributors.

The memorial has been erected on the promenade southwest of the Castle Clinton and the Park Department has designed an attractive foundation planting around the memorial consisting of 450 California Privet and 130 clumps of Stonecrop, a creeping evergreen.

Participating in the dedication ceremonies are: Honorable Robert F. Wagner, Mayor of the City of New York; Commissioner Robert Moses; Mrs. Ida Cook Farber, President of the Federation of Jewish Women's Organizations; Mrs. Isaac Gilman, Chairman of the Emma Lazarus Committee.

The invocation will be given by Rabbi Nathan A. Perilman of the Congregation Emanu'el, a prayer by Dr. De Sola Pool of the Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue, and Benediction by Dr. Israel Goldstein of B'Nai Jeshurun. Messages will also be given by the Reverend J. Franklin Ewing, S.J., Department of Archaeology, Fordham University and the Reverend Richard L. Evans, Minister of the Presbyterian

Labor Temple.

The plaque holds the following inscription:

A Tribute To

EMMA LAZARUS

Poet - Patriot

Author of the New Colossus

The Sonnet Inscribed on the Statue of Liberty

THE NEW COLOSSUS

NOT LIKE THE BRAZEN GIANT OF GREEK FAME,
WITH CONQUERING LIMBS ASTRIDE FROM LAND TO LAND
HERE AT OUR SEA-WASHED, SUNSET GATES SHALL STAND
A MIGHTY WOMAN WITH A TORCH, WHOSE FLAME
IS THE IMPRISONED LIGHTNING AND HER NAME
MOTHER OF EXILES, FROM HER BEACON-HAND
GLOWS WORLD-WIDE WELCOME: HER MILD EYES COMMAND
THE AIR-BRIDGES HARBOR THAT TWIN CITIES FRAME.
"KEEP ANCIENT LANDS, YOUR STORIED POMP!" CRIES SHE
WITH SILENT LIPS, "GIVE ME YOUR TIRED, YOUR POOR,
YOUR HUDDLED MASSES YEARNING TO BREATHE FREE.
THE WRETCHED REFUSE OF YOUR TEEMING SHORE.
SEND THESE, THE HOMELESS, TEMPEST-TOST TO ME.
I LIFT MY LAMP BESIDE THE GOLDEN DOOR!"

Presented By the
Federation of Jewish Women's Organizations, Inc.
On The Occasion Of The
American Jewish Tercentenary

This Foundation Stone Is The Gift Of The
State Of Israel

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FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1955

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The Department of Parks announces the opening of its 97 football fields on Saturday, October 1, 1955.

During the past few weeks Department of Parks personnel have engaged in reconditioning and laying out fields and erecting goal posts. Areas that but a short time ago teemed with baseball players will soon be swarming with pig-skin enthusiasts.

Seventeen of these 97 fields are in Manhattan, twenty-three in Brooklyn, thirteen in the Bronx, thirty-nine in Queens and five in Richmond. The demand for many of these fields is so great that their use must be regulated by the issuance of permits. Organized teams may secure permits by making application to the Department of Parks borough office of the borough in which they desire to play.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1955

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The Department of Parks announces the reopening of the Ice and Roller Skating Rink in the New York City Building at Flushing Meadow Park, Queens, on Saturday, October 1, 1955 at 10 A.M.

The City Building, built in 1939 and designed as a recreation center, was an integral part of the World's Fair. After the close of the World's Fair, the Park Department operated this facility as an ice and roller skating rink until 1946. From 1946 to 1951, it was used by the United Nations as temporary headquarters. In 1951 the facility was returned to the Department of Parks.

The program for this year includes seasonal carnivals at Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

During the last operating season, there were 290,194 admissions of which 28,248 were free admissions for children.

Flushing Meadow Park may be reached by the following transportation lines:

1. I.R.T. Subway to 111th Street Station, Flushing Division.
2. Flushing-Ridgewood (Bus Q-58) to Park.
3. Independent Subway Train - Roosevelt Avenue Station and transfer to Flushing Branch of I.R.T Subway.

The attached schedule of sessions and rates will be in effect.

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golf, roller skating, marbles, boxing, track and field, handball, horseshoe pitching, speed and figure skating, egg rolling, barber shop harmony, dancing, and fishing. Outdoor concerts and dances in the major parks during the summer months attracted an attendance of over 360,000 persons.

The Wollman Memorial outdoor ice skating rink in Central Park and Flushing Meadow ice and roller skating rinks were used by over 537,000 skaters, about 50,000 of these were children 14 years of age and under who were admitted to the free sessions on Saturday mornings and on mornings during the Easter and Christmas school vacations.

The existing St. Mary's Recreation Center in the Bronx with complete indoor recreational facilities and 25 other smaller centers are operated at hours suited to the needs of all age groups. In 1954 these centers averaged 10,000 daily. Centers such as these with their special facilities and attractive programs, must be provided for communities where other agencies do not have suitable facilities or where programs must be curtailed because of limited space available in buildings primarily designed for other purposes.

The budget dollars expended for parks and playgrounds benefits every man, woman and child and make our city a more attractive place in which to live, work, and play.

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Session Schedule and Rates

1955-56 Season

New York City Building

ROLLER SKATING

Sessions

Rates

Morning - Tuesday and Sunday only
10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Child - 50¢
Adult - 50¢

Morning - Saturday, Holidays and
School Vacations
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon.

Free period for
children - 14 years
and under - No
adults permitted

Daily - Afternoon
2:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.

Child - 25¢
Adult - 40¢

Evening - Figure & Dance
Tuesdays and Thursdays
7:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

Child - \$1.00
Adult - \$1.00
With stay over
privilege to
next session.

Daily - Evening
8:30 P.M. - 11:00 P.M.

Child - 50¢
Adult - 50¢

Spectators

General admission
charged for session.

ICE SKATING

Morning - Tuesday and Sunday only
10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Child - 50¢
Adult - 50¢

Morning - Saturday, Holidays
and School Vacations
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon

Free period for
children 14 yrs.
and under - No
adults permitted

Daily - Afternoon
2:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.

Child - 25¢
Adults - 40¢

Daily - Evening
8:30 P.M. - 11:00 P.M.

Child - 50¢
Adult - 50¢

Spectator

General admission
charged for session.

Evening - Speed
Tuesday, Thursday and
Saturdays
6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Child - 50¢
Adult - 50¢

Evening - Figure Skating
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
7:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.
Sunday morning 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

Child - \$1.00
Adult - \$1.00
With stay over
privilege to next
session.

Ice or Roller Shoe Skate Rental

50¢

Season Locker Rental

\$5.00

ICE AND ROLLER SHOE SKATES MAY BE RENTED AT ALL
GENERAL PAID SESSIONS EXCEPT FIGURE & DANCE, AND SPEED SESSIONS.

CLAMP-ON ROLLER SKATES MAY BE OBTAINED FREE AT ALL GENERAL SESSIONS,
EXCEPT FIGURE AND DANCE SESSIONS.

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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1955

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The Department of Parks announces that the current Roller Skating Season at Wollman Skating Rink, will terminate at the close of business, Tuesday, September 27, 1955.

The facility is located in the easterly side of Central Park at about 63d Street, west of Central Park Zoo and west of the 59th Street Lake, and is a gift to the City by Kate Wollman in memory of her parents.

Immediately after the closing of the rink, the necessary preparations will start for conversion of the facility for the ice skating season, scheduled to begin Saturday, October 8, 1955, weather permitting.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1955

1-1-30M-505074(55) 114

The Department of Parks announces that the fall schedule of operation will be in effect at the indoor recreation centers listed below:

Starting - Monday-September 19, 1955

ST. MARY'S RECREATION CENTER located at St. Ann's Avenue and East 144th St. in the Bronx, provides rooms for Manual Training, Music, Domestic Science, Boxing Instruction, Games, Arts and Crafts, Photography and Meeting Rooms. The Indoor Swimming Pool with lockers and shower rooms will also be available.

BROOKLYN WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION CENTER is located in S. Parkes Cadman Plaza Park, part of the Brooklyn Civic Center. The auditorium provides an area for quiet games and the lower rooms provide for Arts and Crafts, Wood Work, Table Tennis and Informal Dancing.

BROWNSVILLE RECREATION CENTER located at Linden Boulevard and Christopher Avenue, Brooklyn, provides rooms for Manual Training, Music, Domestic Science, Boxing Instruction, Games, Arts and Crafts, Photography and Meeting Rooms. The Indoor Swimming Pool with lockers and shower rooms will also be available.

Starting - Monday-September 26, 1955

CROMWELL CENTER located at Pier #6 in Richmond contains an area 80'x300' in which Basketball, Volleyball, Tennis and Badminton Courts are provided. There are also special rooms for Senior and Junior Games, Arts and Crafts, Boxing and Manual Training.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1955

MUNICIPAL COURT MEN'S DOUBLES WINNERS TO BE CROWNED

The finals of the 1st Annual Men's Doubles Tennis Tournament will be conducted by the Department of Parks on Friday, September 9 at 11 a.m. at the 93rd Street Tennis Courts in Central Park, 93rd Street and West Drive.

Charles Sager and Jan Klein will meet Wallace Kau and Ken Carter. All four finalists represented Manhattan in this tournament.

Photographs may be taken at the conclusion of the match.



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September 10, 1955

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The Department of Parks announces that the Wollman Memorial Skating Rink in Central Park, will reopen for public usage as an outdoor roller skating rink on Saturday, September 10, 1955. During the summer the rink was used as a free recreational facility, with fourteen shuffleboard courts in operation, and for dancing on Tuesday and Thursday Evenings. The sessions and rates are as follows:

- Afternoon Sessions: 2:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.
- Evening Sessions: 8:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.
- General Admission: 10¢

Persons bringing their own skates will be permitted to use them, provided they are equipped with fiber or wooden wheels.

The Park Department will rent clamp skates at 25¢ and shoe skates at 50¢ a session.

Located at the rear of the Central Park Zoo Cafeteria, opposite 64th Street, the rink may be reached by the B.M.T. to Fifth Avenue, the East Side I.R.T. to 59th Street, and the Independent Subway to Columbus Circle.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1955

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1-1-1-30M-505074(55) 114

The Department of Parks in cooperation with the F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Company will conduct the 5th Annual Mixed Twosome Championships for municipal course golfers at Split Rock Golf Course, Pelham Bay Park, Bronx, beginning at 10 a.m. on Sunday, September 11.

Play will consist of 18 holes of "scotch ball" medal play, the man to drive from odd numbered tees and the woman from even numbered tees, or vice versa. From tee to green partners will play every other shot. U.S.G.A. rules will govern all play and in case of ties, winners will be determined by matching score cards.

Competing in the tourney will be the man and woman from each of the ten municipal golf courses who turned in the lowest gross score in the Blind Bogey Tournament held August 28. The competitors and the courses they will represent on Sunday are as follows:

Dyker Beach, Brooklyn
Kenneth Benson
Josephine San Fillipo

Kissena, Queens
Dixon Young
Mrs. Ernie Hoffman

Van Cortlandt, Bronx
Nat Moson
Nancy Dalby

Forest Park, Queens
George Baskiel
Anita Datler

Mosholu, Bronx
James Manzone
Jane Dalziel

Clearview, Queens
Seward Wood
Frances Levy

Pelham, Bronx
Sydney Rothenberg
Frances Freid

Silver Lake, Richmond
George Siravo
Lucy Larsen

Split Rock, Bronx
William McIntyre
Rie T. Cassella

LaTourette, Richmond
Louis Pollaci
Helen Rappa

Prizes donated by the F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Company will be presented to the members of the winning twosome and runner-up twosome. A handsome team trophy will go the golf course represented by the winning team. This Schaefer Trophy will remain in competition until one golf course secures permanent possession by winning it three times. Split Rock has two legs on the trophy and Forest Park and Mosholu each have one.

Results of the competition may be obtained, or photographs taken, after 3 p.m. when competition will have been completed, at Split Rock Golf Course, City Island 8-1258.

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D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

SEPTEMBER 5, 1955

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1-1-30M-505074(59) 114

The Department of Parks announces that the State Department of Public Works will receive bids in the latter part of September on a contract for the construction of five rock jetties between Beach 36 Street and Beach 49 Street in the Far Rockaway section of Queens.

This work is being undertaken by the State of New York pursuant to Chapter 535 of the laws of 1945 as amended which provides for the protection and control of erosion along the shore front, the cost to be shared equally by the State and the local community affected. The estimated cost of this contract is \$900,000 and was approved by the Board of Estimate of the City of New York on July 21, 1955. The cost of this work will be shared equally by the City and the State. The contract includes replacing the wooden groins, which were inadequate to protect the beaches, with rock jetties which are more durable and resistant to hurricanes and storms, and incidental related work.

This is the first stage in the eventual plans for complete shore protection of the ocean beaches under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks and part of the comprehensive plans to provide a system of unified design to protect the Long Island ocean front from Jacob Riis Park to Long Beach in cooperation with the State of New York.

The location selected for the initial stage in this program

is an area where the most serious beach erosion has occurred and little or no beach remains at high tide. With the extension of the rock jetties beyond the present limit of the wooden groins it is expected that future beach erosion will be prevented in this area. Future plans include the restoration of the beach east and west of the first contract area.

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Mr. Starke



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE

1-1-30M-505074(55) 114

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1955

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The Naumburg Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Harry John Brown will give their fourth and final concert of the season at the Mall in Central Park on Labor Day evening, September 5 at 8:30 p.m. Louis Sgarro, basso, will be the guest soloist.

The program will be:

- 1. Overture 'Der Feischutz' von Weber
- 2. Dream Pantomime - 'Hansel and Gretel' Humperdinck
- 3. Aria - 'Ella giammai m'amo' - "Don Carlos". Verdi
Louis Sgarro
- 4. Indian Suite No. 2 MacDowell
 - a. Love Song
 - b. In War Time

INTERMISSION

- 5. Cortege de Bacchus Delibes
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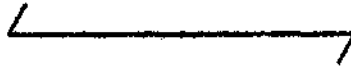
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The Naumburg Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Harry John Brown will give their fourth and final concert of the season at the Mall in Central Park on Labor Day evening, September 5 at 8:30 p.m. Louis Sgarro, basso, will be the guest soloist.

The program will be:

- 1. Overture 'Der Feischutz' von Weber
- 2. Dream Pantomime - 'Hansel and Gretel' Humperdinck
- 3. Aria - 'Ella giammai m'amo' - "Don Carlos". Verdi
Louis Sgarro
- 4. Indian Suite No. 2 MacDowell
 - a. Love Song
 - b. In War Time

I N T E R M I S S I O N

- 5. Cortege de Bacchus Delibes
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NAME BAND DANCE

The final three Name Band Dances under the stars conducted by the Department of Parks under the sponsorship of the Consolidated Edison Company will feature the music of Ralph Marterie and Roger King Mozian.

On Tuesday, August 30th at Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue, Queens, and again on Thursday, September 1, at the Wollman Memorial in Central Park, Name Band devotees will be delighted by the sweet, danceable music of Ralph Marterie and His Downbeat Orchestra.

The popular and famous Roger King Mozian and his colorful aggregation will appear at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx, on Wednesday, August 31. Colorful not only describes the music of Mozian and His Orchestra, but also their appearance. On all feature numbers the jackets of the bandsmen and leader, their music stands, mutes on the brass instruments and the conga drum literally light up. These articles have been delicately treated with a special coating to give this startling effect. All dances are from 8:30 to 10:30 P.M.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 1955

5TH ANNUAL BLIND BOGEY

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4000 golfers will tee off in the 5th Annual Blind Bogey Golf Tournament which will be conducted by the Department of Parks under the sponsorship of the F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Company on Sunday, August 28, at the ten municipal golf courses. First foursome will tee off at 6 A.M.

In the Blind Bogey competition, each golfer selected his or her own handicap at the time they filed their entry. The Blind Bogey figure is drawn at each course after the last player has completed his round of golf. The player whose net score is closest to the Blind Bogey is declared the winner. This type of competition gives each player, whether duffer or expert, or man or woman, an equal chance to win.

As in former years, the low gross winners, man and woman, from each course will qualify for the Mixed Twosome Championships, to be held at Split Rock Golf Course, Bronx, on Sunday, September 11.

Prizes donated by the F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Co. will be awarded at each course to the man and woman winning the Blind Bogey Competition and to the low gross man and woman.



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MODEL YACHT CONTEST

Enough canvas to race a full sized sail boat will be unfurled on Conservatory Lake on Saturday, August 27 at 2 P.M. when model yacht enthusiasts aged 17 years of age and under compete in the first regatta to be conducted by the Department of Parks in 10 years.

The contest is sponsored by the Terminal Barber Shops and the TV program, "This Is Your Time", on WPIX, Channel 11 every Wednesday evening at 10 P.M.

The boys and girls will compete in six classes determined by the length of the boats. Each competitor must own and sail the boat they enter into the contest.

The classes open to competition are:

- Class A ----- 12" to 18" boats
- Class B ----- 19" to 25" boats
- Class C ----- 26" to 32" boats
- Class D ----- 33" to 40" boats
- Class E ----- 41" to 50" boats
- Class F ----- Homebuilt Models to 30"

Winners of first, second, and third place in each event will be awarded medals donated by the Terminal Barber Shops.

Spectators are invited to attend and help whistle up a breeze in the event the young sailors are becalmed.

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1955

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The Department of Parks announces the completion and opening to the general public of a playground located at Guerlain Street between Theriot and Taylor Avenues, adjacent to P.S. 102, in the Bronx.

This 1.578 acre playground is located in the West Farms section of the Bronx and will provide recreational facilities for the residents of the community as well as for the pupils of P.S. 102.

Divided into two sections for control purposes, the northerly section contains an area for pre-school age children with slides, swings, sand pit, see saws, shower basin and a comfort station, and an area for older children with handball courts and play apparatus. The southerly section provides for a soft-ball area, roller skating area and practice basketball courts.

In accordance with the policy of joint operation the area for pre-school age children will be operated by the Department of Parks at all times, and the area for older children will be operated by the Board of Education during school hours and by the Department of Parks at other times.

With the addition of the playground there are now 643 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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HARVEST DANCE CONTEST

The Department of Parks will conduct the 14th Annual Harvest Dance Contest at the Mall in Central Park on Thursday evening, August 25 at 8:30 p.m.

The contestants will be couples who finished in first, second, or third place in eliminations held in each of the five boroughs during the past two weeks. They will compete in the fox-trot, waltz, rhumba, and jitterbug. The winners in these divisions will also compete for the All 'Round Championship which follows immediately after the judges have made their selections.

David Carroll and his Mercury recording orchestra will provide the music for the dancers and will entertain the spectators during intermissions.

