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FOR RELEASE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1960

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Newbold Morris. Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Department of Parks' Marionette Theatre will present a series of eight special performances of "Happy the Humbug" at the Hunter College Playhouse during Christmas week. The Playhouse is located at 68th Street, between Park and Lexington Avenues.

The schedule of performances:

Tuesday		December	27	at #	2:30 p.m. only
Wednesday		11	28	Ħ	11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.
Thursday	-	H	29	if .	11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.
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Saturday		it	31	11	2:30 p.m. only

Admission to all performances will be by ticket only. tickets may be obtained by sending a self-addressed stamped (4¢) envelope, indicating on the inside flap the date and time of the performance requested, and the number of tickets required. Organized groups requiring large numbers of tickets will be accommodated during morning performances only. All letters should be addressed to:

> Puppet Show Department of Parks: 64th St. and Fifth Ave. New York 21, N. Y.

The Park Department Marionette Theatre, in existence since 1939, performs for more than 500,000 children and parents each year

during the indoor and outdoor tours.

The story of "Happy the Humbug", an original work in the Park Puppeteers' repertory, is the story of the adventures of Happy, his Godmother the Pink Elephant, who cries strawberry tears; friend Hunky the Monkey; and those two villains, The Cock and The Bull.

As in all children's stories, everything ends well as many of the creatures of fairyland join Happy at his birthday party. Hansel and Gretel, Red-Riding-Hood and the Wolf, and Jack and the Giant are some of the characters who help Happy celebrate a joyous occasion.

It is recommended that a second choice be indicated in the request in the event that tickets for the first choice are not available.



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK ##|| REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1960

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that skiing will take the limelight in New York next week when the first ski jumping contests and exhibitions will be held in Central Park at 79th Street and Fifth Avenue, on Sunday afternoon, November 27th, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Over 100 tons of crushed ice will be placed on Cedar Hill to make it suitable for ski jumping. On hand to display their skill will be numerous skiing celebrities and the famed junior jumping team from Lake Placid, N. Y.

Led by Sandra Vivitsky, 14 years old, the only girl of the twenty-member team, the Lake Placid juniors will perform on a specially built jumping scaffold, leaping 50 to 60 feet onto the slopes of Central Park. A junior slalom will then follow. The afternoon's program will be climaxed with demonstrations by ski instructors from three of the East's leading ski schools. They are Paul Valar of Cannon Mountain, New Hampshire; Rudy Kursteiner of Snow Ridge, New York; and Kerr Sparks and Bill Riley of Stowe, Vermont. In addition, newspaperman Cliff Taylor of Rutland, Vermont, will perform on short-ee skis.

Three days later, on Wednesday, November 30th, the 1960-61

ski season in the East will be launched when the Second National Winter Sports Show opens at the New York Coliseum. Continuing through December 4th, the five-day sports festival will enable 50,000 ski enthusiasts from the metropolitan area to learn what's new in skiing, travel, resorts, equipment, clothes, and other services.

The Central Park event is co-sponsored by the New York City Department of Parks, Rheingold Breweries, and the National Winter Sports Show. There will be no admission charge.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK ### REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1960

Newbold Morris, Commissioner 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, 1960.

Pelham - Bronx
Split Rock - "
Van Cortlandt - "
La Tourette - Richmond
Forest Park - Queens
Kissena - "
Jacob Riis - "
(Pitch Putt)

The following courses will remain open for winter play:

Dyker - Brooklyn Clearview - Queens Mosholu - Bronx Silver Lake - Richmond

The winter operated golf courses will be open daily from 8:00 a.m. 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 daily basis only. Golf permits for the year 1960 are valid for use until December 31, 1960, on any of the courses which are open for play, and the rates for rounds of golf will be as follows:

Effective January 1, 1961, daily rounds with season permit, \$1.25 on weekends and holidays, and 75¢ on weekdays. Without a season permit, \$2.25 on weekends and holidays, and \$1.75 on weekdays.

Golf permits for the year 1961, costing \$15.00, may be purchased starting Thursday, Dec. 1, 1960, and may be used on and after that date.

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1960

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the School Vacation Schedule will be in effect at the City Building at Flushing Meadow Park in Queens, on the following days:

Friday - November 25
Tuesday - December 27
Wednesday - December 28
Thursday - December 29
Friday - December 30

However, to permit the World's Fair Corporation which has temporary offices in the building to function until their permanent headquarters have been established the first of the year, there will be no roller skating during the weekday morning and afternoon sessions, and no music will be played during these sessions.

all evening sessions for roller skating and ice skating for this school vacation period will be maintained, including the playing of music.

There are no other changes in the 1960-61 schedule of sessions for this facility other than those above.



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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that work in connection with the construction of the "Lehman Zoo for Children", to be located between 65th and 66th Streets, west of Fifth Avenue in Central Park, has started.

Funds for this year-round facility were provided through a generous gift of former Governor Herbert H. Lehman and Mrs. Lehman in celebration of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary.

While the adjacent Central Park Zoo has been for many years a great attraction for children, they will gain additional enjoyment from the close intimate contact with the gentler and smaller animals and birds at this new facility. Quaint structures based upon well known fairy tales will present especially interesting features.

Architects for the project are Aymar Embury II and Edward C. Embury; Paul Manship will design the gates; and Skinner & Cook, Inc., are the general contractors.

Work is scheduled for completion by the Spring of 1961.



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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1960

1-1-1-60M-527176(60) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that entry blanks are available for the 1960 City-wide Table Tennis Tournament for boys and girls. This is a renewal of one of the activities in the series of athletic competitions provided by the special Robert Moses - Police Athletic League Fund. A total of 5,900 boys and girls competed in the 1959 tournament.

One hundred Department of Parks and P.A.L. indoor areas have been selected for local competition in the following four divisions:

Junior Boys - Ages 12, 13 and 14

Junior Girls - Ages 12, 13 and 14

Senior Boys - Ages 15, 16 and 17

Senior Girls - Ages 15, 16 and 17

Local play begins on Saturday, December 10, 1960, and will be followed by district eliminations on January 21, 1961, and the borough eliminations on January 28, 1961. The city-wide championships will be contested among the borough winners on Saturday, February 4, 1961, at the St. John's Recreation Center, located at Prospect Place between Troy and Schenectady avenues, Brooklyn.

Winners and runners-up at each stage of the competition will receive handsome awards.



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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1960

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NEW YORK CITY'S FIRST SKI JUMPING CONTEST TO BE HELD IN CENTRAL PARK, SUNDAY, NOV. 27, 1960.

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that Central Park will be the scene for an amateur ski jumping contest and exhibitions by five of the United States top professional skiers. This will be the first Winter Sports Day to be held in Central Park at 79th Street and Fifth Avenue on Sunday afternoon, November 27th, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. There will be no admission charge.

The outdoor sports attraction, first of its kind to be held in New York City, is co-sponsored by the New York City Department of Parks, Rheingold Breweries, and the National Winter Sports Show.

The Central Park sports show will be the curtain raiser for winter sports in the New York area and will be the forerunner for the National Winter Sports Show which opens November 30th in the New York Coliseum.

Over one-hundred tons of crushed ice will be placed on Cedar Hill in Central Park, to make it suitable for ski jumping. Leaps of 50 to 60 feet are expected.

The Lake Placid, N.Y., Junior Jumper Club, consisting of 19 boys and one girl all within the ages of 8 to 16 years, will come to New York City to perform and compete in this amateur ski jumping contest.

The girl, Sandra Vivitsky, 14 years of age, is the star of the team and is also the only competitive girl or woman ski jumper in the country. Sandra is recognized as the New England ski jump champion for her age group.

Following the amateur ski jumping contest, professional ski instructors of leading ski schools in the east will demonstrate modern techniques, do slaloms, speed downhill, and perform a number of ski tricks.

They are: Paul Valar of New Hampshire; Rudy Kursteiner of Snow Ridge, New York; Kerr Sparks and Bill Riley of Stowe, Vermont. In addition, newspaperman Cliff Taylor of Rutland, Vermont, will entertain on short skis.

Commissioner Morris notes that skiing is becoming one of America's favorite sports and the Central Park show will enable thousands of skiing enthusiasts from the metropolitan area to enjoy the skiing exhibitions. The outdoor winter sports show is planned as an annual event in Central Park.



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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1960

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that 3,400 photographs were entered in the 1960 Department of Parks Amateur Photography Contest, which closed September 15th. All have been judged and the contestants listed below have been awarded prizes for the best entries in their class and group.

CLASS 1. GROUP A - BLACK & WHITE PHOTOGRAPHS - CHILDREN 14 YRS.& UNDER

1st Place - John Sidties, Jr., 5944 - 57th Rd., Maspeth, Queens Photograph of Aoudad at Central Park Zoo Received a 35 Mm. Robin F-2.8 Camera and case

2nd "Patricia Judreik, 154-55 - 24th Rd., Whitestone, Queens Photograph of boy baiting fishing hook, taken at Bowne Park, Queens Received an Olympus Camera and case

3rd " Elena Arena, 122 Forsyth St., Manhattan
Photograph of children playing checkers in Roosevelt
Park, Manhattan
Received a Starflex Camera outfit

Honorable Mention: Sheila Rockford, 1504 Amsterdam Ave., Manhattan Photograph of Art Class in Annunciation Playground, Manhattan Received a Mark 27 Imperial Camera outfit

CLASS 2. GROUP B - BLACK & WHITE PHOTOGRAPHS - BOYS & GIRLS - 15 to

18 YEARS:

1st Place - Sonia Judreik, 154-55 - 24th Rd., Whitestone, Queens
Photograph of Jungle Gym in St. Michael's Playground
Queens

Received a 35 Mm. Robin F-1.9 Camera and case

CLASS 2 (cont'd.):

2nd Place - Alois Wallner, 436 E. 86th St., Manhattan Photograph of Carl Schurz Park, Manhattan Received a Ricah #44 Camera and case

Janie Petry, 3546 Bronx Blvd., Bronx
Photograph of Bronx River Parkway & Gunhill Rd., Bronx
Received a Ricah #44 Camera and case

CLASS 2. GROUP C - COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS - BOYS & GIRLS - 15 to 18 YRS.:

lst Place - Richard Carlson, 5317 8th Ave., Brooklyn
Photograph of Japanese Garden in Brooklyn Botanical
Gardens
Received a Polaroid 80B Camera

2nd " Maxine Arak, 8861 - 20th Ave., Brooklyn
Photograph of a Festival in a Brooklyn Playground
Received a Yashica Camera

3rd Sonia Judreik, 154-55 - 24th Rd., Whitestone, Queens Photograph of a Study in Concentration, Bowne Park - Queens Received a Yashica Camera

CLASS 3. GROUP D - BLACK & WHITE PHOTOGRAPHS - ADULTS - 19 YRS. & OVER

lst Place - M. Moskowitz, 357 E. 201st St., Bronx
Photograph of Togetherness - Father, daughter and son
sailing a model sail boat in Conservatory Lake in
Central Park
Received a Polaroid Camera and kit

2nd " Arthur Willis, 147-05 Sanford Ave., Flushing, Queens
Photograph of a man lacing a shoe, taken in a triangular
sitting area
Received a Mamiya 35 Mm. Magazine Camera

3rd " Abbie Isaacs, 71 W. 175th St., Manhattan
Photograph of a young lady playing Nok-Hockey in park
playground
Received a G.E. light meter

Honorable Mention: Martin Deutsch, 43 Briar Hill Circle, Springfield
New Jersey
Photograph of a Youngster checking a manhole in
Barrett Park, Richmond
Received a Photo album