Prizes donated by the Consolidated Edison Company will be awarded couples finishing first and second in each event.

The public is invited to attend. There is no charge for admission.

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Thousands of urban counterparts of Tom Sawyer and Betty Thatcher, ranging from 10 to 16 years of age, will compete in the 6th Annual Junior Fishing Contest to be conducted by the Department of Parks on Friday, August 19 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 14 salt water and 11 fresh water fishing locations.

At 3 p.m. the boy and girl catching the heaviest fish at each location will meet at the south end of the 72nd Street Lake in Central Park where the judging for the Grand Awards will take place. The boy and girl catching the heaviest fish of the day in both the salt and fresh water divisions will be presented special prizes.

Prizes will also be awarded to the boy and girl catching the heaviest fish of the day at each location.

This event is part of a nationwide Better Fishing Program for boys and girls. It is sponsored by the Better Fishing Inc. a non-profit, non-commercial organization formed by a group of sportsmen for the purpose of fostering fishing as a hobby among youngsters. Over five million boys and girls throughout America will benefit from participation in this program during the present year.

In New York City the contest will be conducted at the following locations:

Manhattan

- Hudson River at 83d Street
- Hudson River at 92nd Street
- Hudson River at 164th Street

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Brooklyn

Canarsie Pier, Foot of Rockaway Parkway
Coney Island, Steeplechase Pier, West 16th Street
Plum Beach, Shore Parkway, east of Knapp Street
Shore Road, south of Fort Hamilton at 16th Avenue

Bronx

Pelham Bay Park - Stonebridge, northeast of Orchard Beach
connecting Hunter and Twin Islands
Pelham Bay Park - Talapoosa Point, adjacent to Eastchester
Bay Bridge at Shore Road

Queens

Little Neck Bay, 28th Avenue, Bayside
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Richmond

Great Kills Beach, Hylan Boulevard, south of Gulon Avenue

FRESH WATER

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Central Park, 72nd Street Lake

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Prospect Park Lake west of Lincoln Road Entrance

Bronx

Van Cortlandt Park Lake, east of 242nd Street and Broadway

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Willow Lake, Grand Central Parkway and Horace Harding Blvd.

Richmond

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Wolfe's Pond, Hylan Blvd. and Cornelia Avenue

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heaviest fish at each location. A special Better Fishing Grand Award will go to the boy and girl catching the heaviest fish of the day in both the fresh and salt water divisions. Judging for the Grand Awards will take place at 3 p.m. at the south end of the 72nd Street Lake in Central Park on the day of the contest.

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This week's Name Band Dances in New York City parks will feature the music of Claude Thornhill, Roger King Mozian, David Carrol, and Bennie Green.

The dances are conducted by the Department of Parks from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. each evening and are made available to the public through the sponsorship of the Consolidated Edison Company. There is no charge for admission.

Bennie Green and his orchestra make their first appearance on the Name Band Dance schedule on Monday, August 22 at Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan.

Claude Thornhill and his orchestra will play for two dances appearing Tuesday, August 23 at 34th Avenue and 77th Street in Jackson Heights, Queens, and on Wednesday, August 24th at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx. Claude Thornhill, composer-arranger and pianist par-excellence offers new and exciting dance music plus a full musical revue that adds up to some wonderful entertainment for Name Band Dance fans.

David Carroll and his Mercury recording orchestra will play on Thursday, August 25 at the Mall in Central Park, 72nd St. and Center Drive. This is also a "First Night" for the Carroll aggregation.

Roger King Mozian and his orchestra will play for the Friday, August 26th dance at Prospect Park, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn.

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Two special concerts by visiting musical groups have been scheduled at the Mall in Central Park this week.

The Concert Band of the 100 member Sexton High School Band of Lansing, Michigan, directed by Hal Bergen, will play on Monday evening, August 22 at 8:30 p.m.

The Y.M.C.A. Dance Band and Glee Club of New Britain, Connecticut under the direction of Samuel R. Contanzo, will give their concert on Thursday, August 24 at 8:00 p.m.

The Sexton High School Band played at the Mall three years ago. They have participated in the past two Presidential Inaugurals, the Philadelphia Music Festival and on many other occasions of national interest. Their program for Monday will be:

SEXTON BAND - CENTRAL PARK CONCERT

- March of the Steel Men - Belsterling
- March from Tannhauser - Wagner
- Til Eulenspiegel's Merry Pranks - Strauss
- Concerto for Clarinet and Band - Weber
- Played by four clarinets - John Kostoff, Dave Fisher, Ann Hudson, Douglas Brockhouse
- The Polka Dots - Cornet Trio with band - Buchtel
- Played by Brian Burns, Richard Kellog, Kieth Uren
- Scotch Suite - Davis
- The Nutmeggers - Osterling
- Colorama - Arr. by Yoder
- Marimba Capers - Caneva
- Ron Darling
- Horse and Buggy - Anderson
- Joshua - Yoder
- Hollywood Serenade - Davis

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March - Shenandoah - Goldman
Barn Dance from the Plainsman - McKay
Little Joe the Wrangler - Davis
March - The Standard of St. George - Alford
March - On the Mall - Goldman

The Y.M.C.A. Dance Band and Glee Club of New Britain, Conn.
is a group of 50 musicians and vocalists who perform in variety
groups - dance band, Dixieland band, glee club, and several soloists.
Their program will be:

BAND

Thunderer
Washington Post
Stars and Stripes
Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom White
Artistry Jumps
I've Got My Love to Keep Me Warm
Lean Baby
Intermission Riff
Doncha Go Way Mad
In The Mood

GLEE CLUB

Hernandos Hideaway
Salute to Statue of Liberty
This is My Country
Swing Low Sweet Chariot
You'll Never Walk Along
Moon of Manachoura

BAND AND GLEE CLUB

Dream
I'll See You In My Dreams
Unchained Melody

SOLOISTS

Silk Stockings Joe DiDomenico
Ruby " "
That Old Black Magic Edward Miffen
The Girl Next Door " "
Rachmaninoff's Prelude in C#Minor Paul Chopnowski
Bethoven's Moonlight Sonata " "

MIFFLEN BROTHERS (TRIPLETS)

Something's Got To Give
Sincerely
Earth Angel
Hey Senorita

DIXIE LAND BAND

Washington and Lee
After You've Gone
When My Baby Walks Down The Street



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Entries are now being accepted for the 5th Annual Blind Bogey Golf Tournament and Mixed Twosome Championship to be conducted under the auspices of the F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Company and the Department of Parks at the 10 municipal golf courses beginning Sunday, August 28. Registration is limited to 400 at each course. Entries must be filed on or before Monday, August 22 at the course at which the contestant will play.

The Blind Bogey competition, consisting of 18 holes of medal play on August 28, offers the public links golfer two unique opportunities - first, the "country club" privilege of reserved time for teeing off and second, the duffer competes on an equal footing with the low scoring golfer.

Each golfer chooses his own handicap and at the close of competition the player whose net score with his chosen handicap is closest to the Blind Bogey, will be declared the winner.

The low gross winners, one man and one woman from each course, will compete in the Mixed Twosome Championships on Sunday, September 11 at Split Rock Golf Course in the Bronx. In this competition of 18 holes of medal play, the man will drive from odd-numbered tees, the woman from even-numbered tees, or vice versa, and from tee to green partners play every other shot.

Handsome prizes donated by the F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Co.

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will be awarded at each course to the winner of the men's and women's Blind Bogey Competitions and to the low gross man and low gross woman. The Mixed Twosome Competition will be for the Schaefer Trophy with prizes being awarded to the winning team and runners-up.

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The Department of Parks announces two concerts of jazz music to be given at the Mall during the coming week.

On Wednesday, August 17 at 8:30 p.m. a World Jazz Festival, made possible by the Music Performance Trust Funds of the American Federation of Musicians, will feature Owen Engel and an all star band of instrumentalists from well known orchestras. Their program will include music by composers from France, Finland, Italy, Japan, Holland, Switzerland, Turkey, and the United States. Billy Byers will be a featured vocalist.

Consul Hideki Masaki, Consulate General of Japan will make a brief opening address and Vice Consul Henri Bourgues of France will speak during the intermission.

On Friday, August 19 at 8:30 p.m., the Summer Festival Committee and Al "Jazzbo" Collins of N.B.C. will present groups of jazz musicians headed by such artists as Larry Sonn one of the foremost jazz musicians of Mexico for the past 12 years, who is in the United States as an unofficial goodwill ambassador of the President of Mexico's aide, Colonel Vega; Al Cohn, R. C. A. Victor's "Mr. Music" and an outstanding jazz performer and arranger: Hal McKusick and Don Elliot, Bethlehem's recording stars; and Miss Teddy King of R. C. A. Victor record fame.

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Entries will be accepted through Wednesday, August 17 for the 6th Annual Junior Fishing Contest to be conducted by the Department of Parks, in collaboration with the National Better Fishing Program for Boys and Girls on Friday, August 19 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 14 salt water and 11 fresh water fishing locations.

The contest is open to boys and girls 10 to 16 years of age who reside in New York City. They may enter at only one location and must supply their own bait and equipment. No casting will be permitted.

Entries may be filed at Department of Parks borough offices, playgrounds, and fishing areas.

The National Better Fishing Program is sponsored by Better Fishing Inc., a non-profit, non-commercial organization formed to foster sports fishing and ideals of conservation among youngsters. They believe the sport develops appreciation of nature and good sportsmanship and results in a hobby that can be enjoyed throughout life.

The contest will be conducted at the following locations:

SALT WATER

Manhattan

Hudson River at 83rd Street
Hudson River at 92nd Street
Hudson River at 164th Street

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Salt Water (cont'd)

Brooklyn

Canarsie Pier, Foot of Rockaway Parkway
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This summer's tour by the Department of Parks Marionette Theatre will terminate with a schedule of 17 free performances of "Hansel and Gretel" at 15 locations in Manhattan. Included on the schedule is a special performance on August 30 at 10 a.m. for children confined to Bellevue Hospital.

"Hansel and Gretel" as presented by the Park Puppeteers is wonderful entertainment for youngsters. Children who missed seeing the show in their own borough, may attend a performance in a Manhattan park many of which are easily reached from all sections of the city.

A pleasant outing could be arranged for youngsters on days when performances are scheduled at parks with swimming pools (marked on schedule with an asterisk*) or on August 23 when the Park Puppeteers will give two performances in Central Park where the zoo, carousel, pony rides, and row boating offer additional fun for children.

The performances in Manhattan are scheduled as follows:

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| Fri. | Aug. 19 | 2:30 p.m. | East River Park, East River Drive at 6th Street |
| Mon. | Aug. 22 | 2:30 p.m. | *Hamilton Fish Playground, Stanton and Pitt Streets |
| Tues. | Aug. 23 | 11:00 a.m.
2:30 p.m. | Heckscher Playground, 63rd St. & West Drive in Central Park |

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Wed.	Aug. 24	2:30 p.m.	Amsterdam Houses Playground, 63rd Street, west of Amsterdam Avenue
Thurs.	Aug. 25	11:00 a.m. 2:30 p.m.	J. Hood Wright Playground, 173rd Street and Ft. Washington Avenue
Fri.	Aug. 26	2:30 p.m.	Lincoln Houses Playground, 5th Ave. & 135th Street
Mon.	Aug. 29	2:30 p.m.	*J. Jay Playground, Cherokee Pl. and E. 76 St., and East River Drive
Tues.	Aug. 30	10:00 a.m. 2:30 p.m.	Bellevue Hospital, parking lot east of Hospital Chelsea Playground, 28th St. between 8th & 9th Avenues
Wed.	Aug. 31	2:30 p.m.	*Colonial Park, 146th St. & Bradhurst Ave.
Thurs.	Sept. 1	2:30 p.m.	Mt. Morris East, 123rd Street and Madison Avenue
Fri.	Sept. 2	2:30 p.m.	*Highbridge Playground, 173rd St. & Amsterdam Avenue
Tues.	Sept. 6	2:30 p.m.	*Thomas Jefferson Playground, 112th St. and First Avenue
Wed.	Sept. 7	2:30 p.m.	Playground at 83rd Street and Riverside Drive, lawn area northwest of playground
Thurs.	Sept. 8	2:30 p.m.	Inwood Playground, Isham Street and Seaman Avenue

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Entries are still being accepted from boys and girls 17 years of age and under for the Model Yacht Contest to be conducted by the Department of Parks at Conservatory Lake, 72nd Street and Fifth Avenue in Central Park on Saturday, August 27 at 2 p.m.

Boats with overall lengths of 12" to 50" from bow to stern, not including bowsprit, are eligible for the competition. The youngsters competing must own and sail the boats they enter. Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Department of Parks borough offices and playgrounds.

The contest is the first in ten years to be conducted by the Department of Parks and was made possible through the cooperation of the Terminal Barber Shops and the TV program, "This Is Your Time" on WPIX, Channel 11, on Wednesday evenings at 10 p.m.

Competition will be conducted in six classes:
Class A -----12" to 18" boat; Class B -----19" to 25"; Class C ---26" to 32"; Class D ----33" to 40"; Class E ----41" to 50"; Class F ---- Homebuilt models to 30". Contestants may enter Class F in addition to other classes if their boats are homebuilt models.

Contestants must apply at the Judge's booth at the Conservatory Lake Boathouse not later than 1 p.m. on the day of the races for measuring boats and assigning of race numbers.

The Terminal Barber Shops have donated the medals to be awarded to winners of first, second, and third place in each event.

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of repairs to the Governor Alfred E. Smith Memorial in Manhattan.

The memorial which stands between two playgrounds in the Alfred E. Smith Housing Project, was dedicated on July 1, 1950.

The repairs made necessary by vandalism included the rehabilitation of the granite work, removing the old letters, and installing three new solid bronze plaques which bear the original inscription.

The "Governor Alfred E. Smith Memorial Fund" original sponsor of the statue, was re-activated in December 1954 for the purpose of raising funds to pay for these repairs. The generous response to this appeal by old friends and other public-spirited citizens not alone made it possible to restore the Monument, but also paid for some urgently needed repairs to the Cherry and Oliver Street Gymnasium located in the Alfred E. Smith Housing Project.

It is hoped that in the future the "Old Neighborhood" will take a more active interest in protecting this memorial to a distinguished American statesman whose intelligent foresight made possible the changes so evident today in Governor Smith's old home neighborhood.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 1955

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NAME BAND DANCES

Dance Music in great variety will be heard on this week's schedule of six Name Band Dances in New York City parks. These free dances are conducted by the Department of Parks and are provided as a public service by the Consolidated Edison Company. They are held out-of-doors on weekday evenings from 8:30 to 10:30 P.M.

Buddy Morrow and his orchestra will play for two of the dances, appearing Monday evening, August 15 at Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue in Manhattan and on Tuesday evening, August 16 at Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue, Glendale, Queens. The big beat of Buddy Morrow, his trombone, and his orchestra offers listenable, danceable rhythms that the public wants to hear. Featured vocalists are Dorothy Kae and Jeffrey Lowell.

Charlie Peterson and his "smooth rhythm" orchestra, longtime favorites with Name Band Dance fans, will play Wednesday evening, August 17, at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.

The second dance to be held on Wednesday, August 17, will feature the music of Eddie De Luna at Cromwell Recreation Center, Murray Hulbert Avenue and Hannah Street, Tompkinsville, Richmond.

Richard Maltby and his orchestra will also play for two dances this week - at Wollman Memorial, Central Park on Thursday, August 18 and at Prospect Park, Prospect Park West and 11th Street in Brooklyn on Friday, August 19. Richard Maltby wrote the famous "Six Flats Unfurnished" - the first Benny Goodman record to hit the million plus

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mark in sales. "St. Louis Blues Mambo", Maltby's first record as a recording bandleader for R.C.A. Victor Label "X" repeated his Goodman record's success. Maltby is an accomplished performer on the trumpet.

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MUSIC AND DANCING IN NEW YORK CITY PARKS THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 14
8:30 p.m.

- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Final Concert of season

Monday, August 15
8:30 p.m.

- Colonial Park, 146th St. and Bradhurst Ave., Manhattan - Name Band Dance* - Buddy Morrow and his orchestra

Tuesday, August 16
8:30 p.m.

- Victory Field, Woodhaven Blvd. & Myrtle Avenue, Glendale, Queens - Name Band Dance* - Buddy Morrow and his orchestra

8:30 p.m.

- Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands

8:30 p.m.

- Harlem Meer, Central Park - 110th Street and Fifth Avenue - Concert - Latin American Music Yayo El Indio and his orchestra

12 Noon to
1:30 p.m.

- Battery Park - Concert sponsored by the Downtown Manhattan Assn.

Wednesday, August 17
8:30 p.m.

- Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx - Name Band Dance* - Charles Peterson and his orchestra

8:30 p.m.

- Cromwell Recreation Center, Murray Hulbert Avenue and Hannah Street, Richmond - Name Band Dance* - Eddie DeLuna and his orchestra

Thursday, August 18
8:30 p.m.

- Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Name Band Dance* Richard Maltby and his orchestra

Friday, August 19
8:30 p.m.

- Prospect Park, Prospect Park West and 11th St., Brooklyn - Name Band Dance* - Richard Maltby and his orchestra

8:30 p.m.

- Riverside Drive and 104th Street, Manhattan - Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands

*Name Band Dances sponsored by Consolidated Edison Company

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 1955

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For the first time in a decade, New York City's young sailors will be able to compete in a model yacht regatta in Central Park. A six class schedule of races will be conducted by the Department of Parks at Conservatory Lake, 72nd Street and Fifth Avenue, on Saturday, August 27 at 2 P.M.

The regatta is made possible through the sponsorship of the Terminal Barber Shops and the TV program, "This Is Your Time" on WPIX, Channel 11, every Wednesday evening at 10 P.M.

Any boy or girl 17 years of age and under may enter a sailboat in any of the six classes provided they own and sail the boat themselves. Entries may be filed at all Department of Parks borough offices and playgrounds in the five boroughs.

The six classes of competition will be:

- CLASS A 12" to 18" boats
- CLASS B 19" to 25" boats
- CLASS C 26" to 32" boats
- CLASS D 33" to 40" boats
- CLASS E 41" to 50" boats
- CLASS F Homebuilt Models to 30"

Contestants may enter Class F in addition to other classes if their boats are homebuilt models. Boats will be measured for overall length from stern to bow, not including bowsprit, at the Judge's booth not later than 1 P.M. on the day of the races.

Medals donated by the Terminal Barber Shops will be awarded to first, second, and third place winners in each event.