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Honorable Mention:

Joseph De Renzis, 1680 Metropolitan ave., Bronx Photograph of a Helping Hand, taken at Bronx Zoo Received a Photo Album

Peter Ambros, 4709 ave. D, Brooklyn Photograph of an Overflow, taken in Prospect Fark Received a Photo Album

CLASS 3, GROUP E, COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS - ADULTS - 19 YRS. & OVER:

lst Place - Harry Collins, 229 E. 38th St., Brooklyn
Photograph of Chess Players in Central Park
Received a Bell & Howell 8 Mm. matched movie set

2nd "Kingdom Lane, 1200 Madison Ave., N. Y. C. Photograph of Boys Fishing in Central Park Received a Mamiya 35 Mm. magazine camera

3rd ** Al Epstein, 58-21 - 150th St., Flushing, Queens Photograph of a Scene in Queens Botanical Gardens Received a G. E. light meter

Honorable Mention: Robert Permisohn, 2005 E. 8th St., Brooklyn Photograph of Diving into the Surf, taken from Steeplechase Pier Received a Photo Album

Only photographs taken in parks, beaches, botanical gardens, golf courses, playgrounds, tennis courts, or parkways under the jurisdiction of the New York City Department of Parks, during the period June 1st and September 8, 1960, were eligible for the contest. Each contestant was limited to a maximum of 12 photographs, 4" x 5" or smaller.



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FOR RELEASE

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1960

The duck hunting season for the Long Island area opens on November 19, 1960.

In the Jamaica Bay area, within the New York City limits, we have established a wildlife refuge as part of this department's conservation program.

At this location, and other areas under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks, hunting and the carrying of firearms are prohibited.

Violators will be subject to prosecution.



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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1960

1-1-1-60M-527176(60) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces the closing for the season of the tennis courts at the end of the day's business, Sunday, November 13, 1960.

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

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1960

1-1-1-60M-527176(60) 114

NEWBOLD MORRIS, COMMISSIONER OF PARKS, URGES VOTERS TO APPROVE THE \$75,000,000 STATE BOND ISSUE FOR ACQUISITION OF PARK LANDS.

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, issued the following statement urging all voters to approve Proposition Number 1, which will authorize the State to issue \$75,000,000, in bonds and make the proceeds available to local governments for the acquisition of lands for park use.

"For the first time in history, the State of New York, under the leadership of Governor Rockefeller, has offered to make available its credit to cities, counties, towns, and villages, provided each of these political subdivisions matches the State grant by appropriating local funds to defray 25% of the cost of acquiring land for recreation purposes.

"The Chairman of the State Council of Parks, former Park Commissioner Robert Moses, and Conservation Commissioner Harold G. Wilm, made a survey of recreation needs throughout the State in 1959. It was this survey and recommendation by the Governor which resulted in legislation being adopted at the 1960 session with only four dissenting votes.

"All that remains to be done is for the people to approve Proposition Number 1 as submitted, and the State will make \$12,000,000 in outright grants to the City of New York in 1961. The City will appropriate its \$4,000,000, making a total \$16,000,000 available for purchasing or condemning private land for public park use within the City's limits.

"Private development of land has proceeded so swiftly during the post-war years, that people may not be aware of the fact that private development is outstripping acquisition of land for public purposes. The presidential election always brings out a maximum vote and there are many issues to be considered as a citizen stands alone facing the voting machine; but we must realize that on top of the machine will be Proposition Number 1, which provides an opportunity for everyone to enjoy more open land for recreation in the most congested area in the world. Vote YES on Proposition Number 1. Let us not throw away this chance."



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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that he has arranged for world-famous figure skating expert, Dick Button, to conduct classes for members of the Park Figure Skating Club beginning at 9:30 a.m. on three consecutive Saturdays, starting on October 22nd, at the Wollman Skating Rink in Central Park.

Mr. Button, currently engaged in theatrical and television production, has generously volunteered to substitute for Joseph Chrystie, the regular Wollman Rink professional, who returns from military service in mid-November. Button's brilliant career as a figure skater was highlighted by twice winning Olympic Championships. He was five times World Figure Skating Champion, as well as the holder of the European and North American Championships. He holds the distinction of winning the United States Amateur Championship seven times.

While Button is no longer actively engaged in the sport, he has agreed to "fill in" in order to encourage the development of talented young members of the Park Figure Skating Club.

For this service Mr. Button has agreed to donate the proceeds towards a scholarship for additional lessons to the youngstor who shows the greatest talent among the members of the club.



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FOR RELEASE

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that traffic on the northbound roadway of the Henry Hudson Parkway at the George Washington Bridge will be restricted to two lanes between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday from Monday, October 17th, to Monday, October 31, 1960.

At all other times and on Saturdays and Sundays, traffic flow will be normal.

This restriction is necessary to permit work in connection with construction of the lower level of the George Washington Bridge.



FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1960

1-1-1-60M-527176(60) 114

The Department of Parks announces that the 1960 renewal of the 3-Man Basketball Tournament has attracted a fine turnout of teenage boys.

Two thousand teams have entered the competition in 3-Age Divisions:

Juniors - 10, 11, and 12; Intermediate - 13 and 14; Seniors - 16 and 17 years of age

The local Round-Robin competition began on September 26, 1960, in three-hundred Department of Parks playgrounds and Police Athletic League Centers, and has been followed by the District Eliminations.

The Borough-wide Eliminations will be held in late October.

The City Championships will be held on Election Day,
November 8th, at the St. John's Recreation Center, located at Prospect
Place between Troy and Schenectady Avenues in Brooklyn. Spectators
are invited to attend. Admission is free.

The prizes to be awarded to the Winners and Runners-up, provided by the Robert Moses - Police Athletic League Fund, are as follows:

Local Champions - Fountain Pens

District Champions - Leather Wallets

Borough Champions - Athletic Carry-all Bags

City Champions - Wrist Watches





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IMMEDIATELY

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that a contract has been awarded to A. Ottavino Company, 1026 Brooklyn Avenue, Brooklyn, for sandblasting the inscription, "Mariners' Gate", on the granite walls at both sides of the entrance to Central Park at West 85th Street and Central Park West.

Although this entrance was officially designated "Mariners' Gate" soon after the creation of Central Park a century ago, there has never been a visible indication of its name.

A generous contribution by the Marine Engineers Beneficial Association, Local No. 33 (A.F.L. - C.I.O.) and several other maritime organizations have made this project possible.



FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1960

1-1-1-60M-527176(60) 4 114

GIFT OF ITALIAN FOUNTAINS TO BEAUTIFY COLUMBUS MONUMENT

A gift, by Douglas Leigh, to the City of New York of a group of 36 Italian-styled fountains to circumscribe the base of the Columbus Monument at Central Park South and Eighth Avenue was announced today by Commissioner of Parks Newbold Morris.

The display, consisting of a reflection pool 60 feet in diameter with 12 vertical and 24 horizontal fountain sprays, will be donated by Mr. Leigh, creator of water displays and electrical spectaculars.

Scheduled to make their debut next year on March 21st, the First Day of Spring, the fountains are inspired by the Neptune Fountain in La Villa D'Este, and the famous Trevi (Three Coins in the Fountain) in Rome. The 12 vertical jets, arranged in geometrical conformity with the granite base of the statue will be capable of reaching a height of 14 feet above the reflecting pool. The 24 horizontal sprays will arch inward from the outer perimeter of the pool. Together, they will project 2,500 gallons of recirculated water into the air every minute.

During the evening and night hours, the waters will be illuminated by 72 large all-white underwater floodlights. The monument, too, will glow from the reflection of the bubbling fountains.

The principal views of the water display will be from the east and west approaches—the gateway to the new Lincoln Center, as well as to other points of interest throughout Manhattan. The site of the fountains, in the heart of Columbus Circle, is adjacent also to such popular attractions as the New York Coliseum, the Hartford Museums, and Central Park.

"Besides enhancing the over-all attractiveness of the Columbus Circle area," Mr. Morris said, "the display will compliment the monument as a graphic tribute honoring the man who discovered America. It will serve also as a moving symbol of beauty to the millions of people who will view the display in years to come. "As the fountains of Rome are among the top tourist attractions in that city," said Mr. Morris, "we feel that the proposed jets and reflecting basin will provide a notable attraction to an area that is rapidly developing as an art and exposition center."

The total cost of the complete display will be from \$60,000 to \$75,000, including expenses incurred by Mr. Leigh on research, travel to Rome, Milan and Florence for study of their fountains, and fees to designers and lighting engineers.

Mr. Leigh was assisted in the development of the display by Charles Armsheimer, a New York visual designer; and Fred Kerwer,



senior Vice President and Lighting Engineer of Mr. Leigh's firm.

Ray Miles, Chief Civil Engineer in the Design Division of the Port of New York Authority, donated his time and skill to work out the hydraulic aspects of this project for Mr. Leigh. Mr. Miles was project manager and hydraulic engineer in the construction of the beautiful fountains at New York's International Airport.

"It gives me great pleasure to provide for the people of New York this touch of the old European cities" Mr. Morris quoted Mr. Leigh as saying, "after all the opportunities New York has given me since I came up from the south thirty years ago. I feel this is only a token of what I owe to my adopted home."

It is of interest to recall that the monument to the great explorer was erected in 1894 through the efforts and generosity of Italian-Americans in New York City who wished to memorialize their famous compatriot.



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK #96 REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1960

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Wollman Memorial Skating Rink in Central Park and the New York City Building in Flushing Meadow Park will be re-opened for ice skating starting Saturday, October 15, 1960, at 10:00 a.m.

The Wollman Memorial is located in Central Park at about 63rd Street, west of Central Park Zoo and north of the 59th Street Lake, and provides for dressing rooms, a food concession, and incidental facilities.

The New York City Building, located in Flushing Meadow Park, is a combination roller and ice skating rink and may be reached by the following transportation lines:

1. IRT to 111th St. Station, Flushing Division

2. Flushing Ridgewood Bus (Q-58) to Park

3. Independent Subway to Roosevelt Ave. Station - transfer to Flushing Branch of IRT

Special carnival and holiday events are being arranged for both facilities. These events will be announced at a future date.

The attached schedules of sessions and rates for each facility will be in effect. However, to permit the World's Fair Corporation, which has a temporary office in the building, to function until their permanent headquarters have been established, the Tuesday morning and daily afternoon schedules for roller skating only have been temporarily suspended at the New York City Building.

SESSION SCHEDULE AND RATES

1960-61 SEASON

WOLLMAN SKATING RINK

ICE SKATING

SESSION:

Daily - Morning 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (Except Saturdays, Holidays, & School vacations)

Morning - Saturdays Holidays and School Vacations only -10:00 a.m. - 12 Noon

Daily	y - Ai	£t e	rnoor	ı
2:30	p.m.		5:30	p.m.

Daily -	Eve:	ning	
8:30 p.m	۔ وا	11:00	p.m.

Evening - Speed	
6:00 p.m 7:00	p.m.
Monday. Wednesday.	and Friday

Evening - Figure	Skating
7:30 p.m 8:30	p.m.
Tuesday, Thursday,	
Sunday morning 9:00	a.m 10 a.m.

Ice Shoe Skate Rentals

RATES:

Child		50¢
Adult	***	50¢

Free Period for Children - 14 years and under No adults admitted

* Child - 10¢ Adult - 25¢ *14 yrs. & under

Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢

Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢

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

50¢

SESSION SCHEDULE AND RATES

1960-61 SEASON

NEW YORK CITY BUILDING

ROLLER SKATING

SESSIONS:

Morning: Sunday only 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Morning: Saturday & Holidays 10:00 a.m. - 12 Noon

Evening: Figure & Dance Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Daily - Evening 8:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Spectators

RATES:

Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢

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

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

Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢

General admission charged for session.