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 1955

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A summer dance and music festival at the Brownsville Recreation Center has been arranged for the entertainment of the entire community under the auspices of the Brownsville Boys Club and the American Federation of Musicians, Local 802. The concert will be given on Thursday, August 11 at 8:30 p.m. and the dance on Tuesday, August 30 at 8:30 p.m.

The concert, a miniature "Music Under the Stars" evening will be presented by a symphony orchestra of stellar professional musicians under the direction of Will Lorin, musical director of the Ford "Omnibus" TV show. Music for the dance will be provided by an all star band.

These evenings of musical entertainment were made possible through the Music Performance Funds of the Recording Industries.

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MUSIC AND DANCING IN NEW YORK CITY PARKS THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 7

8:30 p.m.

- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Sousa Program

Monday, August 8

8:30 p.m.

- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - English Music

Tuesday, August 9

8:30 p.m.

- Playground, 34th Avenue and 77th Street - Jackson Heights, Queens Name Band Dance* - Ernie Rudy and his orchestra

8:30 p.m.

- Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands

8:30 p.m.

- Harlem Meer, 110th Street and Fifth Avenue, Central Park - Concert - Latin American Music - Tito Rodriguez and his orchestra

12 Noon to 1:30 p.m.

- Battery Park - Concert - Sponsored by the Downtown Manhattan Association

Wednesday, August 10

8:30 p.m.

- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Wagnerian Program

8:30 p.m.

- Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx - Name Band Dance* - Ernie Rudy and his orchestra

Thursday, August 11

8:30 p.m.

- Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road Entrance Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band and Russian Music

8:30 p.m.

- Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Name Band Dance Ernie Rudy and his orchestra

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Friday, August 12

- 8:30 p.m. - Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Tchaikovsky Program
- 8:30 p.m. - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th St., Brooklyn - Name Band Dance* - Charles Peterson and his orchestra
- 8:30 p.m. - Riverside Drive and 104th Street - Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands

Saturday, August 13

- 8:30 p.m. - Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road Entrance - Final Guggenheim Memorial Concert of the season in Prospect Park - All request program - Goldman Band

*Name Band Dances are sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company

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This week's Name Band Dances in New York City parks will feature the music of Ernie Rudy and Charles Peterson.

These free dances are conducted out-of-doors from 8:30 to 10:30 P.M. by the Department of Parks under the sponsorship of the Consolidated Edison Company.

The Ernie Rudy Orchestra, the band all America wants to hear, will play for three dances: Tuesday, August 9th at Jackson Heights, 34th Avenue and 77th Street, Queens; Wednesday, August 10th at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx; and Thursday, August 11th at the Wollman Memorial in Central Park.

Heading the aggregation is Ernie Rudy, popularly known as the daffy drummer. Featured in the band and stars in their own right are Don Rogers, Chubby Silvers, Charlie Wilson and Phil Gilbert. Their talents are exploited to the fullest in bringing high entertainment plus excellent dancing. Also in the singing department are the Three Merry Men and the Rudy Choir.

On Friday, August 12th, Charlie Peterson and his "smooth rhythm" orchestra will play in Prospect Park, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn.

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New York City's biggest fishing rodeo for boys and girls will be held on Friday, August 19 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. when the Department of Parks conducts the 6th Annual Junior Fishing Contest at 14 salt water and 11 fresh water fishing locations. Entry blanks are available at Department of Parks borough offices, playgrounds, and fishing areas.

The contest is part of the National Better Fishing Program for boys and girls 10 to 16 years of age, sponsored by Better Fishing, Inc., a non-profit, non-commercial organization engaged in encouraging sports fishing among youngsters.

The contestants must reside in New York City and supply their own bait and equipment. They may enter at only one location. No casting will be permitted and all fishing must be from shores or piers of the fishing locations.

The sites selected for the competition are:

SALT WATER

Manhattan

Hudson River at 83rd Street
Hudson River at 92nd Street
Hudson River at 164th Street

Brooklyn

Canarsie Pier, Foot of Rockaway Parkway
Coney Island, Steeplechase Pier, West 16th Street
Plum Beach, Shore Parkway, east of Knapp Street
Shore Road, south of Fort Hamilton at 16th Avenue

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Bronx

Pelham Bay Park - Stonebridge, northeast of Orchard Beach connecting Hunter and Twin Islands
Pelham Bay Park - Talapoosa Point, adjacent to Eastchester Bay Bridge at Shore Road

Queens

Little Neck Bay, 28th Avenue, Bayside
Francis Lewis Park, East River and 147th Street
Cross Bay Blvd. Bridge, 1st Bridge south of Shore Parkway
Jacob Riis Park, north side, east of Marine Park Bridge

Richmond

Great Kills Beach, Hylan Boulevard, south of Guion Avenue

FRESH WATER

Manhattan

Central Park, 72nd Street Lake

Brooklyn

Prospect Park Lake -- west of Lincoln Road Entrance

Bronx

Van Cortlandt Park Lake, east of 242nd Street and Broadway

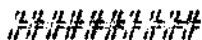
Queens

Alley Pond Park, Harding Blvd. and Cross Island Parkway
Kissena Park Lake, Rose Avenue and 160th Street
Baisley Park Lake, Sutphin and Baisley Blvds.
Oakland Lake, Springfield Blvd. and 47th Avenue
Willow Lake, Grand Central Parkway and Horace Harding Blvd.

Richmond

Cloves Lake (Martling), Victory Blvd. and Clove Road
Willowbrook Park Lake, Victory Blvd. and Richmond Avenue
Wolfe's Pond, Hylan Blvd. and Cornelia Avenue

Prizes will be presented to the boy and girl catching the heaviest fish at each location. A special Better Fishing Grand Award will go to the boy and girl catching the heaviest fish of the day in both the fresh and salt water divisions. Judging for the Grand Awards will take place at 3 p.m. at the south end of the 72nd Street Lake in Central Park on the day of the contest.



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The Department of Parks announces the opening of a new playground, adjacent to P. S. 215, from Grassmere Terrace to Briar Place, east of Hanson Court in the Borough of Queens.

Located in the Far Rockaway section of Queens, this new 1.275-acre playground will serve the needs of the residents of the local community as well as the pupils of P. S. 215.

Divided into two sections for control purposes, the easterly section provides for basketball, roller skating, shuffleboard and handball, and the westerly section contains an area for pre-school age children with a jungle gym, slides, see-saws, sandpit, showers, and a comfort station.

In accordance with the policy of joint operation, the older children's area will be operated by the Board of Education during school hours and by the Department of Parks at all other times.

With the addition of this playground there are now 642 playgrounds in the park system.

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BLIND SENIOR CITIZENS INVITED TO ATTEND
FISHING TOURNAMENT

"The big one that got away" may win some lucky angler a portable radio August 9th at one of the most unusual fishing tournaments ever scheduled for senior citizens of the metropolitan area.

The Park Department has made the Steeplechase Pier at Coney Island available for an all-day outing planned by the Home for the Aged Blind of the N. Y. Guild for the Jewish Blind. Guests will be blind men and women over 60 years of age from all five boroughs who are invited to make reservations by telephoning the Guild Headquarters (Circle 6-3341) between now and Monday noon, August 8th.

Not only will the angler who claims the "biggest one that got away" receive a prize, but \$25 will go to the person who actually lands the biggest fish. There will also be awards for the men and women who catch the smallest fish -- to be measured of course by microscopic inspection.

Guests will be picked up by chartered buses at Guild Headquarters, 1880 Broadway (62nd Street) at 9:30 after partaking of coffee and doughnuts which will be served starting at 9 AM. The fishing tournament will begin at Steeplechase Pier at 10:30, and weighing and judging of the morning's catch will commence at noon. After

the awards have been presented to the winning fishermen and women, the Guild's Home for the Aged Blind will entertain the party at lunch at a nearby restaurant, adjacent to the pier. Following the luncheon, guests will return to the Guild for refreshments at 2:30 PM.

The Guild Home for the Aged Blind, located at Yonkers is one of the projects operated by the 41-year-old N. Y. Guild for the Jewish Blind, dedicated to serving blind people regardless of race, creed or national origin. The Guild also conducts a complete recreational program for blind men and women of all ages at its N. Y. headquarters at 1880 Broadway. Although this will be one of the major outings of the summer program, similar trips are scheduled on a smaller scale throughout the year to points of interest.

The senior Citizens Fishing Tournament was planned by residents of the Home for the Aged Blind to give other elderly blind men and women an opportunity for change in their often-monotonous summertime routine. Going along with the guests will be members of the Guild's recreational staff, counselors and a nurse.

Friends and relatives of blind senior citizens are requested to tell them that they are invited to the outing and may phone the Guild for reservations.

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The second half of this season's series of fifty-four Name Band Dances gets off to a fine start with six dances scheduled this week. Two dances will be in Manhattan, two dances on Wednesday - one in the Bronx and one in Richmond, and one dance each for Brooklyn and Queens.

The dances are sponsored as a public service by the Consolidated Edison Company and are conducted by the Department of Parks. All dances are free and are held from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

This week's schedule will be:

Monday, August 1 - Billy Clark and his orchestra will play at Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue.

Tuesday, August 2 - Johnny Long and his orchestra will play at Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue, Glendale, Queens.

Wednesday, August 3 - Johnny Long and his orchestra will play at Cromwell Recreation Center, Murray Hulbert Avenue and Hannah Street, Tompkinsville, Richmond; and Richard Maltby and his orchestra will play at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.

Thursday, August 4 - Johnny Long and his orchestra at the Wollman Memorial, Central Park.

Friday, August 5 - Eddie Grady and the Commanders will play at Prospect Park, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn. This is the first appearance of Decca Records great new dance band on this series. The band achieves a sound that is unique and different through Camarata arrangements and Eddie's drum tempos.



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MUSIC & DANCING IN NEW YORK CITY PARKS THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 31

- 8:30 p.m. - Mall, Central Park - Naumburg Memorial Concert -
Thor Johnson, Conductor; Emanuel Vardi,
Violinist, Soloist

Monday, Aug. 1

- 8:30 p.m. - Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial
Concert - Goldman Band - Beethoven Program
- 8:30 p.m. - Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst Ave.,
Manhattan - Name Band Dance* - Billy Clark
and his orchestra

Tuesday, Aug. 2

- 8:30 p.m. - Victory Field, Woodhaven Blvd. & Myrtle Avenue,
Glendale, Queens - Name Band Dance* -
Johnny Long and his orchestra
- 8:30 p.m. - Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Square Dance -
Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands
- 8:30 p.m. - Harlem Meer, Central Park - 110th Street and
Fifth Avenue - Concert - Latin-American Music
Vincentico Valdes and his Orchestra
- 8:00 p.m. - East River Park Amphitheatre - East River Drive
and Corlear Street - Concert - American
Federation of Musicians, Local 802
- 12 Noon to
1:30 p.m. - Battery Park - Concert sponsored by the
Downtown Manhattan Assn.

Wednesday, Aug. 3

- 8:30 p.m. - Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert
Goldman Band - Music Memory Contest
- 8:30 p.m. - Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse,
Bronx - Name Band Dances* - Richard Maltby
and his orchestra

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Wednesday, Aug. 3

- 8:30 p.m. - Cromwell Recreation Center, Murray Hulbert Avenue and Hannah Street, Richmond - Name Band Dance* - Johnny Long and his orchestra

Thursday, Aug. 4

- 8:30 p.m. - Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road Entrance - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Light Opera Program
- 8:30 p.m. - Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Name Band Dance* Johnny Long and his orchestra

Friday, Aug. 5

- 8:30 p.m. - Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Light Opera Program
- 8:30 p.m. - Prospect Park, Prospect Park West and 11th St., Brooklyn - Name Band Dance* - Ed Grady and the Commanders
- 8:30 p.m. - Riverside Drive and 104th Street, Manhattan - Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands

Saturday, Aug. 6

- 8:30 p.m. - Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road Entrance Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - American Music
- 8:30 p.m. - Mall, Central Park - Concert - City Symphony Orchestra - Franz Bibo conducting; Joshua Hecht, Bass-Baritone, soloist

*Name Band Dances sponsored by Consolidated Edison Company



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On Sunday evening, July 31 at 8:30 p.m. the Naumburg Orchestra will present a special memorial concert at the Mall in Central Park in memory of Mr. Elkan Naumburg who donated the bandstand on the Mall to the City of New York.

The orchestra will be under the direction of Thor Johnson and Emanuel Vardi, violinist, will be guest soloist.

The program will be:

Wachet Auf Bach-Salomon
(In memory of ELKAN NAUMBURG, Founder of these Concerts)

- 1. Overture -- "Academic Festival" Brahms
- 2. Midsummer Night's Vigil Alfven
- 3. Concerto -- B Minor Handel

EMANUEL VARDI

- 4. Suite "The Comedians" Kabalevsky

INTERMISSION

- 5. Slavonic Dances -- No. 8 and 15 Dvorak
- 6. Suite on American Folk Tunes Vardi

- 1 -- The Unconstant Lover
- 2 -- I Will and I Must Get Married
- 3 -- The Wayfaring Stranger
- 4 -- On the Banks of the Old Pee Dee

EMANUEL VARDI

- 7. March Slav Tchaikovsky

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Attached is a letter from Commissioner Moses to
Comptroller Gerosa in reference to the Seton Hospital site
in the Bronx in answer to the release from the Comptroller's
office on July 20, 1955.

July 22, 1955



ROBERT MOSES
COMMISSIONER

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL
64TH STREET AND FIFTH AVENUE
CENTRAL PARK
NEW YORK 21, N. Y.

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CHIEF PARK ADMINISTRATOR

July 21, 1955

Honorable Lawrence E. Gerosa
Comptroller
Municipal Building
New York 7, N. Y.

Dear Larry:

You are the first Comptroller in my memory to claim that the City is so busted that it has to sell publicly owned land needed for parks to balance the budget.

What you publish about Riverdale will amaze and astonish your neighbors. You state that it is a community of big open spaces and small individually owned houses and gardens. You mean it used to be. If you are talking about people, there are today more people shackled up in apartment houses in Riverdale than in homes. The overwhelming majority now rent.

No other section of the city has grown so fast and with so blind an eye to the future. Our zoning resolution is quite inadequate. We could only hold down population and jack up standards a little because the influence of the real estate, subdivision and development boys was too great.

What you say about adequate nearby parks is equally misleading. How would you like to trundle a baby carriage or some elderly limbs down the hills to the Hudson or a mile or so down the steep escarpment to Van Cortlandt Park? Why mix up a school playground shared with the Park Department in off hours with a park open to the public at all times?

As to Neponsit, do you really think small private houses should be built right inside a city park surrounded on three sides by park land and beach front? Are we that busted? What makes Rockaway attractive anyway? Obviously the parks and public beaches. And what has the percentage of non-taxpaying land to do with it? Do you advocate selling city streets and waterfront? Why not auction off a big chunk of Bronx Park?

The Comptroller no doubt is traditionally the watchdog of the treasury. But he is more than an auditor. He has three votes in the Board of Estimate and some influence on other votes. No matter what pressure is brought to bear by real estate manipulations and

Honorable Lawrence E. Gerosa

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champions of free enterprise, the Comptroller has a responsibility to make the town a decent place to live in. Maybe that would be good, sound long-range economy.

Sincerely,

S/ Robert Moses

Commissioner

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
NEW YORK 7, N. Y.

LAWRENCE E. GEROSA, COMPTROLLER

NEWS RELEASE - JULY 20, 1955

New York Comptroller Lawrence E. Gerosa today said that because there are 96 acres of Riverdale Park acquired for development directly across the street from the Seton Hospital site at Palisade Avenue and West 232nd Street in the Bronx which even Riverdale residents are not aware of he would advise the Board of Estimate to put the Seton property back on the tax roll. "There is no need for using this valuable property as additional park land. The financial condition of the City does not warrant it," he said.

The comptroller illustrated his argument by issuing a map of Riverdale (map attached) and said he felt the same way about the Neponsit Hospital property in Queens.

Gerosa pointed out that he is a resident of Riverdale and wished to emphasize his argument in the locale he knew best. He said, "There is a playground belonging to P.S. 24 immediately opposite the northern end of the Seton Hospital site on West 235th Street. Ewen Park (7.8 acres) and Henry Hudson Memorial Park (10 acres) are within⁴ blocks of the former hospital. Altogether there are approximately 115.6 acres of mapped parks distributed in 5 locations and 3 playgrounds containing an additional 6.9 acres, making a total of 122.5 acres of city-owned land available for park and playground purposes serving a population of approximately 16,000 people. The Comptroller continued,

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"Riverdale is a neighborhood of small homes and gardens. There is probably less need for additional park lands here than in any other section of the City at the present time." In addition, Gerosa pointed out that within a little more than half a mile from the Seton property lie 1146 acres of Van Cortlandt Park, easily accessible to Riverdale.

"As far as the Neponsit Hospital site in Queens is concerned, I understand that there are \$179,000,000 worth of assessed valuations in the Rockaways of which \$53,000,000 is tax exempt. I do not feel we should add to this tax exemption figure at this time," Gerosa said.

The Neponsit item is #175 on the Thursday, July 21st Board of Estimate calendar. The Seton Hospital item will appear as a separate item on a later calendar.

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The Department of Parks announces that on Saturday, July 23, there will be opened in a limited basis to the general public a 450 ft. section of beach, and a promenade at Manhattan Beach Park, Brooklyn.

The newly opened section is the initial stage of construction for developing this area, which when completed will provide 1100 ft. of crescent shaped beach frontage. While there is no provision at the present time for parking of cars, the completed development plans include a parking area for 1200 cars.

The second stage of construction includes a bath house with a simplified system of dressing rooms, clothes checking facilities and showers, the western half of a 1200 car parking field, walks, picnic area and a refreshment concession. The third and final stage will complete the development of Manhattan Beach Park and will include playgrounds available for year round neighborhood use, court games areas, softball diamond, the remainder of the parking field, additional walks and landscaping.

The development of this area will help somewhat to relieve the crowding at nearby Coney Island and Brighton Beach and also provide needed bathing and recreational facilities for the adjoining communities.

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Extending west along the oceanfront from Manhattan Beach Park and Ocean Avenue is the Esplanade, a promenade built by private developers and still in private ownership. Negotiations are under way for the acquisition of this property so that the public can have access at both ends of the Esplanade giving a direct connection between Brighton and Manhattan Beaches.