ICE SKATING

Morning: Tuesday & Sunday only 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Morning: Saturday, Holidays and School vacations 10:00 a.m. - 12 Noon

Daily - Afternoon 2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Daily - Evening 8:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Spectators

Evening - Speed Tuesday, Thursday & Saturdays 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Evening - Figure Skating
Monday and Wednesday
7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Fridays: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Sunday morning 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Ice or Roller Shoe Skate Rental Clamp on Roller Skates Season Locker Rental Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢

Free period for children 14 years and under. No adults.

* Child - 10¢ Adults - 25¢

* 14 years and under

Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢

General admission charged for session.

Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢

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

50¢ 25¢ \$ 5.00

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



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK #95 REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 1960

1-1-1-60M-527176(60) II4

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that arrangements have been made with the Heights Opera Company, which presented operas outdoors last summer at the Brooklyn War Memorial and at the East River amphitheatre in Manhattan, to continue the program through the coming winter season.

The winter presentations will be held at the Brooklyn War Memorial, Fulton and Orange Streets, in S. Parkes Cadman Plaza Park in Brooklyn, starting Saturday, October 8, 1960.

"Great Scenes from Great Operas" and "Cavalleria Rusticana" will inaugurate this series which will be held on the second Saturday of each month during the winter months.

Future plans include World Premieres of two new American Operas, plus a program of favorite works.

Not only has this group played to an overflow audience at each of the previous performances, but this is the first time that a privately sponsored program of this type has been continued on a year round basis in the Park System.

All performances start at 8:00 p.m., and there is no charge for admission.





SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1960

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the current roller skating season at Wollman Memorial Skating Rink will terminate at the close of business on Sunday, October 2, 1960.

The facility is located in the easterly side of Central Park at about 63rd Street, west of Central Park Zoo, and west of the 59th Street Lake.

Immediately after the closing of the rink, necessary preparations will start for conversion of the facility for the ice-skating season, scheduled to begin on Saturday, October 15, 1960.





1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1960

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that
Miss Ellen Thommassen, daughter of the Norwegian Consul General, will
present and narrate two playlets - "Shepherders and Sheep" and
"Princess and the Pea" at the Hans Christian Andersen Storytelling
Center in Central Park on Saturday, September 24, 1960, at 11:00 a.m.

In the latter playlet the children from the audience will participate.

Baroness Alma von Dahlerup of the Danish American Women's Association, who has in the past arranged for special programs for this facility, has obtained the services of this talented lady for this occasion.

The Hans Christian Andersen Memorial is located at the west bank of the Conservatory Lake at 72nd Street in Central Park, near Fifth Avenue.



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FOR RELEASE

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) -114

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1960

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that Cromwell Recreation Center, Pier 6, Staten Island, will be open to limited use due to the rehabilitation of the heating system presently being done by contract.

The main basketball area where the major work is being performed will be closed until October 3rd. However, the ping pong room, games room, wood working shop, and comfort stations are open for normal use.

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IMMEDIATELY

I-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the storm of September 12, 1960, which struck the city with hurricane force damaged and uprooted many street and park trees. Approximately 5,500 trees were toppled over, their roots having been loosened by the heavy rainfall and approximately 4,500 were damaged by the strong gales which left broken and hanging branches.

In Brooklyn and Queens tree damage was the greatest.

1960 TREE CENSUS

BROOKLYN:	STREETS	PARKS	*TOTALS	
	117,000	105,500	*22 1, 500	
Damaged Destroyed	750 1,000	400 300	1,150) 1,300)	2,450
MANHATTAN:	15,200	170,000	*185,200	
Damaged Destroyed	40 110	150 390	190) 500)	690
BRONX:	48,000	316,000	*364,000	
Damaged Destroyed	300 475	500 510	800) 985)	1,785
QUEENS:	293 , 264	999,533	*1,292,797	
Damaged Destroyed	1,300 1,500	500 600	1,800) 2,100)	3,900

RICHMOND:	STREETS	PARKS	<u> TOTALS</u>	
	76,000	201,000	* 277 , 000	
Damaged Destroyed	275 400	250 60 	525) 460)	985
TOTALS:	549,464	1,792,033	*2,341,497	
Damaged Destroyed	2,665 3,4 85	1,800 1,860	4,465) 5,345)	9,810

* Prior to Storm

A comparative analysis of the damage to trees in the storms of 1938, 1944, and 1950, is as follows:

•	<u>1938</u>	<u> 1944</u>	<u>1950</u>
STREETS:	8,000	22,000	5,000
PARKS:	4,000	11,500	5,000
	12,000	33,500	10,000

All available employees and equipment are working overtime together with other city agencies, to clear the streets of trees and broken branches. I have requested the Board of Estimate to appropriate \$200,000 for some of the work to be done by contract because Park Department forces are working overtime and cannot handle all of it.

The public is asked to refrain from calling on tree complaints so that the department's switchboards, which are now swamped with calls, can be free to expedite work necessary to meet this emergency. Individuals can help by straightening and staking

smaller trees which, while not uprooted, have been pushed over slightly. The equipment necessary to do this work is two pointed stakes about 8 feet long, a strip of heavy canvas, heavy burlap, or some old rubber hose, and heavy wire.

Loosen and saturate the soil around the base of the tree and work the tree to permit the roots to fit back into their former position. Drive the stakes down on both sides of the tree, keeping at least one foot away from the tree. Straighten up tree and wire tree to stakes. Protect the bark of the tree by wrapping wire that touches the tree with heavy canvas, folded layers of burlap, or run wire through rubber hosing.