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MUSIC AND DANCING IN NEW YORK CITY PARKS THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 24

8:30 P.M. -- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial
Concert - Goldman Band -
Johann Strauss Program

Monday, July 25

8:30 P.M. -- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial -
Concert - Goldman Band - Famous Marches

Tuesday, July 26

8:30 P.M. - Playground, 34th Avenue and 77th Street.
Jackson Heights, Queens -
Name Band Dance* - Charlie Peterson and
his orchestra

8:30 P.M. - Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Square Dance -
Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands

8:30 P.M. - Harlem Meer, 110th Street and Fifth Avenue,
Central Park - Concert - Latin American Music -
Machito and his Afro-Cubans

8:00 P.M. Amphitheatre, Colears St. & East River Drive -
Concert - Local 802. American Federation of
Musicians

12 Noon to
1:30 P.M. - Battery Park - Concert - Sponsored by the Down-
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Wednesday, July 27

8:30 P.M. - Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert
- Goldman Band - Shubert Program

8:30 P.M. - Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse.
Bronx - Name Band Dance* - Hal Charm and his
orchestra

Thursday, July 28

8:30 P.M. - Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road
Entrance - Guggenheim Memorial Concert -
Goldman Band - Symphonic Program

8:30 P.M. - Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Name Band
Dance* - Hal Charm and his orchestra

Friday, July 29

8:30 P.M. - Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial
Concert - Goldman Band - Symphonic Program

8:30 P.M. - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West
and 11th Street, Brooklyn - Name Band Dance* -
Johnny Long and his orchestra

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8:30 P.M. - Riverside Drive and 104th Street - Square Dance-
Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands

Saturday, July 30

8:30 P.M. - Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road
Entrance - Guggenheim Memorial Concert -
Goldman Band - Beethoven Program

8:30 P.M. - Mall, Central Park - Concert - City Symphony
orchestra - Franz Bibo conducting, William
Horne, Tenor, soloist.

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The City Symphony Orchestra will give the fourth of a series of five concerts on the Mall in Central Park on Saturday, July 23 at 8:30 P.M. Franz Bibo will conduct and Joshua Hecht, bass-baritone, will be the soloist.

The City Symphony has again been playing to capacity audiences at the Mall for the past three weeks. Although this is the 29th season of these concerts, they were interrupted for three years (1952, 1953, 1954) following the death of the Honorable Leopold Prince, founder of the orchestra.

The program for Saturday's concert will be:

- 1. Overture to "The Merry Wives of Windsor".....O. Nicolai
- 2. "Die Moldau", Symphonic Poem.....B. Smetana
- 3.a. 'Madamin', Aria from "Don Giovanni".....W.A. Mozart
- b. 'Ella giammai m'amo', Aria from "Don Carlos".....
G. Verdi

Soloist: Joshua Hecht

Intermission

- 4. Ballet Music and March from "Faust".....C. Gounod
- 5.a. Song of the Golden Calf from "Faust".....C. Gounod
- b. Serenade
Joshua Hecht
- 6. Pavane.....G. Faure
- 7.a. 'This Nearly Was Mine' from "South Pacific".....
R. Rodgers
- b. 'If I Loved You' from "Carousel".....R. Rodgers

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Joshua Hecht

8. Emperor Waltz.....J. Strauss

The final concert will be given on Saturday, July 30.

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Music to suit all moods will be offered on this week's schedule of four free Name Band Dances in New York City Parks.

The dances are part of the 14th annual series of 54 dances sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company and conducted by the Department of Parks on weekday evenings from 8:30 to 10:30 P.M.

Johnny Long, Hal Charm, and Charles Peterson and their orchestra will play this week according to the following schedule:

Tuesday, July 26, Charlie Peterson will play for the dance in Jackson Heights, Queens, 77th Street and 34th Avenue.

Hal Charm will play for two dances - Wednesday, July 27 at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse in the Bronx and Thursday, July 28 at Wollman Memorial in Central Park.

On Friday, July 29, Johnny Long brings his orchestra to P Prospect Park, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn. Johnny is a southpaw violinist. The song most closely associated with this favorite of Young America is his classic arrangement of "In a Shanty in Old Shantytown".

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The Department of Parks Marionette Theatre will ~~visit~~ ROOM Brooklyn beginning Thursday, July 21 and continuing through Wednesday, August 10. Nineteen free performances of "Hansel and Gretel" will be given at fifteen locations in the borough.

Time has not diminished the appeal of puppetry for children. In fact, as new equipment and materials are developed, they serve to enhance the age old medium. Lightweight plastics and metals, foam rubber, diaphanous synthetic fabrics such as nylon and saran are used by the Park Puppeteers for effects impossible to achieve with heavier materials. Modern lighting and sound equipment also lend much to the eye and ear appeal of these marionette shows. Small wonder then that children are so receptive to the many stimuli of color, sound, and action of the animated stories that unfold on the stage of their very own theatre.

The schedule of performances in Brooklyn will be:

Thurs.	July 21	2:30 P.M.	Lincoln Terrace, Eastern Parkway & Rochester Avenue
Fri.	July 22	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Prospect Park, Prospect Park West and 11th Street
Mon.	July 25	11:00 A.M. 2:30 P.M.	Sunset Park, 7th Avenue and 43rd Street
Tues.	July 26	2:30 P.M.	New Lots Playground, Sackman Street & Riverdale Ave.
Wed.	July 27	2:30 P.M.	St. John's Playground, Schenectady Ave. & Bergen St.

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Thurs.	July 28,	2:30 P.M.	Marcy Houses Playground, Nostrand & Marcy Avenues
Fri.	July 29	2:30 P.M.	McCarren Park, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street
Mon.	Aug. 1	2:30 P.M.	Bushwick Park, Knickerbocker Avenue and Starr Street
Tues.	Aug. 2	2:30 P.M.	Bushwick Playground, Putnam & Knickerbocker Avenues
Wed.	Aug. 3	11:00 A.M.	Brooklyn War Memorial, Cadman Plaza, Fulton & Orange Sts.
		3:00 P.M.	Ft. Hamilton Army Post, Ft. Hamilton Pkwy. & Marine Ave.
Thurs.	Aug. 4	2:30 P.M.	Breueklon Houses Plgd., Flatlands & Louisiana Aves.
Fri.	Aug. 5	2:30 P.M.	Seth Low Playground, Bay Parkway and Avenue P
Mon.	Aug. 8	2:30 P.M.	Kaiser Playground, Neptune Avenue & West 28th Street
Tues.	Aug. 9	11:00 A.M.	Marine Park, Fillmore Avenue and Stuart Street
		2:30 P.M.	Stuart Street
Wed.	Aug. 10	2:30 P.M.	Playground at Wortman Avenue and Warwick Street

Performances will be given in Richmond August 11 to 18, and in Manhattan August 19 to Sept. 8.

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The Department of Parks announces that the "Stardust" a fourteen foot Sports Runabout capable of speeds up to thirty-five knots, will be launched Saturday morning, July 16, 1955, at City Island from the Twin Craft Basin, 557 City Island Avenue at 11:30 A.M. The launching will follow an over-land journey from the workshop at St. Mary's Recreation Center where the "Stardust" was constructed. This is the first boat ever to be built at a City Recreation Center.

Joe Trinka, age 25, who is employed by a local restaurant, is responsible for the construction of the boat. He has been spending an average of 18 hours a week since January in the workshop at St. Mary's. Mr. Trinka has been a member at St. Mary's for over 3 years. Members will not forget the beautiful and very practical combination crib and cabinets Mr. Trinka built in 1954. He has also built kitchen cabinets, storage cases, and a cedar chest in past years at St. Mary's.

Mr. Trinka's accomplishments have been inspiring to the inexperienced members in their constructive endeavors. For next winter he plans to build a combination fireplace, book-case, radio, and bar.

The builder received some valuable assistance and advice from Mr. Julius Zeiss, a retired boat builder, and now a member at St. Mary's and the Manual Arts Staff working in the Center.

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He estimates that it cost him \$550.00 for material and seven months of labor to complete the boat. Its colors are light and dark blue with white trim, and the power is supplied by an outboard motor.

This is an excellent example of one of the many fine achievements resulting from the organized positive recreation programs which the Department of Parks has constantly advocated. The story of the "Stardust" is an example of the many fine and useful pastimes in which any adult, youth, or child member of St. Mary's Recreation Center may participate. Any member with enough time and patience may achieve similar results.

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MUSIC AND DANCING IN NEW YORK CITY PARKS THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 17

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Tchaikovsky Program

Monday, July 18

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Bank - Victor Herbert Program

Tuesday, July 19

8:30 P.M.

- Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Ave. Glendale, Queens - Name Band Dance* - Tony Pastor and his orchestra

8:30 P.M.

- Woolman Memorial, Central Park - Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands

8:30 P.M.

- Harlem Meer, Central Park - 110th Street and Fifth Ave. - Concert - Latin-American Music Machite and his Afro-Cubans

8:00 P.M.

- East River Park Amphitheatre - East River Drive and Corlears Street - Concert - Local 802 - American Federation of Musicians

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1:30 P.M.

- Battery Park - Concert - Sponsored by the Downtown Manhattan Association

Wednesday, July 20

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Miscellaneous Program

8:30 P.M.

- Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx - Name Band Dance* - Charles Peterson and his orchestra

8:30 P.M.

- Cromwell Recreation Center - Murray Hulbert Ave. and Hannah Street, Tompkinsville, Richmond - Name Band Dance* - Bill Lawrence and his orchestra.

Thursday, July 21

8:30 P.M.

- Prospect Park Music Grove - Lincoln Road Entrance Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Verdi Program

8:30 P.M.

- Woolman Memorial, Central Park - Name Band Dance* Charles Peterson and his orchestra

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Friday, July 22

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert -
Goldman Band - Verdi Program

8:30 P.M.

- Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and
11th Street, Brooklyn - Name Band Dance* -
Tiny Markle and his orchestra.

8:30 P.M.

- Riverside Drive and 104th Street, Manhattan -
Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands

Saturday, July 23

8:30 P.M.

- Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road Entrance -
Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band -
Johann Strauss Program

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Tony Pastor, Charles Peterson, Bill Lawrence, and Tiny Markle will wield their batons for Name Band Dances in New York City during the coming week.

These free dances under the stars are sponsored as a public service by the Consolidated Edison Company and are conducted by the Department of Parks on weekday evenings from 8:30 to 10:30 P.M. in major parks of the five boroughs.

On Tuesday, July 19, Tony Pastor, famed vocal-instrumentalist, will play at Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue, Glendale, Queens.

On Wednesday, July 20, there will be two dances. Charlie Peterson will play at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx and Bill Lawrence will play at Cromwell Recreation Center, Murray Hulbert Avenue and Hannah Street, Tompkinsville, Richmond. Charlie Peterson and his orchestra are noted for playing the type of music dancers want. Mickey Ramon is the vocal artist. Bill Lawrence's inexhaustable efforts with his musicians have made them the most versatile band in the land. Each member is an expert musical stylist. Vocally speaking, the Lawrence aggregation with two female and two male vocalists, the Harmoners, and the Maestro's pleasant tunes, offers an array of balladeering that is a treat to the ear.

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On Thursday, July 21, Charlie Peterson will appear again at the Mall in Central Park.

On Friday, July 22, Tiny Markle, "New England's College Prom King will play at Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn. Jaye Chris will handle the vocals.

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Wednesday, July 13th (Rain Date July 15th) is the big day set aside for the little guy and the little gal. Jacob Riis Park will play host to approximately 500 boys and girls from 6 to 14, who will participate in an annual Play Day of festivities conducted by the New York City Department of Parks. The program, starting at 2 P.M. will be highlighted by a mock Olympic in which the small fry will vie for honors in such events as the 100 ft. Dash, Marathon Race (26 yds. - 265 inches), Hammer Throw (inflated balloon attached to the end of a 6 ft. string), 56 Gram Weight-Toss (larger balloon attached to the end of a 12 inch loop), Discus Throw (pie plate), and other events too numerous to mention. An added attraction, in the spirit of the original ancient Grecian Olympic, will be a series of dances by the girls from various Park Department playgrounds in the Borough of Queens. The costumes will represent a motley array of colors as indicated by the names and types of dances to be presented.

They are:

- SHOEMAKER AND THE ELVES - Liberty Plgd., Jamaica
- DOLL DANCE - Elmhurst District
- MILITARY - O'Connor Plgd., St. Albans

The program will be concluded with a presentation of awards for the winners of the "Play Safely in Parks" Poster Contest.

Entries for the Track and Field events will be received at Riis Park on the date and time scheduled.

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On the very next day, Thursday, July 14th at 2:30 P.M., the Department of Parks Marionette Theatre will present "Hansel & Gretel" on the softball diamond of Jacob Riis Park for the youngsters only. Adults will be admitted only if accompanied by a child.

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The Department of Parks announces that through the cooperation of the Department of Public Works and the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority a 46-acre addition will be made to Randall's Island Park in the Borough of Manhattan. This addition will consist of the major portion of the property at the north end of Ward's Island known as Sunken Meadow and the portion of the bed of Little Hell Gate between Sunken Meadow and Randall's Island.

The Sunken Meadow parcel originally part of the site of the Ward's Island Sewage Treatment Plant is no longer required for sewage treatment purposes and will be released, by the Department of Public Works to the Board of Estimate for assignment to the Park Department. The State Land Board will be asked to cede to the City for park purposes the lands under water within the bed of Little Hell Gate. The new park area will be laid out on the City Map as an addition to Randall's Island Park.

Arrangements are being made with the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority for the filling in of the new park area to proposed grade. The area will be graded so that it will drain, to the surrounding waterways and where necessary existing drainage will be extended. The fill will be placed at no cost to the City by the Slattery Contracting Company, Inc. This is the same type of arrangement as was made several years ago for the addition to the northern end of Randall's Island, north of the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority's

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Administration Building. This area is now developed and in use. There are 3 baseball and 5 softball diamonds on this addition to Randall's Island Park.

As the filling in of the bed of Little Hell Gate may affect navigation in the Harlem and East Rivers, application will be made to the War Department for approval of the re-routing of Little Hell Gate to the new location just north of the Ward's Island Sewage Treatment Plant. The necessary dredging work will be performed by Slattery Contracting Company, Inc. at no cost to the City.

As soon as all work is completed and a sufficient period of time has elapsed to allow for the settlement of fill, the Park Department will include a project in its Capital Program for the development of the additional area for active recreation.

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Sunday, July 10

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Italian Music

Monday, July 11

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Mendelssohn Program

8:30 P.M.

- Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan - Name Band Dance* - Freddie Mitchell and his orchestra

Tuesday, July 12

8:30 P.M.

- Playground, 34th Avenue and 77th Street, Jackson Heights, Queens - Name Band Dance* - Hal McIntyre and his orchestra

8:30 P.M.

- Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands

8:30 P.M.

- Harlem Meer, 110th Street and Fifth Avenue, Central Park - Concert - Latin-American Music - Hector Pellet and his orchestra

12 Noon to

- Battery Park - Concert - Sponsored by Downtown Manhattan Assn.

Wednesday, July 13

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Wagnerian Program

8:30 P.M.

- Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx - Name Band Dance* - Hal McIntyre and his orchestra

Thursday, July 14

8:30 P.M.

- Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road Entrance Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - French Music

8:30 P.M.

- Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Name Band Dance* - Hal McIntyre and his orchestra

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Friday, July 15

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - French Music

8:30 P.M.

- Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn -
Name Band Dance* - Art Mooney and his orchestra

8:30 P.M.

- Riverside Drive and 104th Street - Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands

Saturday, July 16

8:30 P.M.

- Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road Entrance Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Special Memorial Concert

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park - Concert - City Symphony orchestra - Franz Bibo conducting, Charles Treger, violinist, soloist.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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Another week of fine music for dancing under the stars is in store for Name Band fans when Hal McIntyre, Art Mooney, and Freddie Mitchell, all saxophonists and band leaders, make their appearances in New York City parks. These evenings of free dances are sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company and conducted by the Department of Parks on weekday evenings from 8:30 P.M. to 10:30 P.M.

On Monday, July 11, Freddie Mitchell will play at Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan. Mitchell, the sax king of Derby Records, holds a unique position in the orchestra world because of his sound blues and backboggie style.

Hal McIntyre will play three dates this week: Tuesday, July 12 at 34th Avenue and 77th Street Playground in Jackson Heights, Queens; Wednesday, July 13 at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx; and Thursday, July 14 at the Wollman Memorial in Central Park. This young, personable leader offers more than the ordinary in dance music. Jeanne McManus and the McIntots are the featured artists.

On Friday, July 15, Art Mooney, MGM's recording sensation, brings his versatile orchestrations to Prospect Park, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn. Novelty tunes have long been one of the fortes of the Mooney orchestra, to name but two, "Mahzel" and his phinominaly sucessful "I'm Looking Over a Four Leaf Clover".

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The Department of Parks announces another series of Latin-American music concerts to be given at the Harlem Meer, 110th Street and Fifth Avenue in Central Park. The concerts, six in number, will be held on Tuesday evenings from 8:30 to 10:30 P.M. beginning July 12 and continuing through August 16.

Four years ago after noticing the lack of musical entertainment available in the community at the north end of Central Park, an anonymous donor contributed funds for three concerts, stipulating that they be of a type that would appeal to the residents of the neighborhood. The Latin-American concerts proved so popular that the sponsor increased the series to six concerts.

Informality is the keynote for these evenings. Listeners may walk along the shores of the lake, sit on benches under the trees, or listen from rowboats on the lake. The bandstand is located on the south shore of the lake.

Hector Pellot and his orchestra will play for the first concert on July 12.

All who enjoy listening to Latin-American music are invited to attend these concerts on the coming Tuesday evenings.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening of a new playground adjacent of P.S. 24 east of Douglas Avenue from W. 235 St. to W. 236 St. in the Bronx.

This 1.8 acre playground will serve the recreational needs of the residents of the community as well as those of the children from the adjacent P.S. 24.

In accordance with the policy of joint operation, the older children's area will be operated by the Board of Education during school hours and by the Department of Parks at all other times.

Divided into three sections for control purpose, the facility provides a roller skating area and handball in the westerly section, the second section provides for basketball and the easterly section is an area for small fry containing swings, slides, wading pool, comfort station, and a sand pit.

With the addition of this playground there are now 641 playgrounds in the park system.

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The Park Department announced today that a special section of Central Park near East 70th Street and Fifth Avenue will be transformed into "Fragrance, -- Touch" Garden for the Blind as a result of a \$125,000 donation from the Ray and Charles Newman Memorial Foundation.

Leonard N. Wallstein, Chairman of the Board of the Foundation, made the presentation to Commissioner Moses today. At the headquarters of the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind, 1880 Broadway, a scale model of the unique recreation area was unveiled today by Stuart Constable, Executive Officer of the Park Department. The model was a gift of James A. Goldsmith, Jr., President of the Guild. The three-foot scale model shows the special innovations which will be incorporated in the Garden design for the blind of all ages.

Commissioner Moses in accepting the gift of the Foundation said: "The Ray and Charles Newman Foundation's public-spirited gift is another example of private generosity meeting the special needs which the City cannot undertake to supply. It will be a splendid addition to the contributions to the recreational facilities of Central Park by private donors. The Wollman Ice Skating Rink, the Loeb Boat House, the Friedsam Carousel, the Kerbs Model Yacht Boat House, the Chess and Checker Building, the proposed Lasker Golden Age Center, and now the Garden for the Blind are outstanding contributions to the well-being of our fellow man". The Garden will embrace about a half acre in the section of the park bounded by the East Drive and Fifth Avenue, between 69th and 71st Streets.

Among the many innovations to be incorporated in the new recreation area are such aids for blind visitors as special paths railed on one side and curbed on the other. In this manner, blind men, women and children may guide themselves through the Garden by touching the rail or using a cane along the curb side. The path which starts at the main entrance of the Garden and circles the area is lined with benches at frequent intervals and the gravel footing will make it possible for anyone resting along the way to hear the approach of the visitors.

Halfway along the path a small building will be constructed to house comfort facilities, and a place of shelter, as well as caretaker's quarters. There will also be special tables with chess and checkerboard patterns designed so that the games can be played by touch.

A portion of the Garden itself will be raised several feet above the ground level along the path so that plants can be touched and smelled. Special plantings will be made of flowers which can be picked or crushed between the fingers -- perhaps identified by a Braille plaque reading "Please Do Pick the Flowers".

The center of the Garden for the Blind will be planted with grass and the existing shade trees in the area will be retained. The entire area will be surrounded by shrubs and trees, while the main entrance will be made more easily accessible by a special driveway where visitors may get out of cars without having to cross busy city streets.

One of the moving spirits behind this project has been Oliver K. Whiting of London. Mr. Whiting was inspired by the success of a similar Garden in Brighton, England and his one-man crusade has already been responsible for a number of small Gardens for the Blind in public parks in this country.

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Ray and Charles Newman Foundation
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New York 7, N. Y.

Dear Leonard:

I have your letter of June 23, 1955 with its very welcome news of the action by the Board of Directors of the Ray and Charles Newman Foundation granting the sum of \$125,000 for the construction of the Garden for the Blind in Central Park. I am delighted and grateful.

I have asked Mr. Stuart Constable, Executive Officer of the Department of Parks, to arrange for the handling of the funds, the publicity, and the preparation of the contract drawings. His staff will cooperate with your office and that of the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind.

We expect to use approximately \$25,000 in City funds to improve the area adjacent to the Garden. The money granted by the Foundation will be devoted to making the Ray and Charles Newman Memorial the useful and beautiful garden we all wish it to be. A suitable memorial plaque will of course be included in the development.

I extend my thanks and those of the Park Department to you and your associates.

Cordially,

Commissioner



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MUSIC AND DANCING IN NEW YORK CITY PARKS THIS WEEK

- Sunday, July 3
8:30 p.m. - Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert-
Goldman Band - American Music
- Monday, July 4
8:30 p.m. - Mall, Central Park - Naumburg Concert - Tibor
Serly conducting, Sy Shaffer, trombonist,
guest artist
- Tuesday, July 5
8:30 p.m. - Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle
Avenue, Glendale, Queens - Name Band
Dance* - Art Mooney and his orchestra
8:30 p.m. - Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Square Dance -
Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands
- Wednesday, July 6
8:30 p.m. - Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert-
Goldman Band - Famous Overtures
8:30 p.m. - Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx
Name Band Dance* - Tiny Markle and his
orchestra
8:30 p.m. - Cromwell Recreation Center, Murray Hulbert
Avenue and Hannah Street, Tompkinsville,
Richmond - Name Band Dance* - Art Mooney
and his orchestra
- Thursday, July 7
8:30 p.m. - Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road entrance
Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band
Berlioz Program
8:30 p.m. - Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Name Band Dance*
Art Mooney and his orchestra
- Friday, July 8
8:30 p.m. * Mall, Central Park - Guggenheim Memorial Concert-
Goldman Band - Berlioz Program
8:30 p.m. - Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and
11th Street, Brooklyn - Name Band Dance*
Ernie Rudy and his orchestra

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Friday, July 8
8:30 p.m.

- Riverside Drive and 104th Street - Square Dance -
Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands

Saturday, July 9
8:30 p.m.

- Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road entrance
Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band -
Special Memorial Concert

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The third week of Name Band Dances in New York City parks will feature the music of Art Mooney, Tiny Markle, and Ernie Rudy. These dances are part of the 14th annual series of 54 summer dances sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company and conducted by the Department of Parks on weekday evenings from 8:30 to 10:30 P.M.

Art Mooney will make three appearances this week playing Tuesday, July 5th at Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue in Glendale, Queens; Wednesday, July 6th at Cromwell Recreation Center, Murray Hulbert Avenue and Hannah Street, Tompkinsville, Richmond; and Thursday, July 7th at Wollman Memorial in Central Park. Mooney, a top band attraction everywhere he plays, skillfully combines entertainment with danceable music.

Tiny Markle will play Wednesday, July 6th at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx. Markle's orchestra is a really fresh and capable group of musicians and entertainers who have established themselves atop New England's dance band circuit. Joyce Chris handles the vocals.

Ernie Rudy will play Friday, July 8th at Prospect Park Dance Area Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn. Rudy, popularly known as the daffy drummer, heads an aggregation of such stars in their own right as Chubbie Silvers, Don Roger, Charlie Wilson and Phil Gilbert. Betty Clarke is the featured songstress. A full evening of fine entertainment and dancing is in store for Name Band Dance fans.

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The second in a series of four annual Naumburg concerts will be given on the Mall in Central Park on Monday evening, July 4th, at 8:30 p.m. The Naumburg Orchestra will be under the direction of Tibor Serley and Sy Shaffer, trombonist, will appear as guest soloist.

The program will be:

1. Overture -- "Merry Wives of Windsor" Nicolai
2. A Night on a Bare Mountain Moussorgsky
3. a) Allegro Haydn
- b) "Ich Grolle Nicht" Schumann
 Mr. Shaffer
4. Selections from "Mlle. Modiste" Herbert
5. Symphony No. 5 -- "New World" 2nd Movement and Finale . . Dvorak
6. Lullaby Serly
 Mr. Shaffer
7. Les Préludes Liszt
8. Stars and Stripes Forever Sousa

The remaining Naumburg concerts will be given on July 31 and on Labor Day.

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The Park Department announces that beginning July 2, 1955, the City Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Franz Bibo, will resume its regular series of summer concerts on the five Saturdays in July at the Central Park Mall.

The concerts are made possible through the cooperation of the General Motors Corporation, the Columbia Broadcasting System and Fabergé Perfumes, Inc. These business firms have generously agreed to sponsor this series of free public concerts.

The first concert on July 2, 1955 will feature a complete concert performance of Johann Strauss' Operetta "Die Fledermaus", in the new English version by Ruth and Thomas Martin.

Marjorie McClung, Metropolitan Audition Winner in 1954 will head the cast of outstanding young singers all of whom will contribute their services to the public. Judith Raskin, Orin Hill, William Sparks, Robert Rue and William Ryan are the other featured singers in the cast.

On the subsequent concerts the City Symphony Orchestra will continue to present outstanding young soloists who will appear for the first time with the orchestra in Central Park.

All concerts will start at 8:30 p.m. Saturdays.



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The popular Department of Parks Marionette Theatre will begin a fourteen day tour of parks and playgrounds in Queens, on Thursday, June 30, giving nineteen performances of Hansel and Gretel at fourteen locations.

The imagination and artistry with which this show has been produced lends new charm to the classic story of Hansel and Gretel. Some amusing liberties have been taken in portraying the old tale so that it will be up to date to children accustomed to the wonders of our jet propelled age. Even parents will find the hour long show an entertaining experience.

The performances in Queens will be given as follows:

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| Thurs. | June 30 | 2:30 p.m. | Grover Cleveland Playground, Grandview Avenue and Stanhope Street, Ridgewood |
| Fri. | July 1 | 2:30 p.m. | Jackson Heights Playground, 34th Avenue and 77 Street, Jackson Heights |
| Tues. | July 5 | 2:30 p.m. | Chisholm Playground, 115th Street and Poppenhusen Avenue, College Point |
| Wed. | July 6 | 2:30 p.m. | Van Wyck Playground, 111th Avenue and 134th Street, South Ozone Park |
| Thurs. | July 7 | 11:00 a.m.
2:30 p.m. | Forest Park, Main Drive off Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale |
| Fri. | July 8 | 11:00 a.m.
2:30 p.m. | Brookville Park, Brookville Boulevard and 143rd Avenue, Rosedale |
| Mon. | July 11 | 2:30 p.m. | Astoria Park, 21st Street and Hoyt Ave. Astoria |
| Tues. | July 12 | 11:00 a.m.
2:30 p.m. | Kissena Park, 164th Street between Rose and Oak Avenues, Rosedale |

Wed.	July 13	2:30 p.m.	Cunningham Park, Union Turnpike and 192nd Street, Hollis
Thurs.	July 14	2:30 p.m.	Jacob Riis Park, Softball Area, Neponsit
Fri.	July 15	2:30 p.m.	St. Albans Playground, Merrick Road and Linden Blvd.
Mon.	July 18	2:30 p.m.	Linden Park, 104th Street and 41st Avenue, Corona
Tues.	July 19	11:00 a.m. 2:30 p.m.	Alley Park, Springfield Area, Queens Village
Wed.	July 20	11:00 a.m. 2:30 p.m.	King Park, 153rd Street and Jamaica Avenue, Jamaica

Performances will also be given in Brooklyn from July 21 to August 10; in Richmond from August 11 to 18; and in Manhattan from August 19 to September 8.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening of a new playground adjacent to the Hammels Houses at Rockaway Beach Boulevard between Beach 83rd Street and Beach 84th Street, Queens.

This 1.03 acre playground was built with New York City Housing Authority funds, and provides for handball, basketball, practice basketball courts, comfort station, sand pit, wading pool, slides, swings, and an area for small fry with benches for their guardians. The area is divided in two sections for control purposes and is landscaped with shade trees.

With the addition of this playground there are now 638 playgrounds in the park system.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening to the general public of a new playground adjacent to the Redfern Houses at Redfern Avenue and Beach 12th Street, Queens.

Designed by the Department of Parks and built with New York City Housing Authority funds this facility is located in the Far Rockaway section of Queens. The playground is 2.11 acres, and provides for basketball, handball, slides, swings, jungle gym, comfort station, flag pole, and an area for pre-school age children. Benches are provided and the perimeter is landscaped with shade trees.

A baseball field is also provided, but will not be opened to the public, awaiting for a stand of grass.

With the addition of this new area there are now 639 playgrounds in the park system.

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MUSIC AND DANCING IN NEW YORK CITY PARKS THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 26

8:30 p.m.

- Mall, Central Park, Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Grand Opera
- Forest Park Music Grove, Glendale, Queens Concert by Leone Musical Society

8:00 p.m.

Monday, June 27

8:30 p.m.

- Mall, Central Park, Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Bach Program
- Colonial Park, 146th St. and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan - Name Band Dance* - Umberto Morales and His Orchestra

8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 28

8:30 p.m.

- Playground, 34th Avenue and 77th Street, Jackson Heights, Queens - *Name Band Dance - Bernie Cummins and His Orchestra
- Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands

8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 29

8:30 p.m.

- Mall, Central Park, Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Children's Music
- Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx - *Name Band Dance - Bernie Cummins and His Orchestra

8:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 30

8:30 p.m.

- Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road entrance - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Original Band Music
- Mall, Central Park - *Name Band Dance - Ray McKinley and His Band

8:30 p.m.

Friday, July 1

8:30 p.m.

- Mall, Central Park, Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Original Band Music

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Friday, July 1

8:30 p.m.

- Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn - *Name Band Dance - Charlie Peterson and His Orchestra

8:30 p.m.

- Riverside Drive and 104th Street - Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands

Saturday, July 2

8:30 p.m.

- Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road entrance - Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Famous Overtures.

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Five Name Band Dances are scheduled in New York City Parks next week. These dances are part of an annual series of 54 dances sponsored by Consolidated Edison Company and conducted by the Department of Parks.

The dances are scheduled at 8:30 p.m. on weekday evenings.

On Monday, June 27, Umberto Morales and his famous Latin Music will be heard at Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan.

Bernie Cummins and his smooth danceable music and featuring vocalist Toni Dee will appear on Tuesday, June 28, at the Playground at 34th Avenue and 77th Street, Jackson Heights, Queens, and again the following night at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.

Ray McKinley who presents a well-rounded program of music, entertainment and humor and whose keynote is versatility is featured Thursday, June 30, at the Wollman Memorial Dance Area in Central Park.

Popular Charlie Peterson and his "Smooth Rhythm" Orchestra, who have just completed an extensive engagement at the Terrace Room of the Hotel New Yorker, will provide an evening of dance music at the Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening of a new playground north of Van Cortlandt Park South between Norman and Orloff Avenues in Van Cortlandt Park, Bronx.

This new 1.4 acre playground is located in a section of the Bronx where recent housing developments have increased the demand for more outdoor recreational facilities.

This perimeter playground provides for handball courts, paddle tennis courts, basketball courts, swings, slides, see-saws, sand pit, jungle gym, wading pool, comfort station and an area for pre-school age children with benches for guardians.

With the addition of this playground there are now 636 playgrounds in the park system.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening to the general public of a playground adjacent to the George Washington Houses at East 99 St. and 3rd Ave. in Manhattan.

The playground, an example of close-cooperation and coordination, was designed by the Department of Parks and built with New York City Housing Authority funds.

This one-acre playground provides for basketball, handball, comfort station, swings, slides, see-saws, jungle gym, and sand pit, and will serve the residents of the community as well as pupils of the adjacent P.S. 109. Shade trees have been planted to landscape the perimeter.

With the addition of this playground there are now 637 playgrounds in the park system.

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The Department of Parks announces the second annual series of free weekly outdoor "pop" concerts sponsored by the Washington Heights Federal Savings and Loan Association.

These pop concerts will include live band concerts, featuring Broadway show tunes, motion picture scores, and popular classics and will be held on Wednesday evenings from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. at the locations and on the dates listed below:

HIGHBRIDGE PARK PLAYGROUND - AMSTERDAM AVENUE & 180th STREET

June 22, July 6, July 20, August 3, August 17 and August 31, 1955

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J. HOOD WRIGHT PARK - 174th STREET & FORT WASHINGTON AVENUE

June 29, July 13, July 27, August 10 and August 24, 1955

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Because of the popularity of these concerts last year which were the first of this type presented in the uptown area of Manhattan, the Washington Heights Federal Savings and Loan Association generously agreed to sponsor the program again this year.

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of the dredge and fill operations for the placing of sand and erosion control fill for the southerly one mile section of South Beach in the Borough of Richmond.

This section of the beach was opened last year on a limited basis, and a contract was let for fill operations this spring with the anticipated completion date in the fall. By use of efficient methods and modern equipment and favorable weather conditions this contract was completed 3 months ahead of schedule, thereby permitting use of the area by the public this season.

The operation included the dredging and placing of 2,000,000 cubic yards of sand at a cost of \$800,000, equally shared by the State of New York and the City of New York. In addition to providing an added 200 feet average to the beach front, the fill will prevent future flooding of adjacent uplands. Future scheduled developments for this area include a park, promenade, parking facilities, picnic area, recreational facilities, concessions, comfort station and a bathhouse.

South Beach and other projects in Richmond will become more readily accessible to the entire City under the future arterial programs for the Narrows Bridge, Cloves Lakes Expressway and the West Shore Expressway.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening to the general public of an additional playground area in St. John's Park at Prospect Place and Schenectady Avenue in the borough of Brooklyn.

The new area includes six basketball courts, twelve handball courts and an area for passive recreation set up with game tables. It completes the phase of plans which provide facilities for outdoor recreation in this park.

Under construction at this site at the present time and scheduled for completion in December, 1955, is the new St. John's Recreation Center. The completion of the indoor center will make it possible to plan and organize a well-rounded recreation program that will have continuity for year-round service for the community.

The recreation center will include facilities for swimming, game rooms, manual training, arts and crafts, cooking, gymnasium, boxing and other related activities taking care of all age groups throughout the year.

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The Department of Parks announces that on Monday, June 20, 1955, work will start on the resurfacing of Shore Parkway and Pelham Bay Park, Bronx.

This 1.3-mile stretch of roadway from the Bartow Circle to the Pelham Manor New York City boundary is flanked on the east by the Pelham Bay and the Bartow Mansion and on the west by the Pelham-Split Rock Golf Courses.

The Park Department states that the road will be kept open to traffic at all times but recommends that motorists make use of the Boston Post Road and the Hutchinson River Parkway as alternate routes during the construction.

The contractors for this work are Frank Mascali and Sons who were low bidders. The work will be completed in August, 1955.

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The Annual Dance Festivals of the Park Playground children of the Boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx, postponed because of last Saturday's heavy rain, will be presented on Saturday, June 18th at 2:30 p.m. The Manhattan Dance Festival will take place on Sheep Meadow, near 67th Street and Central Park West, Central Park, while the Bronx Dance will be held at Williamsbridge Oval, 208th Street and Bainbridge Avenue.

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MUSIC AND DANCING IN NEW YORK CITY PARKS THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 19

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park, Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Miscellaneous Program

8:00 P.M.

- Forest Park Music Grove, Glendale, Queens Concert by Elks Glee Club

Monday, June 20

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park, Guggenheim Concert - Goldman Band - Special program for 2,100th concert

Tuesday, June 21

8:30 P.M.

- Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue, Glendale, Queens - *Name Band Dance - Blue Barron and his orchestra
- Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands

8:30 P.M.

Wednesday, June 22

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park, Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Wagnerian Program
- Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse Bronx - *Name Band Dance - Blue Barron and his orchestra

8:30 P.M.

Thursday, June 23

8:30 P.M.

- Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road entrance Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Russian Music
- Mall, Central Park - *Name Band Dance - Al Lombardy and his orchestra

8:30 P.M.

Friday, June 24

8:30 P.M.

- Mall, Central Park, Guggenheim Memorial Concert - Goldman Band - Russian program
- Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street, Brooklyn - *Name Band Dance - Claude Thornhill and his orchestra

8:30 P.M.

- Riverside Drive and 104th Street - Square Dance - Ed Durlacher and Top Hands

8:30 P.M.

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Saturday, June 25
8:30 P.M.

- Prospect Park Music Grove, Lincoln Road
entrance - Guggenheim Memorial Concert -
Goldman Band - Grand Opera Program

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A whole summer of fun, under the stars or under the sun, is available to all ages of New Yorkers and visitors to the city who seek healthful recreation at nominal cost in our city park and playground system.