Spread excess soil over exposed roots and tamp soil down firmly all around the tree.

The public is reminded that the Department of Parks is not responsible for the care or maintenance of trees on private property.





IMMEDIATELY

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the 19th Annual Harvest Dance Contest will be held at the Mall in Central Park on Thursday evening, August 25, 1960, 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 foxtrot, waltz, cha-cha-cha, 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.

Henry Jerome and his orchestra will provide the music for the dancers and will entertain the spectators during intermission.

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

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





FRIDAY, AUGUST 26, 1960

I-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that two popular summer sports activities in the Robert Moses - P.A.L. series for teenagers come to a conclusion this weekend and early next week. The Volleyball Tournament for boys and girls to 16 years of age, which began with local eliminations on July 18th, concludes with special Borough Championship playoffs this Saturday, August 27th. Park Department winners will compete against the P.A.L. Play Street and Center Champions. Game locations and starting times follow:

Manhattan Championship, East River Park and Grand St., 1:00 p.m.

Brooklyn Championship, St. Mary's Recreation Center, 1:00 p.m.

Queens Championship, Pomonok Houses, 2:00 p.m.

Richmond Championship, Cromwell Pier, 2:00 p.m.

The Robert Moses - P.A.L. Boys' Baseball Leagues, Junior, Intermediate, and Senior operating since July 5th, feature a triple header final at Babe Ruth Field, Macombs Dam Park, 161st Street and Jerome Ave., Bronx, on Monday, August 29th, starting at 10:00 a.m.

Last year's final was held at Ebbets Field. 175 teams competed in the 1960 local round-robin and inter-borough eliminations.



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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 1960

1-1-1-60M-707199(58) 114

Four thousand men and women will tee off in the 10th annual Blind Bogey Golf Tournament to be conducted by the Department of Parks under the sponsorship of the F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Company, on Sunday, August 28th, at the 10 municipal golf courses. This tournament has the largest entry of golfers competing in any one golf tournament. Contestants have been limited to 400 at each course.

As all players have selected their own handicaps, the duffer is not at a disadvantage in competing with more skilled and experienced golfers. Play will consist of 18 holes of medal play. At each course, the man and woman whose net score with the selected handicap comes closest to the Blind Bogey, will be declared the winners.

The low gross winners, one man and one woman from each course, will be eligible to compete in a mixed twosome championship on Sunday, September 11th, at La Tourette Golf Course, Richmond.

Prizes donated by the F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Company, will be presented to the Blind Bogey winners and to the low gross scorers at each course. The Schaefer Trophy will go to the course represented by the mixed twosome winners and individual prizes will be presented to the winners and runners-up in the competition.





TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 1960

1-1-1-60M-\$29072(59)

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that an agreement has been reached with the Heights Opera Workshop to present a Fall Festival of Operas at the East River Park Amphitheatre, East River Drive and Corlears Street, in Manhattan.

"La Boheme" will be presented on Thursday, August 25, 1960, followed by "La Tosca" on Thursday, September 1, 1960. Performances start at 8:30 p.m., and admission is free.

The Heights Opera Workshop of 63 Cranberry Street, Brooklyn, has just completed a series of seven operas at the Brooklyn War Memorial in Cadman Plaza Park, Brooklyn, where the performances were widely acclaimed by the audiences and press.

All of the cast are talented performers and many will be stars and conductors of the future.

Mr. George O'Farrell is the Managing Director and his wife, Virginia, is in charge of costumes.





1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 1960

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that an extra performance of "Puppet Carnival" has been added to the schedule of the Park Department's traveling Marionette Theatre.

The additional presentation will be held at the promenade walk at Riverside Park at 105th Street, directly above the dance area, and will take place on Friday, August 19th, at 11:00 a.m.

Children and parents are invited to attend this sparkling, hour-long musical variety show. The location may be reached most conveniently by entering Riverside Park at 103rd Street and following the signs to the dance area.

Following this special showing, the regular schedule includes daily performances in Brooklyn through Thursday, August 25th. From August 26th through September 2nd, "Puppet Carnival" will be shown in the Borough of Richmond.

Admission is free.





FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 1960

The Department of Parks will continue accepting entries through September 13th, for the 3rd annual Amateur Photographic Contest. Shutterbugs planning to enter may find numerous sources of inspiration in the City's parks and playgrounds during the coming month.

For those who believe that people and what they do, make the most interesting subjects, the ballfields, swimming pools, beaches, games courts, golf courses, picnic and fishing areas, and boating facilities will afford excellent action shots. Young children can be caught at play in the playgrounds, wading pools, at model yacht ponds, or on the carousels and pony rides.

artists with the camera may find an equal number of opportunities for unusual photographs. The larger parks abound with the beauties of nature - wildlife, water, trees, rock formations, and attractive vistas.

Amateur photographers will be permitted to enter up to 12 photographs in the contest. Entries will be judged in the following classes:

CLASS 1: Children 14 years of age and under GROUP A - Black and white photographs only

CLASS 2: Boys and girls 15 through 18 years of age GROUP B - Black and white photographs GROUP C - Color photographs

CLASS 3: Adults 19 years of age and over GROUP D - Black and white photographs GROUP E - Color photographs

Any action or scene photographed between June 1st and September 6, 1960, at any park, playground, beach, pool, golf course, games court, or parkway under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks, City of New York, is eligible for the contest, providing the photographs are no larger than 4" x 5".

Judging will be based on subject matter and composition. Prizes will be awarded to contestants in each group who submitted the best pictures.

Entry blanks may be secured and entries filed at any Department of Parks borough office or playground.







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FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 1960

Golfers at New York City's 10 municipal golf courses may file their entries for the 10th annual Blind Bogey Tournament and Mixed Twosome Championship which will be conducted by the Department of Parks under the sponsorship of the F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Company, beginning Sunday, August 28th. All regular patrons of municipal courses, who are 18 years of age or over, are eligible to compete. Entries must be filed on or before Monday, August 22nd, at the course where contestant wishes to play. Registration will be limited to 400 at each course.

The Blind Bogey competition has proved popular with public links players because the duffer competes on an equal footing with the low scoring golfer and because it offers contestants the rare privilege, on public courses, of reserved time for teeing off.

Competition consists of 18 holes of medal play. Each golfer chooses his own handicap and at the close of competition, the player whose net score with his chosen handicap comes closest to the Blind Bogey, is declared the winner. U.S.G.A. rules will govern all play.

The low gross winners, one man and one woman from each course, will compete in the Mixed Twosome Championship on Sunday, September 11th, at the La Tourette Golf Course, Richmond. In this

competition, 18 holes of medal play, the man will drive from oddnumbered tees, the woman from even-numbered tees, or vice versa. From tee to green partners play every other shot.

Handsome prizes donated by the F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Company will be awarded at each course to 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 members of winning and runner-up teams.





FRIDAY, AUGUST 12, 1960

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that work in connection with the repaving of a portion of the westbound roadway of Grand Central Parkway, between Hazen and 71st Streets in the Borough of Queens, will start at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, August 16, 1960.

Traffic will be detoured to the service road between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. during weekdays. The roadway will be fully opened to traffic at all other hours during the week and all day on Saturday, Sunday, and holidays.

Signs have been posted to guide motorists.



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FOR RELEASE

1-1-1-60M-707199(58)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 1960

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces the scheduling of four additional concerts in city parks. The Million Dollar Band conducted by the noted Music Director, Paul Taubman, will make its initial Park Department appearance at Silver Lake Park, Staten Island, on Thursday, August 11th, at 8:30 p.m.

Paul Taubman, Music Director for NBC, and one of America's busiest television conductors, will act as emcee, as well as conductor of the concerts. Audience "sing-along" will be a feature of every program.

The fifty piece brass band composed of many members of the original Toscaninni orchestra is being sponsored by the Rheingold Brewery.

The schedule in city parks:

August 11 - Silver Lake Park, Staten Island

16 - Washington Square Park, Manhattan

- Steeplechase Pier, Coney Island, Brooklyn

25 - Harlem Meer, 106th St., Central Park, Manhattan

All concerts will begin at 8:30 p.m.



#81



IMMEDIATELY

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that on Wednesday, August 3, 1960, at Noon the New York State Conservation Department will release 50 young red head ducks in the Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge. Because there is a scarce supply of red duck, the Conservation Department is releasing ducks in various parts of the State in an effort to increase the breeding areas.

The Department of Parks is happy to use its facility to increase this species of duck.

The Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge is located at Crossbay Boulevard between Howard Beach and Broad Channel in the Borough of Queens.

N.B.: Press photos may be taken.





THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

The Department of Parks announces that entries are being accepted for the 12th Annual Department of Parks Handball Tournament. Competition will be conducted in three divisions: Girls, 16 years of age and over; Boys, 15, 16, and 17 years of age; and Men, 18 years of age and over who have not competed in Amateur Athletic Union handball competitions.

Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Department of Parks playgrounds and borough offices. Entries close Monday, August 29th. There is no entry fee.

Eliminations will be conducted at 29 courts located in the five boroughs, to be followed by borough championships. City-wide championship matches will be conducted at the North Meadow courts in Central Park in October.

Prizes will be awarded to players placing first and second in district, borough, and city championship games.





THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

The Department of Parks announces that on Sunday, August 7, 1960, the finalists in the Women's and Juniors City-Wide Golf Championship will tee off at the Silver Lake Golf Course, Victory Boulevard and Park Road, Richmond.

9:00 a.m. and must report to the starter on the first tee, ready for play, 15 minutes prior to the starting time.

The schedule for the tournament is as follows:

JUNIORS	COURSE	WOMEN
9:00 a.m.		9:30 a.m.
Stephan Zuntag Charles Frick John La Salla Ronald Cepelak	Silver Lake La Tourette Dyker Beach Van Cortlandt	Lucy Larson Mildred Hannish Marce Hyman Nancy Dalby
9:06 a.m.		9:36 a.m.
Kenneth Wonsowicz Thomas Gorham Lawrence Marra Mark Ginsberg	Silver Lake La Tourette Dyker Beach Van Cortlandt	Marge Bryan Eleanor Shea Gertrude Hyde Elizabeth Wright
9:12 a.m.		9:42 a.m.
Harold Paulson Bruce Milove Edward Wolfarth Martin Schlissberg	Forest Park Mosholu Clearview Pelham	Mary McNally Myrtle Patterson Jeanne Fried Rie Casella

JUNIORS	COURSE	WOMEN
9:18 a.m.		9:48 a.m.
Michael McKenna Michael Backer Steven Brno David Yurman	Forest Park Mosholu Split Rock Kissena	Martha Godwin Daisy Gorham Helen Epstein Ruth Kelly
9:24 a.m.		9:54 a.m.
Jerry Freundlich Fred Berman Fred Pollack Richard Leonescu	Split Rock Kissena Clearview Pelham	Jeules Brussel Ernie Hoffman Connie Miller Marie Selvaggio





WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Borough championships in the 19th Annual Harvest Dance Contest to be conducted by the Department of Parks, will be conducted according to the following schedule:

ALL CONTESTS BEGIN AT 8:30 p.m.

QUEENS Victory Field. Forest Park

Tues., August 9 Woodhaven Blvd. and Myrtle Ave., Glendale

BRONX Poe Park

Wed., August 10 192nd St. and Grand Concourse

RICHMOND Cromwell Recreation Center

Wed., August 10 Murray Hulbert Ave. and Hannah St., Tompkinsville

MANHATTAN Wollman Memorial, Central Park

Thurs., August 11 Opposite 64th St. and Fifth Ave.