In the 635 local neighborhood playgrounds which are open every day in the week from 9 A.M. to dark, young children can find opportunities for safe, healthful recreation in sports, games, arts and crafts, table games, wading pools, or saucer showers, swings, slides and other exercise equipment, all of which form the framework for their daily activities. Here too, their parents and people who work during the day, may find sitting areas for relaxation in the cool of the evening or make use of the handball, shuffleboard, paddle tennis, volleyball, and horseshoe pitching courts for active recreation.

A greater variety of recreational facilities can be found within a reasonable radius of all sections of the city. These include beaches and pools, baseball and softball diamonds, tennis courts, golf courses, fishing areas, bicycle paths, roller skating and hockey areas and such. These facilities also are available for use from morning until dark or later, depending upon the facility.

Those who like to relax in a country-like atmosphere may find it in the larger parks. These are easily reached by subway or by

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cars using the many non-commercial traffic parkways and expressways. Special facilities in these parks, impossible to provide in smaller areas, include picnic areas, boating on lakes, bridle paths, bowling greens, archery ranges, botanical gardens, model airplane fields and model yacht ponds.

Teenagers and adults who like to dance may enjoy music by some of the nation's top "name" bands on weekday evenings at Wollman Memorial in Central Park and other major parks in the five boroughs. Ten square dances have been arranged at Wollman Memorial and Riverside Park. The Guggenheim Memorial Concerts by the Goldman Band are being given at the Mall on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings, and Thursdays and Saturdays in Prospect Park. The Naumburg Concerts and the Harlem Meer Concerts will be given on scheduled dates during the season.

To add zest to the sports activities, a program of competitive events have been scheduled. These include fishing contests for teenagers; swimming meets for boys and girls and swimmers registered with the A.A.U.; softball tournaments; tennis and golf tournaments which are also open to men and women; and handball and horseshoe pitching tournaments.

Other special events are the free performances of Marionette shows by the Park Puppeteers and the Learn-to-Swim Programs at park pools for both children and adults.

Additional information about these activities may be secured from Department of Parks borough offices or playgrounds. Locations of recreational facilities in the parks and other information regarding them is listed in the booklet - RECREATIONAL FACILITIES FOR NEW YORKERS - which may be secured by sending a 4" X 9" self-addressed, stamped envelope to Brochure, Department of Parks, New York 21, N.Y.

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J. Hagen

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YOUR PLANS FOR TOMORROW-
DEPEND ON "SAFETY TODAY"

VACATIONS COMING UP! J. Goodman

EDITOR - T. Mullany

Now that Spring is here can vacation be far behind? All of us are already making plans for those precious weeks when we can relax and have fun. We, in the Accident Control Program, sincerely wish that all of you enjoy your vacation, and for that reason we would like to give you a few timely pointers. We hope that they will be valuable to you and that you pass them along to your families. Mama and the kids deserve a pleasant vacation just as much as you do.

1. Drive Carefully. Obey all traffic rules. Let the other fellow take the chances. Don't spoil your vacation before you get where you're going. Do the same on the way home.
2. Start to get that Sunburn now. Don't wait for that first day at the beach or in the country. Expose your body (on the roof or in the backyard) for 20 minute intervals at first and gradually increase the dose after the first week. Sunburn is no laughing matter and in some cases has even led to fatalities.
3. Develop Correct Swimming Habits. Don't swim too soon after eating. Wait an hour. Don't swim too far from shore unless accompanied by a boat. Don't dive into strange waters. Learn the depth and the condition of the sub-surface.
4. Watch out for poison Ivy. By now you know what it looks like. Show the plant to the rest of the family. Here again PREVENTION is much better than the CURE.



5. Use the Right Tools. If you are a do-it-yourself guy at that little bungalow. Don't use an old screw driver for a chisel or a worn-down hammer with a cracked handle just because you feel ambitious and that is all you have with you. Take a good small kit of tools along in the car.
6. AND DON'T FORGET THAT OLE DEBBIL-THE LIFTING ACCIDENT. Lift correctly not only on the job, but at all times. Getting that boat in and out of the water may be tough, but it won't be any easier with a lame back. Squat close to the object to be lifted. Take a firm hold and lift with the leg muscles.

Once again we all wish you a Happy Vacation. Make it a safe one too. We want to see you back on the job happy, relaxed and WELL.

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UNSAFE PRACTICES AND CONDITIONS
OBSERVED AND REPORTED DURING THE LAST MONTH

Employee asked fellow worker to pass his shovel to him. Instead of handing the shovel, the fellow worker threw it and the shovel bounced off the top of refuse and struck the injured employee on the forehead. Employee received a cut which required three stitches to close, and lost a total of six (6) work days.

Employee jumped off back of truck, instead of using ladder welded on truck for that purpose. Total lost time of sixteen (16) days.

In order to remove burned out electric bulb, employee stood on chair to reach bulb. Chair gave away and employee fell to floor. Resultant lost time of seven (7) days. Ladder was available, but employee did not think of using it.

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"THE ARM CHAIR EXPERT"

What's wrong with the boss, who can't give credit where credit is due? I've been more than 50 years out of rompers, and I still can't figure those fellows who have an eagle eye for a mistake, but a dull nose for a polished performance.

Do they think they're so good themselves that the man ought to stand up and cheer when they go by?

Are they so afraid for their jobs they don't dare let on that anybody else in the place is competent?

Or were they, poor souls, born short of the normal supply of human juices--the stuff that makes most of us warm up when some other guy makes an extra-base hit?

There's a fourth possibility. The mistaken notion that when you pay a man well for what he does, that's all there is to it.

I don't know of any conclusion that can be drawn from all this except the one you've already arrived at; when you personally praise a man for an exceptional piece of work--above and beyond the call of the paycheck--he's a lot more likely to do it again.

Reprinted from Industrial Supervisor, National Safety Council

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BEAR THIS IN MIND:

The village blacksmith finally found an apprentice willing to work hard at low pay for long hours. The smith gave his first instructions to the lad. "When I take the iron from the fire, I'll lay it on the anvil and when I nod my head, hit it with this hammer." The apprentice did as he was told. Now he is the village blacksmith.

This is an appropriate story to remember whenever we issue or receive incomplete or ambiguous instructions.

GOOD MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION PRACTICES ARE A MUST IN ANY SAFETY PROGRAM

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The Department of Parks announces the opening to the public of a new sitting area located at 205th Street and Perry Avenue in the Bronx.

This new 0.326 acre sitting area is adjacent to the Mosholu Public Library and may be used by the patrons of this institution during pleasant weather as well as the residents of the local community. A sand pit for small fry is also provided with benches for guardians of the children and the entire perimeter has been landscaped with shade trees and a lawn area.

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The 1955 season of outdoor dances in New York City parks will open on Thursday, June 16 at 8:30 p.m. on the Mall in Central Park. For the 14th year, the Consolidated Edison Company is sponsoring this popular series of fifty-four dances. Some of the nation's finest dance bands are scheduled to appear during the season. The dances will continue through September 1.

The dances will be conducted by the Department of Parks on weekday evenings from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. in each of the five boroughs according to the following schedule:

MANHATTAN

- Wollman Memorial, Central Park - Thursday evenings June 16 through September 1, except August 25.
- Colonial Park, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue - Monday evenings June 27, July 11, August 1, August 15, August 22
- Mall, Central Park - Thursday, August 25

BROOKLYN

- Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11th Street - Friday evenings June 17 through August 26

BRONX

- Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse - Wednesday evenings June 22 through August 31

QUEENS

- Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue, Glendale - Tuesday evenings June 21, July 5, July 19, August 2, August 16, August 30
- Jackson Heights - Playground at 34th Avenue and 77th Street - Tuesday evenings June 28, July 12, July 26, August 9 August 23

RICHMOND

- Cromwell Recreation Center, Murray Hulbert Avenue and Hannah St., Tompkinsville- Wednesday evenings July 6, July 20, August 3, August 17

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Claude Thornhill will play for the opening dance at the Mall on June 16, and also on Friday, June 24 at Prospect Park. The Claude Thornhill band has been around for quite a few years, yet Thornhill's piano styling and unique orchestrations are still the most original musical offerings among modern dance bands.

On Friday, June 17, Bill Lawrence will appear at the Prospect Park Dance Area. Voted the most popular dance band along the Eastern Seaboard, the Bill Lawrence orchestra, famed for its varied presentations, is especially noted for its beautiful blending of musical instruments.

On Tuesday, June 21, Blue Barron will play at Victory Field in Queens and again on Wednesday, June 22, at Poe Park in the Bronx. Blue Barron is a long time favorite of name band dance enthusiasts. Creator of "Music of Yesterday and Today", Blue has starred in leading supper clubs and hotels throughout the nation.

On Thursday, June 23, the music of popular Al Lombardy and his orchestra will be featured on the Mall in Central Park.

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The 15th annual summer tour of the Department of Parks Marionette Theatre will open on Monday, June 13 and run through Thursday, September 8. The Park Puppeteers have scheduled 89 performances of Hansel and Gretel at 69 parks and playgrounds in the five boroughs.

The trailer theatre will play in the Bronx from June 13 through June 29; in Queens from June 30 through July 20; in Brooklyn from July 21 through August 10; in Richmond from August 11 through August 18; and in Manhattan from August 19 through September 8. Performances are scheduled Monday through Friday of each week.

This production of Hansel and Gretel is the same show performed for more than 250,000 children in recreation centers and elementary schools during the fall and winter months. The Department of Parks is repeating it this summer for the benefit of pre-school agers and children whose schools could not be scheduled for performances.

The show is so delightful that it is difficult to say whether children or adults enjoy it most. At any rate parents and guardians who attend with their youngsters will find time turning back for them as they watch the scenes unfold.

The schedule of performances in the Bronx will be:

- Mon. June 13 3:30 p.m. Claremont Park, Teller and Mt. Eden Aves.
- Tues. June 14 3:30 p.m. Devoe Park, University Ave. & 188 Street

Wed.	June 15	3:30 p.m.	Marble Hill Houses Playground, West 230th Street and Marble Hill Avenue
Thurs.	June 16	3:30 p.m.	Eastchester Houses Playground, Adeo & Tenbroeck Avenues
Fri.	June 17	11:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m.	Edenwald Houses Playground, East 229th Street and Schiefflein Avenue
Mon.	June 20	11:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m.	Patterson Houses Playground, East 148th Street and College Avenue
Tues.	June 21	3:30 p.m.	Pelham Parkway Houses Playground, Williamsbridge Road and Mace Avenue
Wed.	June 22	3:30 p.m.	Playground at Waterbury, Edison & LaSalle Avenue
Thurs.	June 23	3:30 p.m.	Playground at Watson, Gleason and Noble Avenues
Fri.	June 24	3:30 p.m.	Gun Hill Houses Playground, Magenta Street between Holland and Cruger Aves.
Mon.	June 27	11:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m.	Poe Park, Grand Concourse and East 192nd Street
Tues.	June 28	3:30 p.m.	Bronx Park, East 180th Street and Boston Road
Wed.	June 29	3:30 p.m.	Melrose Houses Playground, Courtlandt Avenue and East 154th Street

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Triborough Stadium on Randalls Island is to be dedicated with appropriate ceremonies on Saturday, June 11 at 12 noon, as the John J. Downing Memorial Stadium.

Participating in the ceremonies will be the various organizations with which the late John Downing spent so much of his time and energy. Commissioner Robert Moses of the Department of Parks will preside and the invocation will be delivered by the Rt. Rev. Monsignor John J. O'Donnell, Chaplain of the New York Chapter of the Knights of Columbus.

Mrs. John Kane and Mrs. Paul Pirundini, daughters of the late John Downing will unveil the plaque assisted by Mr. Daniel Ferris, representing the National A.A.U.; Mr. Jay Ehret Mahoney, President of the Metropolitan Association of the A.A.U.; Mr. Brian J. Kellaher, Chairman of the New York Chapter, Knights of Columbus and staff members of the Department of Parks Recreation Staff. The Department of Parks American Legion Post will act as color guard.

The dedication of the John J. Downing Stadium is in recognition of the service rendered by John Downing to the youth of the City of New York.

He served for 44 years on the recreation staff of the Department of Parks. For the last 11 years he was closely associated with Commissioner Moses as the Director of Recreation during

which time he helped actively plan and expand the scope and variety of recreation opportunities for the people of New York City.

He was a former President and Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Metropolitan Association of the A.A.U. and at the time of his death was 2nd Vice President of the National A.A.U. He was a former Chairman and District Deputy of the New York Chapter of the Knights of Columbus and for many years was Chairman of the famous Knights of Columbus Games at Madison Square Garden. His many friends in all these organizations have contributed toward the cost of the bronze plaque which is being placed on the wall of the John J. Downing Memorial Stadium on June 11th.





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The Department of Parks announces the opening of a playground addition to an existing park area in the Borough of Brooklyn, between Louisiana, William and Stanley Avenues and adjacent to P.S. #260.

This new two-acre playground was built with Board of Education funds and completes the project which was constructed by the New York City Housing Authority as part of the plan for the Breukelen Houses.

The new playground includes paved court games, apparatus area, wading pool, sand pit and a comfort station and it will be jointly operated with the Board of Education, except for the usual area for pre-school age children and their guardians, which will be operated by the Park Department at all times.

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THE 12TH ANNUAL DANCE FETE by children from the Department of Parks playgrounds in Queens will be presented at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 4th at King Park, 150th Street and Jamaica Avenue, Jamaica.

The theme of this year's carnival is based on events taking place in an imaginary library in Prince Charming's Castle where the favorite fairy tales of children come to life in dance rhythm.

The dances and the playgrounds presenting them will be:

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| The Shoemaker and the Elves | - Liberty Park Playground |
| The Toy Fair | - Newton, John F. Murray, Corona & 102nd Street, and Jackson Heights Model Playgrounds |
| Peter Rabbit | - Flushing Memorial, R. O'Connor, Pomonok Houses, Richmond Park, Kissena Park, Sanford & Union Avenues, and 21st Avenue & 166th Street Playgrounds |
| Aladdin and the Wonderful Lamp | - Jackson Pond, Atlantic & 125th Street, and Dry Harbor Playgrounds |
| Sinbad the Sailor | - Thomson Hill, Yellowstone Boulevard & 64th Avenue, Grover Cleveland, Alderton Street & Elwell Crescent, and Highland Park Playgrounds. |
| Alice in Wonderland | - St. Albans, Allendale & Liberty, Brinkerhoff & 109th Avenues, and Marconi Playgrounds |

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- The Wooden Soldier and the Dancing Doll - Von Dohlen, Lucas & 192nd Streets, and O'Connell Playgrounds
- Cinderella and the Glass Slipper - Brookville, 85th Avenue & 248th Street, Braddock, and Reid & Parkinson Avenues Playgrounds

The public is cordially invited to attend. There is no charge for admission.

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MONDAY, MAY 30, 1955

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The Department of Parks announced today that the trustees of the Florina Lasker Foundation have made available a generous gift of \$250,000, which will make possible the construction in Central Park of an indoor and outdoor recreation center. The Center will be restricted to use by older persons. The need for such a development has long been felt but its realization has been dependent in large part on private philanthropy.

To be called the Florina Lasker Recreation Center, it will be located in a rocky, wooded area, known for many years as "The Ramble", bounded by the East and West Drives, the 79th St. Transverse Road and the 72nd Street Lake. Its shrubs and fine old trees, picturesque topography, and variety of bird life have made its network of meandering paths especially appealing to older people.

Supplementing the Florina Lasker Foundation's grant of funds, the City's Park Department will undertake the general rehabilitation of the area, including new paths, fencing, drainage and irrigation, lighting and turnouts for bus stops which Borough President Jack has agreed to provide on the 79th Street Transverse Road. Proper facilities for convenient access by bus is an essential part of this project.

The funds to be provided by the Foundation will construct a recreation building, an outdoor paved terrace and recreation area - including horseshoe, croquet, shuffleboard courts, and so forth - and will equip and furnish all these facilities. Other new facilities

in the Ramble will include a parking area; a service yard; lighting and fencing; game tables; umbrella tables and chairs, etc.

The recreation building will be well-equipped and attractively furnished. It will contain a food bar, toilet facilities, storage space and boiler room, a television room, a radio room, a music room with a piano, a record player and a wide variety of records, a game room, and social hall. It will be staffed with Park Department personnel trained in recreational leadership and with special insight into the needs of the older generation.

The late Florina Lasker, a graduate of the New York School of Social Work, was born in Galveston, Texas. Over a period of three decades, Miss Lasker had been actively associated with many social and civic movements in New York City in the field of civil liberties, labor and racial relations. For more than twenty years, she was chairman of the New York Civil Liberties Committee and also served until her death in 1949 as president of the Consumers League of New York.

The Florina Lasker Foundation's public-spirited gift will provide a splendid addition to the growing number of fine contributions to the recreational facilities of Central Park by private donors in recent years. The Wollman Ice Skating Rink, the Loeb Boat House, the Friedsam Carousel, the Kerbs Model Yacht Boat House, and the Chess and Checker Building are other examples of private generosity meeting special needs which the City cannot ordinarily undertake to supply.

The increasing proportion of older people in New York City will soon have the excellent opportunities for undisturbed recreation in Central Park in their own haven - The Ramble. The Department of Parks speaks especially on behalf of them, as well as for the other citizens of New York in expressing gratitude to the Florina Lasker Foundation.



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The Department of Parks and the United States Coast Guard announce that on Monday, May 30, at 10:30 a.m., ceremonies will be held at Battery Park dedicating the Coast Guard World War II Memorial.

The monument is located in the south section of the park about 150 feet back of the promenade. Consisting of three figures - two Coast Guard men supporting a wounded comrade - its overall height is 13 feet. The monument, financed by the Coast Guard, was designed by the sculptor, Norman M. Thomas.

Park Commissioner Moses will preside at the ceremonies. Secretary of the Treasury George M. Humphrey and Vice Admiral A. C. Richmond will speak. The memorial will be unveiled by Mrs. James Munro and Rear Admiral J. A. Hirshfield.

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Music in modern tempo will give way to the gentle rhythms of four-part harmony when borough competitions for the 21st Annual Barber Shop Quartet Contest will be conducted by the Department of Parks in each of the five boroughs.

Amateur male quartets, vying for the honor of representing their borough at the finals on the Mall on June 14, will compete in preliminaries to be held as follows:

- Wednesday, June 1 - Queens - Music Grove, Forest Park, Main Drive west of Woodhaven Boulevard
- Thursday, June 2 - Manhattan - Mall, Central Park
- Friday, June 3 - Brooklyn - Music Grove, Prospect Park, Lincoln Road Entrance
- Tuesday, June 7 - Richmond - Clove Lakes Park, Clove Road and Victory Boulevard
- Wednesday, June 8 - Bronx - Mullaly Recreation Center, 164th Street and Jerome Avenue

All contests begin at 8:30 p.m.

The quartets will sing, without accompaniment, songs of the American ballad or barber shop variety which were popular at the turn of the century and which are now part of our musical heritage.

The public is cordially invited to attend these evenings of "easy on the ears" musical entertainment as guests of the Park Department.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening to the general public of a new playground in Highbridge Park adjacent to Fort George Avenue and east of St. Nicholas Avenue in Manhattan.

This two-acre playground provides for softball, basketball, horseshoe courts, wading pool, comfort station and an area for children of pre-school age. Benches are provided throughout the area.

With the addition of this area there are now 635 playgrounds in the expanded park system.

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SUNDAY, MAY 29, 1955

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For the 50th year, the Naumburg Symphony Orchestra will open the season of outdoor concerts in Central Park with the first of a series of four concerts to be given on Decoration Day, May 30 at 8:30 p.m. at the Mall, 72nd Street and Center Drive.

The concerts are contributed by Mr. Walter W. Naumburg and Mr. George W. Naumburg, sons of Mr. Elkan Naumburg who donated the bandstand on the Mall to the City of New York.

The Decoration Day concert will be conducted by Dr. Howard Hanson and Ethel Barrymore Colt, soprano, will appear as guest soloist. The program will be:

1. Overture - "Lenore" - No. 3 Beethoven
2. Aria-"Oh! Quante Volte" -
 "I Capuletti ed i Montecchi" Bellini
3. Romantic Symphony - Slow Movement Howard Hanson
4. Peer Gynt Suite Grieg
 - 1 - Morning
 - 2 - The Death of Ase
 - 3 - Anitra's Dance
 - 4 - In the Hall of the Mountain King
5. Scherzo and Nocturne
 "A Midsummer Night's Dream" Mendelssohn
6. Aria - "L'Altra notte in Fondo" -"Mefistofele"... Boito
7. Español Chabrier

The remaining Naumburg concerts at the Mall will be given on July 4, July 31, and Labor Day, all at 8:30 p.m.

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FIFE AND DRUM COMPETITION AT JACOB RIIS PARK

The shrill of fifes and the roll of drums will officially herald in the summer season at Jacob Riis Park on Saturday, May 21, when the Fifth Annual Fife, Drum and Bugle Corps Competition will be held.

This event, sanctioned by the New York State Fife and Drum Association, promises to be one of the most heated contests to be held at Jacob Riis Park in recent years, as is indicated by the endless hours spent rehearsing by the entered corps. Competition will be held for baton twirling and drum majors, in addition to the regular contests for the various combinations of fife, drum and bugle.

A galaxy of color, accompanied by pomp and circumstance, will create an atmosphere reminiscent of a combination of West Point and Annapolis. The blue and gold will march along with the maroon and yellow. A total of about 800 boys and girls, representing 18 corps will assemble their colors and proudly march by the judges, who will determine the winners of the four classes of competition. The youngsters represent various organizations, including St. Camillus of Rockaway, St. Francis De Sales of Belle Harbor, Immaculate Conception of Astoria, All Saints Church of Brooklyn, Saint Bernadette of Brooklyn, Saint Clement Pope of South Ozone Park, Andrews Methodist Church of Ridgewood, Our Lady of Sorrows of Corona, First Presbyterian Church of Ridgewood, Saint Mary's Winfield of Woodside,

Ridgewood Circle Columbian Squires, Cub Pack Scouts Troop 18 from the Saint Fidelis Church of College Point, Scout Troop 69ers from P.S. 155 in South Ozone Park, the Polish National Alliance Group #2637 of Maspeth, and the Topper PAL Corps from The Wynn Center in Brooklyn.



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The Department of Parks announces the opening to the general public of a new playground adjacent to P.S. 196 between 70th Road and 72nd Avenue, west of Grand Central Parkway, Queens.

The one-acre playground, located in the Forest Hills section of Queens, will serve the outdoor recreational needs of all age groups in the community as well as those of the children from adjacent P.S. 196.

In accordance with the policy of joint operation, the older children's area will be operated by the Board of Education during school hours and by the Department of Parks at all other times. This open area adjacent to the school includes practice basketball standards, and may be used for roller skating and other activities requiring large open spaces.

The section reserved for pre-school-age children, and operated by the Park Department at all times, contains sand pit, shower basin, slides, swings, see-saws and a centrally located comfort station.

Sitting areas are provided for spectators and guardians.

This newly constructed recreation area marks the 63rd playground in the City's expanding park system.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening to the general public of a new playground adjacent to P.S. 121 between Throop and Bouck Avenues, north of Allerton Avenue, the Bronx.

The 2-acre playground, located in the residential northeast section of the Bronx, will serve the outdoor recreational needs of all age groups in the community as well as those of the children from adjacent P.S. 121.

In accordance with the policy of joint operation, the older children's area will be operated by the Board of Education during school hours and by the Department of Parks at all other times. This open area adjacent to the school includes practice basketball standards, and may be used for roller skating and other activities requiring large open spaces. South of this open area are one basketball court, four handball courts and boccie courts.

The section reserved for pre-school-age children, and operated by the Park Department at all times, contains sand pit, shower basin, slides, swings, see-saws and a centrally located comfort station.

Sitting areas are provided for spectators and guardians.

This newly constructed recreation area marks the 633d playground in the City's expanding park system.

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The Department of Parks announces that the bathing and swimming season at the 17.66 miles of municipally operated beach will open May 21 and seventeen outdoor swimming pools will officially open on Saturday, May 28, 1955.

From May 28th to June 12th, the pools will be opened for weekends only, and from June 18, until the end of the season, they will be open daily with the following operating schedule: On weekdays and Saturdays, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., there will be a free period for children 14 years of age and under, during which hours no adults will be admitted to the pool area. After 1:00 p.m. on weekdays, Saturdays, and all day on Sundays and holidays, there will be a 10¢ charge for children 14 years of age and under, and a 25¢ charge for older children and adults.

The aquatic program at park pools during July and August will include the annual Learn-to-Swim Campaign held Monday through Friday during the free period for boys and girls 14 years of age and under; twelve Competitive Swimming Meets, six for boys and six for girls to be held at a major pool in each borough; and the newly instituted free instruction classes in swimming for patrons 15 years of age and over. These classes will be held on Sunday mornings from 11 a.m. to 12 noon and applicants may register at the pool at which they will participate. Instruction in life saving and first aid will also be included in the aquatic program.

Orchard Beach located in Pelham Bay Park, Bronx; Jacob Riis Park Beach and Rockaway Beach on the Rockaway Peninsula, Queens; Coney Island Beach in Brooklyn; and South Beach, Great Kills Park and Wolfe's Pond Park on Staten Island will also open for bathers on May 21st. An additional 1.1 miles of beach adjacent to South Beach, formerly known as Midland, Graham and Woodland Beaches, is now under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks and is presently under construction. Of this newly acquired area, approximately one half mile will be available to the public this season for bathing. Bathhouse accommodation at Jacob Riis Park, Great Kills and Orchard Beach will be open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. until the end of the season.

At Great Kills Park there is a total of 6,000 lockers, and a parking space for 2,000 cars is provided. At Orchard Beach there is a total of 9,145 lockers for bathhouse patrons and parking space is provided for 7,500 cars. At Jacob Riis Park the bathhouse accommodates 11,400 people and parking space is provided for 14,000 cars. Wolfe's Pond Park has parking space for 1,600 cars.

Parking at these four beaches will be 25¢ per car and, with the exception of Wolfe's Pond Park which has no bathhouse facilities, bathhouse fees are 15¢ for children's lockers and 25¢ for adult lockers. Dressing rooms are available at Jacob Riis Park for a fee of 50¢ per person. Recreational area game courts at Jacob Riis Park, Orchard Beach, and Rockaway are available to the public free of charge.

At Jacob Riis there is also an eighteen hole pitch putt golf course at which a charge of 75¢ is made for each round of golf, which includes clubs. A 50¢ deposit is required on each ball. The pitch putt golf course will operate on a full time basis starting

May 21st.

Beach chairs and umbrellas may be rented at a nominal charge at Orchard Beach, Jacob Riis and Great Kills. Beach shops are provided where bathing accessories can be purchased.

Seven parking fields are available at the Rockaways (Beach 32d Street, Beach 52d Street, Beach 59th Street, Beach 62d Street, Beach 64th Street, Beach 68th Street and Beach 69th Street) for the convenience of the many visitors who will visit the beaches during the coming summer. These parking fields will accommodate 1,940 cars and will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight at a fee of 25¢ per car.



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SUNDAY, MAY 15, 1955

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Entry blanks are available for the 21st Annual Barber Shop Quartet Contest to be conducted by the Department of Parks at the Mall in Central Park on Tuesday evening, June 15. Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Department of Parks borough offices.

The contest is open to amateur male quartets who do not earn their livelihood as a singing group. Each quartet may sing two numbers, two medleys, or a combination of one song and one medley of the American ballad or barber shop variety. Judging will be based on musical technique, originality, expression, and stage presentation.

Preliminary contests will be held in each of the five boroughs at 8:30 p.m. as follows: Queens - Wednesday, June 1 at Forest Park Music Grove; Manhattan - Thursday, June 2 at the Mall in Central Park; Brooklyn - Friday, June 3 at Prospect Park Music Grove; Richmond - Tuesday, June 7 at Clove Lakes Park; Bronx - Wednesday, June 8 at Mullaly Recreation Center.

The winning quartet in each borough will be eligible to compete in the finals at the Mall on June 14. Costumes appropriate to the Gay Nineties period will be required to be worn by finalists.

Prizes will be awarded to members of winning quartets in the borough contests and to first, second and third place winners in the city-wide event.

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The Park Department announces the restoration of the Robert Fulton Monument.

Located in Fulton Park at Chauncey and Fulton Streets, Brooklyn, the memorial is a heroic-scale portrait statue of the inventor leaning on a model of the Nassau, the first steam ferry from Brooklyn to New York. A zinc statue of this figure, originally erected in 1872 in a niche at the Ferry House at Fulton Ferry was the first statue cast in this country. The sculptor was Casper Buberl, 1834-1899. This had been discarded, but was reclaimed and erected in Fulton Park in 1930. Through neglect it had deteriorated and collapsed. In 1935 the figure was rehabilitated.

Zinc is a very soft metal and in the years since 1935 the figure again deteriorated. It has now been re-cast in bronze and placed upon a new granite base on the site it has occupied since 1930 in Fulton Park.



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MONDAY, MAY 9, 1955

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FIFTH ANNUAL CONEY ISLAND FISHING CONTEST OPENS TODAY,
MORE THAN 3,000 CONTESTANTS EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE

Prizes Valued at \$1,500 Offered in Week-long
Event Conducted by Park Department and Spon-
sored by Nathan's Famous; Contest Open to All

The Fifth Annual Coney Island Fishing Contest, the largest regular pier-fishing competition in the East, which is conducted by the Department of Parks and sponsored by Nathan's Famous, noted Coney Island restaurant, opens today at 3 p.m.

More than 3,000 contestants of both sexes and all ages are expected to participate in the week-long event, which is held at Steeplechase Pier, off the Coney Island boardwalk. Prizes in 27 separate categories, valued at more than \$1,500 and donated by Nathan's will be awarded to the winners in the mammoth fishing derby. Prizes consist of the latest models of salt-water fishing equipment, plus a special award in the parent-child class consisting of a full-day fishing trip, all expenses paid. There is no fee for entering the contest.

Competition will be held from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. today and every day until Friday, May 13, for junior contestants to age 16, and from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. for seniors. Final day for juniors only will be Saturday, May 14, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., and final Senior day will be Sunday, May 15, during the same hours.

Two daily prizes, consisting of glass pier-fishing rods and steel reels, will be awarded at the end of each day's fishing, one to the junior and one to the senior contestant catching the heaviest fish of the day. On opening day, there will be special prizes for the junior and senior landing the heaviest fish caught in the first hour of competition.

Four grand prizes, consisting of salt-water spinning rod and reel, tackle box, casting shirt, waders and other accessories comprising a complete fishing outfit, will be awarded at the end of the week to the contestants landing the heaviest fish in each of the four divisions: boys, girls, men and women. There will also be a second-place award in each division, as well as special prizes for the most fish caught by one contestant, the youngest and oldest contestants catching fish, and the parent-child combination landing the heaviest joint catch.

In addition, each junior enrolled in the contest will receive a souvenir fisherman's cap, and each junior who catches a fish, of whatever size, will be awarded a special bait container.

The quarter-mile-long pier, which juts out over the ocean from the Coney Island Boardwalk at West 15th Street, has been decorated by the Park Department for the contest, with carnival-striped canopies spotlights, banners and other displays, and a public-address system has been installed, which will regale the contestants with music while they fish and announce the names of leading anglers as the contest progresses.

In a letter to Murray Handwerker, executive vice-president of Nathan's Famous, Inc., the Coney Island restaurant which joins with

the Park Department to conduct the annual fishing contest. New York City's Park Commissioner Robert Moses commended him for sponsoring the event, declaring that "it will serve to introduce many youngsters to healthy outdoor sport."

Initiated in 1951 with a two-day tournament in which 700 fishermen competed, the Coney Island contest grew rapidly to 3,000 contestants in 1953 and 1954, with an even greater number expected this year, on the basis of advance registrations. Entries have been accepted for the past three weeks at all Park Department playgrounds throughout the five boroughs and at Nathan's, Surf & Stillwell Avenues, Coney Island, where the prizes are on display. Late entries will be taken on the pier itself while the contest is in progress.

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The Department of Parks announces today that at 9 P.M. Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Williamsburg Y.M.H.A. will meet in the final game for the championship of the First Annual Invitation Basketball Tournament held at the Brownsville Recreation Center, 1555 Linden Boulevard, Brooklyn 12, New York.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help reached the final by defeating Union Temple 81-77 while Williamsburg Y.M.H.A. entered the final by downing the Lincoln Stars 85-74.

The consolation playoff game pits Union Temple against the Lincoln Stars at 7:30 P.M.

Presentation of awards to the winning teams and outstanding players of the tournament will take place immediately following the championship game.

The tournament is sponsored by the New York City Park Department, the Alumni Association of the Brownsville Boys Club, and the Board of Directors of the Brownsville Boys Club with the sanction of the Amateur Athletic Union.

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The Department of Parks announces the dedication of the Andrada statue on Friday, April 22, 1955 at 11 a.m.

Jose Bonifacio de Andrada e Silva, Patriarch of the Independence of Brazil was born in 1763 and died in 1838. A scholar, scientist and statesman, he joined in history with other great South American liberators, Bolivar and San Martin. The statue, a gift from the United States of Brazil to the United States of America, is located in Bryant Park, at the corner of 42nd Street and the Avenue of the Americas, Manhattan.

The program includes: Commissioner Robert Moses, presiding; invocation by Francis Cardinal Spellman; and addresses by Hulan E. Jack, Borough President of Manhattan; Edward J. Sparks, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs; Joao Carlos Muniz, Ambassador of the United States of Brazil to the United States of America; and Robert F. Wagner, Mayor of the City of New York. The official representatives of the Brazilian Government are Ambassador Joao Carlos Muniz and Consul General Hugo Gouthier.

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The Department cordially invites the people of the City of New York to Open House Week at St. Mary's Recreation Center at St. Ann's Avenue and St. Mary's Street in the Bronx.

St. Mary's, the first in the Department's program of large scale recreation centers, has been in operation for four years and has proved of immense importance to the people of south Bronx. We invite you to see the variety of activities from arts and crafts to swimming.

Attached is program of events for the week.

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HIGHLIGHTS - OPEN HOUSE WEEK - APRIL 18 - 24 1955

ST. MARY'S RECREATION CENTER

Mon. April 18

INDOOR POOL - 4:00 P.M.
Novelty Swimming Events - Junior Groups:
Water Safety Demonstration.

Exhibits of Handwork - 7:00 P.M.
Arts & Crafts Room - Manual Training Shop

Wed. April 20

Little Theatre - 3:30 P.M.
Films - The 1952 Olympic Games

Gymnasium - 7:30 & 8:30 P.M. - All Star
Invitation Basketball.
1st Game: Intermediate Division Tournament
Champions for 1955 -
The Ramblers vs the Intermediate All-Stars
2nd Game: Senior Division Tournament Champions
for 1955 -
N.Y. Gothams vs The Cavaliers-1954 Winners

Following the games, trophies will be awarded to
teams that finished first and second in the
1954-55 St. Mary's Center Basketball Tournament,
in the Intermediate, Senior A and Senior B
Divisions.

Senior Games Room - 7:30 P.M.
Spring Social Dance & Entertainment -
Senior & Adult Groups
Music by 4-pc. Orchestra

Thurs. April 21

Gymnasium - 7:30 P.M. Novice Weightlifting Meet
Dept. of Parks - Met. Assn. AAU
There will be four weight Classes - in the three
Olympic Lifts

Fri. April 22

Indoor Pool - 4:00 P.M. - Novelty Swimming Races
Intermediate Groups
Achievement Tests - Novelty Events and Water
Safety Demonstration

"ST. MARY'S NIGHT" - Gymnasium 7:30 P.M.
A series of 12 Events consisting of Gymnastic
Exhibitions, Sports Skills, Stunts, Dances
and Drills presented by the members of St. Mary's
Recreation Center. Participating in the pro-
gram that will depict some of the Recreational
Activities offered at the Center, will be the
Junior and Intermediate Boys' Gymnasium Groups,
Girls Gym and Dance Groups, Teen-age Girls
Gymnastic Class, Mothers Gym Group, Boxing Room
Group and the St. Mary's Gymnastic Team.

Sat. April 23

Age Group Swimming Meet - Indoor Pool - 2:30 P.M.
Sponsored by Dept. of Parks
8 Events for AAU Members
2 Events closed to Park Dept (non-AAU) Members
Trophies to 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners in each event.

"AQUA-FANTASY" - A Water Show - Indoor Pool -
7:30 P.M. Presented by the St. Mary's Recrea-
tion Center Aquatic Group. A program of Water
Ballet, Synchronized Swimming under Fluorescent
Light, and Native Dances of the Islands.

A.A.U. Gymnastic Meet - Novice, Junior & Senior
Divisions - Gymnasium 8:00 P.M. Sponsored by
Dept. of Parks
Two Events in each Division plus one Open Event
Tumbling for the Met. Jr. AAU Championship.
Trophies awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each event

Sun. April 24

INTER-COUNTY SWIMMING MEET - Indoor Pool - 2:00PM
Invitation Swimming Meet

ADMISSION TO ALL ST. MARY'S OPEN HOUSE ACTIVITIES IS FREE
THE PUBLIC IS CORDIALLY INVITED TO VISIT THE CENTER.

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Hundreds of youngsters 5 through 13 years of age will participate in the 9th Annual Egg Rolling Contest to be conducted by the Department of Parks under the sponsorship of Arnold Constable at the Great Lawn, 80th to 84th Streets, in Central Park on Saturday, April 9 at 2 P.M.

Through the ages the egg has been used during spring festivals to symbolize fertility, new life, and rebirth. An ancient statue of Eostre the Anglo-Saxon goddess of spring from whose name "Easter" is derived, shows her holding an egg in her hand as a symbol of life. Eggs painted red were exchanged as springtime tokens of good will as early as 5000 B.C. As time went on, other colors as well as ornamentation were applied to eggs and many new customs using eggs as vernal symbols, were evolved the world over.

For the ninth year New York City's boys and girls will roll gaily colored wooden eggs on the lawn in Central Park. They will use spoons to propel their eggs along courses suited to their ages. Six events for three age groups of boys and three of girls will be on the program: 20 yard contests for the youngest, 30 for intermediates, and 40 for the oldest. Eggs and spoons will be supplied by Arnold Constable.

Prizes donated by Arnold Constable will be presented to

those placing first, second, and third in each final event. The youngest girl winners will receive a doll carriage, a large doll, or roller skates in that order and the boys a bicycle, a scooter, or roller skates. Winners in the age group events will be presented with merchandise certificates for \$25, \$20, and \$15 respectively.

Entries may be filed through April 7 at neighborhood park playgrounds, Department of Parks borough offices, and at the contest booth on the second floor of Arnold Constable, 40th Street and Fifth Avenue. There is no fee charged for entering.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening of its 472 tennis courts at various locations in the five boroughs on Saturday, April 9, 1955.

Regular Season Permits cost \$5.00 and are good for play every day, including Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, on all courts.

Junior Tennis Permits cost fifty cents and will be issued to children who will not have reached their 15th birthday by November 15, 1955. Proof of age must be presented with applications. This permit will be valid for use on hard surface courts only, and when there is no demand for these courts by regular season permit holders.

Applications may be secured by calling in person at the borough offices of the Park Department or by mail, enclosing a self-addressed stamped envelope with the request. A new photograph, passport size, must accompany the application.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening of the following six golf courses on Saturday morning, April 2, 1955 at 6:00 A.M. The club houses, with food facilities, locker and shower accommodations, and other facilities, will be opened at the same time for use by the public.

- BRONX: Van Cortlandt Golf Course,
242 Street and Broadway, Van Cortlandt Park
- Pelham Golf Course,
Shore Road, north of Hutchinson River Parkway,
Pelham Bay Park
- Split Rock Golf Course,
Shore Road, north of Hutchinson River Parkway,
Pelham Bay Park
- QUEENS: Kissena Golf Course,
North Hempstead Turnpike and Fresh Meadow Road,
Flushing
- Forest Park Golf Course,
Park Lane South and Forest Parkway, Forest Park
- RICHMOND: Silver Lake Golf Course,
Silver Lake Park on Victory Boulevard and Park Road

The following courses which remained open for winter play will be re-scheduled to open at 6:00 A.M. on the same date.

- BRONX: Mosholu Golf Course,
Jerome Avenue and Holley Lane at Woodlawn
- BROOKLYN: Dyker Beach Golf Course,
86 Street and Seventh Avenue
- QUEENS: Clearview Golf Course,
23 Avenue and Willets Point Boulevard, Bayside

RICHMOND: LaTourette Golf Course
Forest Hill Road and London Road

The fee for annual permits is \$15.00 and may be used on any course. An additional daily fee of 50¢ per round entitles the permit holder to play on weekdays, and an additional charge of \$1.00 per round is made on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. For non-permit holders, the daily fee from Monday through Friday will be \$1.50, and \$2.00 on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

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The Borough President of Richmond and the Department of Parks announce the start of construction in the rehabilitation and enlargement of South Beach, Richmond. The first stage consists of dredge and fill operations for the placing of a sand beach and erosion-control fill for the southerly addition to the existing beach. South Beach is a 2- $\frac{1}{2}$ mile waterfront strip between Fort Wadsworth on the north and Miller Field to the south. The northerly 1- $\frac{1}{2}$ miles was acquired by the City in 1935 and a boardwalk was built at that time. However, inadequate property was acquired back of the boardwalk for proper control and recreational facilities.

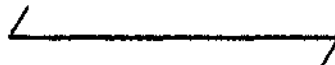
The project as planned today includes the construction of a promenade on the southerly one-mile portion, a new beach and park, and recreational facilities back of the boardwalk for the entire length of the project. Sufficient land has been acquired to permit the construction of parking fields for 7,000 cars, picnic areas, games and playground areas, bathhouses with adjacent bus terminals, and incidental comfort stations and concession buildings. To the west of this recreational and parking development a boulevard-type road will be constructed with access to the various features at convenient points.

The cost of rehabilitation and development will total four million dollars for the area between Seaside Boulevard and the water

line, and two million dollars for a boulevard and other street improvements. The line of the existing elevated boardwalk at the north will be continued at close-to-beach level as a paved promenade to the south.

The operation about to start will be dredging and placing of 2 million cubic yards of fill at a cost of \$800,000, equally shared by the State of New York and the City of New York. In addition to providing a beach, the fill will prevent future flooding of adjacent uplands. One of the world's largest dredgers, "The Pittsburgh", will be used for this operation.

South Beach, along with other great Richmond projects such as Great Kills, Fresh Kills reclamation, and Richmondtown will become more readily accessible to the entire City of New York under the program for arterial facilities recently announced by the Port of New York Authority and the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority. The Narrows Bridge, Cloves Lakes Expressway, and West Shore Expressway, in conjunction with the three existing bridges connecting to New Jersey and operated by the Port of New York Authority, will immensely accelerate the growth of the Borough. Long-range planning and early recognition of the unique opportunity offered at South Beach will increase the City's recreational facilities.



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The 5th Annual Wollman Ice Carnival, postponed because of inclement weather on March 5, will be held on Saturday, March 19 at 12 Noon at the Wollman Memorial Rink, 64th Street off Fifth Avenue in Central Park.

In addition to figure skating and speed skating contests, the program will feature more than a dozen skating exhibitions by soloists, pair skaters, trios, and groups.

Miss Kate Wollman whose generosity made possible the construction of the rink, is the sponsor of this carnival and will award the prizes to the winners of the competitive events.

The Department of Parks extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend on Saturday. There will be no charge for admission. The usual Saturday morning free period for youngsters 14 years of age and under will terminate at 11 A.M.

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Eggs as gaily colored as crocus will herald spring on Saturday, April 9 at 2 P.M. when the 9th Annual Egg Rolling Contest will be conducted by the Department of Parks on the Great Lawn, between 80th and 84th Streets, in Central Park.

The contest is sponsored by Arnold Constable of Fifth Avenue for boys and girls from 5 through 13 years of age. For the many children who have been competing annually since the first contest was held in 1947, this will be the last opportunity to participate as they will be over the age limit by 1956.

Youngsters may file their entries at Department of Parks playgrounds and borough offices and at the contest booth in the Boys and Girls Department on the second floor of Arnold Constable, 40th Street and Fifth Avenue. There is no fee for filing. Entries close April 7.

Competition is not difficult - the children merely propel their eggs, using a spoon as a mallet, down a course suited to their age group. Wooden eggs and spoons are provided by Arnold Constable. The events are arranged as follows:

- Group I - Boys 5-6-7 years of age - 20 yard course
- Group I - Girls 5-6-7 years of age - 20 yard course
- Group II - Boys 8-9-10 years of age - 30 yard course
- Group II - Girls 8-9-10 years of age - 30 yard course
- Group III - Boys 11-12-13 years of age - 40 yard course
- Group III - Girls 11-12-13 years of age - 40 yard course

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Prizes donated by Arnold Constable will be awarded to the winners in each group. For Group I boys, there will be a bicycle for 1st place, scooter for 2nd, and roller skates for 3rd. Group I girls will receive a doll carriage for 1st place, a large doll for 2nd, and roller skates for third. Group II and III boy and girl winners will be awarded merchandise certificates for \$25, \$20, and \$15 respectively.

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The Department of Parks announces the opening to the general public of a new playground and ballfield at Woodhull, Hicks and Rapalye Streets, Brooklyn.

Located in the congested Red Hook section of Brooklyn, the 2-1/2 acre area will serve the outdoor recreational needs of all age groups, including the children of nearby P. S. 142.

The playground and ballfield are typical of many which were constructed and are proposed in conjunction with the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway. The Expressway extends from the Battery Tunnel at the south, through the Brooklyn Civic Center, and continues north to Grand Central Parkway, directly connecting to Triborough Bridge. The Brooklyn section between Kent Avenue and the Tunnel, developed with emphasis on neighborhood and community improvements, was designed and constructed by the Office of the Borough President of Brooklyn.

The playground contains sand pit, swings, slides, see-saws, jungle gym and comfort station. Tree-shaded sitting areas are provided for spectators and guardians. The softball field with adjoining bocci courts includes ample tree-shaded areas with benches for spectators. Multiple use may be made of the field for such seasonal activities as stickball, touch football and other open field games.

This newly constructed recreation area marks the 629th playground addition to the City's extensive park system.



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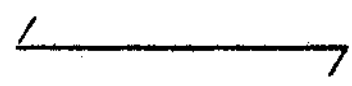
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The Department of Parks announces that the Men's Junior A. A. U. Gymnastic Championships will be held at St. Mary's Recreation Center, East 145th Street and St. Ann's Avenue, Bronx, on Saturday, March 19, 1955 at 8 p.m. The championships are sponsored by the Bronx Lodge #871, B. P. O. E., and sanctioned by the Metropolitan Association of the Amateur Athletic Union. The events include one optional and one compulsory exercise in the following: Long Horse, Side Horse, Parallel Bars, Horizontal Bar, Rings (Still Exercises) and one optional Free Exercise (Calisthenics) of 1-1/2 to 2 minutes' duration.

Further information may be obtained at St. Mary's Recreation Center, CY 2-7254



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Starting Tuesday, February 28, 1955, applications for season playing permits for golf and tennis, and locker permits for tennis, other recreational activities and golf, with the exceptions noted below, will be accepted at each of the five Borough Offices of the Park Department. Application may be made either in person or by mail. Application for a playing permit for golf or tennis must be accompanied by a face photograph of passport size, taken not more than thirty days prior to date of application. Applications filed by mail must be accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope, and the address must include the postal zone, if any.

A season golf permit costs \$15. Daily golf fees for season permit holders will be 50¢ per round on weekdays and \$1.00 per round on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. Daily golf fees for non-season permit holders will be \$1.50 for weekdays and \$2.00 on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

A season golf locker permit costs \$5.00 and will expire on November 27, 1955.

Because at some locations the demand for golf lockers exceeds the supply, applications for golf lockers are not being accepted at this time for the following locations:

- DYKER BEACH, BROOKLYN
- MOSHOLU, BRONX - (MEN'S LOCKERS ONLY)

Applications for lockers at these locations will be

accepted from season permit holders only at any Park Department Borough Office from February 28 to March 15, 1955. Public drawings will be conducted on March 24, 1955 at 10 A.M. to determine the successful applicants. The drawings will be held in the offices of the Department in Boroughs in which the respective courses are located.

Season locker permits for Pelham-Split Rock, Van Cortlandt, Mosholu (Women's Lockers only), Forest Park, Clearview, Silver Lake and La Tourette courses may be obtained by season golf permit holders as soon as they have their permits.

A tennis permit costs \$5.00 for the season and is good for play every day of the season on any of the City's 477 public park tennis courts. No daily permits are issued for tennis.

Junior tennis permits cost 50¢ per season and are limited to children who will not have reached their 15th birthday as of November 15 of the current season. Proof of age must be submitted. These Junior permits are for use on hard surface tennis courts only, subject to priority of \$5.00 season tennis permit holder.

Applications for seasonal recreation lockers, located at various athletic fields and tennis court areas, also will be received, starting February 28. Locker rental is \$5.00 for the season.

Season locker permits for the Field House at the North Meadow in Central Park may be secured by personal application only at the Permit Office in the Arsenal Building, 64th Street and Fifth Avenue, starting February 28th. Only one locker will be issued to an applicant.

Park Department offices in the five boroughs are located

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as follows:

- MANHATTAN: Arsenal Building, Telephone: REgent 4-1000
64th Street and Fifth Avenue
New York 21, N. Y.
- BROOKLYN: Litchfield Mansion, Telephone: SOuth 8-2300
Prospect Park West and Fifth Street
Brooklyn 15, N. Y.
- QUEENS: The Overlook, Telephone: LIggett 4-4400
Forest Park
Union Turnpike and Park Lane
Kew Gardens 15, New York
- BRONX: Administration Building, Telephone: TAlmadge 8-3200
Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue
Bronx 60, New York
- RICHMOND: Clove Lakes Park, Telephone: GIbraltar 2-7640
1150 Clove Road
West New Brighton, Staten Island 1, New York.

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The Department of Parks announces a Swimming Meet to be held at St. Mary's Recreation Center, East 145th Street and St. Ann's Avenue, Bronx, on Friday, February 11, 1955 at 7:30 p.m. The meet is sponsored by the David W. Gentle Post #618 American Legion, and sanctioned by Metropolitan Association, the A. A. U. It is open to boys and girls registered with the Metropolitan Association. The swimming events for boys range from 10 years or under to 16 years; for girls, from 11 years to 16 years.

Further information may be obtained at St. Mary's Recreation Center, CY 2-7254.

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The Department of Parks has scheduled nine inter-center boxing shows between February 1 and March 4 in the five boroughs. These matches will conclude a series of twenty-five shows sponsored by the Honorable Maurice Rosenfeld, Deputy Police Commissioner, for the purpose of expanding the boxing program conducted by the Department of Parks for teenage boys. In previous years the competitive phase of the program had to be curtailed because of limited funds.

The nine shows and the centers participating in them are listed below. Eight matches are on each evening's program, the first bout beginning at 8:30 P.M.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Locations</u>	<u>Competing Centers</u>
Feb. 1	McCarren Center, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn	Flushing, McCarren, St. Mary's Park, and West 28th Street Gym.
Feb. 4	Highbridge Center, Amsterdam Ave and West 173d Street, Manhattan	Sunset, Cromwell, Highbridge, and West 134th St. Gymnasium
Feb. 8	St. Mary's Park Center, East 145th St. and St. Ann's Ave. Bronx	Red Hook, St. Mary's, Flushing, and West 134th Street Gymnasium
Feb. 11	Astoria Center, 19th Street, opposite 23rd Drive, Astoria, Queens	Red Hook and Astoria
Feb. 15	Gymnasium, 35 West 134th St. Manhattan	Flushing and West 134th Street, Gymnasium
Feb. 18	McCarren Center, Driggs Ave. and Lorimer Street	McCarren and Highbridge

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Feb. 25	Cromwell Center, Murray Hulbert Ave. and Hannah St. Tompkinsville, S. I.	Cromwell and Rutgers Gymnasium
Mar. 1	Gymnasium, 342 E. 54th St. Manhattan	St. Mary's Park and E. 54th St. Gymnasium
Mar. 4	Gymnasium 407 West 28th St. Manhattan	Sunset and West 28th St. Gymnasium

These inter-center shows are approved by the Metropolitan Association of the A.A.U. and are closed to boys who have participated in the special instruction and coaching classes conducted at 12 park recreation centers by Park Department Playground Directors. For the hundreds of boys who are interested in boxing for recreation, the Department of Parks program offers competent instruction and supervision under conditions conducive to safeguarding their welfare, health and morals. Only those who qualify as to ability and physical fitness are permitted to participate in competitive events.

These shows, with the exception of Astoria Center where only limited seating is available, are open to the general public without charge. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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Six additional inter-center boxing shows have been scheduled by the Department of Parks in connection with the expanded boxing program for teenage boys. These shows, part of 25 made possible through sponsorship by the Honorable Deputy Police Commissioner Maurice Rosenfeld, will be held at 8:30 p.m. each evening as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Competing Centers</u>
Jan. 11	Highbridge Center, Amsterdam Ave. and West 173rd Street, Manhattan	East 54th St. Gym. Astoria, Flushing and Highbridge
Jan. 14	Sunset Center, 7th Avenue and 43rd Street, Brooklyn	West 28th St. Gymnasium Rutgers, McCarren, and Sunset
Jan. 18	Rutgers Center, 5 Rutgers Street near Jefferson Place, Manhattan	Astoria, Sunset, Cromwell and Rutgers
Jan. 21	St. Mary's Park Center, East 145th St. and St. Ann's Avenue, Bronx	East 54th and West 28th St. Gymnasias Flushing and St. Mary's
Jan. 25	West 134th St. Gymnasium, 35 W. 134th St., Manhattan	McCarren, Red Hook, Highbridge and West 134th St. Gymnasium
Jan. 28	Astoria Center, 19th St. and 23rd Drive, Astoria	East 54th St. Gym, Rutgers, Red Hook and Astoria

Eight bouts of various age and weight classes are on the program each evening. The bouts are open to boys who have participated in boxing classes conducted at 12 of the Department of Parks recreation centers. These special boxing shows afford more

competitive opportunities than it has been possible to provide in previous years. The program as conducted by the Department of Parks offers instruction in physical training and development through boxing to boys for whom this activity holds a special interest. For many of these boys boxing is a means of working off tensions and belligerent impulses. They are taught the relationship between good health habits and physical development and well-being.

These shows are open to the general public and there is no charge for admission.



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Over 170 million visits to New York City's parks and playgrounds were made by people seeking active recreation during the year 1954. This is an increase of more than 40 million visits over 1953. Additional millions used the parks for more passive recreational pursuits such as walking, reading, nature study, rest and relaxation.

The greater portion of the Department of Parks year-round recreation program is conducted in neighborhood playgrounds. With the addition of the 30 new playgrounds opened in 1954, there are now 627 of these neighborhood playgrounds in the park system. To the limit of its resources the Park Department endeavors to provide safe, clean recreational facilities for each community in the city. Only lack of funds, exorbitant costs, or the fact that no unencumbered land is available has prevented construction of such facilities in every residential community. As children do not take holidays from play, the park playgrounds are open for use 365 days of the year.

The larger parks and recreation areas which have special facilities such as beaches, swimming pools, picnic grounds, bridle paths, golf courses, and tennis courts attracted in 1954 more than 67 million visitors.

In 1954, city-wide park tournaments and contests drew 110,000 contestants who competed in basketball, swimming, tennis,

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