BROOKLYN Prospect Park Dance Area

Fri., August 12 Prospect Park W. and 11th St.

Competitions will be conducted in four dance divisions:

Fox Trot, Waltz, Cha-Cha, and Jitterbug. Contestants placing first, second, and third in each dance division will be eligible to compete in the City Championships to be held on the Mall in Central Park on Thursday, August 25th, at 8:30 p.m.

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



FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Entries are being accepted for the 12th Annual Horseshoe Pitching Tournament conducted by the Department of Parks. Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Department of Parks playgrounds and borough offices. Entries close August 29th.

Junior Division competition is open to boys 15, 16, and 17 years of age. The Senior Division competition is open to boys and men 18 years of age and over.

Eliminations will be conducted at 26 horseshoe pitching areas located in the five boroughs. These will be followed by borough championships. City championships will be held at Heckscher Playground in Central Park in mid-October.

Prizes will be awarded to those placing first and second in district and borough championships and to the top four contestants in the City Championships.





WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Entries are being accepted for the 14th Annual Junior Olympic Sports Festival to be conducted by the Department of Parks at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 10th, at Downing Stadium, Randalls Island.

There are 56 events scheduled as follows:

- 11 Track and Field events for boys 17 years of age and under
- 5 Track events for girls 17 years of age and under
- 2 Track events for boys who are members of High School track squads
- 8 Track and Field events for athletes (male) registered with the A.A.U.
- 4 Track and Field events for athletes (female) registered with the A.A.U.
- 7 Invitation weight-lifting events
- 6 Invitation boxing events
- 6 Invitation wrestling events
- 3 Invitation gymnastic events
- Bicycle races for cyclists registered with the Amateur Bicycle League of America
- Non-racing bicycle event for boys 17 years of age and under, not registered with the A.B.L. of America

Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Park Department playgrounds and borough offices. Entries close August 30th.





MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 1960

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces the opening on August 8th, at 11:00 a.m. of the Second Annual Junior Fishing Contest for Boys and Girls, 6 through 15 years of age.

This event, which has such appeal to youth, will be held at the 72nd Street Lake in Central Park, and will again be sponsored by New York Lodge #1, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Fishing will continue daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for two and one-half weeks culminating in the Awards Day ceremony on Thursday, August 25th.

Special prizes of fishing kits for the heaviest fish landed, the longest fish, the greatest number caught and the greatest aggregate length during the entire contest, as well as prizes for Opening and Closing Day, and special weekly awards will be presented to the successful anglers.

Youngsters interested in competing may secure entry blanks at any Park Department Playground, at the Lake at 72nd Street beginning on August 1st, or by writing to the Manhattan Recreation Office, Arsenal Building, 64th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y. Each competitor will receive a free Official Contest Badge when he appears at the Lake. This will make him eligible for any of the scores of prizes.

Second Annual

New York Lodge #1 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks

JUNIOR FISHING CONTEST

72nd STREET LAKE IN CENTRAL PARK

IN COOPERATION WITH

	NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
FOR:	Boys and Girls 6 through 15 years of age.
WHERE:	72nd St. Lake in Central Park.
WHEN:	Begins Monday, August 8th, 1960 at 11:00 A.M. Ends Thursday, August 25th, 1960 at 3:00 P.M.
PRIZES:	For the heaviest fish caught during the entire contest. (In case of tie in weight, length will determine the winner.)
	For the greatest number of fish caught.
	For the contestant whose total catch has the greatest aggregate length.
	For the longest fish caught in the contest.
	For special contest on Opening Day. Prizes for 10 winners.
	also
	Weekly prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th heaviest fish caught by a Boy.
	Weekly prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th heaviest fish caught by a Girl.
	Special awards for contestants from children's agencies on INVITATION DAY, Thursday, Aug. 18th, 196
	Special—Free refreshments for all prize winners and their parents on Awards Day—August 25th.
RULES	OF CONTEST: See reverse side of this sheet for details.
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Arsenal, S	FOR OF RECREATION 5th Ave, and 64th \$t. k 21, N. Y.
Departm	clease enter me in the 2nd Annual Fishing Contest to be conducted by N. Y. Lodge \$ 1, B.P.O.E. in cooperation with the ent of Parks. I pledge myself to use the facilities of our City Parks in a proper and sportsmanlike manner at all times the rights of others using the Parks, and to conserve and protect Park property and the natural resources contained in the rights of others using the Parks, and to conserve and protect Park property and the natural resources contained in the rights of others using the Parks, and to conserve and protect Park property and the natural resources contained in the rights of others using the Parks, and to conserve and protect Park property and the natural resources contained in the rights of others using the Parks.
	Signature
Date of	Birth Address
	I hereby give my consent to my son or daughter to take part in this contest.
	Signature of Parent or Guardian
NOTE:	Completed entry blanks, with parent's signature, must be mailed to:

New York 21, N. Y.

Upon receipt of the completed entry blank you will be issued your Official Contest Badge at the 72nd Street Lake.

Supervisor of Recreation Department of Parks 5th Avenue and 64 Street

Rules of Contest

- 1. Each contestant must wear his Official Contest Badge while fishing.
- 2. Each contestant must furnish his own equipment and bait and must bait his own hook, do his own casting and land his own fish without assistance. All fishing must be in designated areas. No "bolo" casting. No fishing from boats.
- 3. To be eligible for a prize, all fish caught must be taken at once—while still on the hook—to a Park Department employee at the Official's table to be registered. Prize winners will be notified by letter, which will serve as admission card to the Awards Day Ceremony on Thursday, August 25th, 1960 at 3:00 P.M.
- 4. New York State Fish and Game Laws and Department of Parks rules and regulations must be observed.
- 5. Total daily (including Saturdays and Sundays) catch will be limited to 5 fish per contestant.
- 6. Fishing contest hours will be from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.
- 7. Individual contestants are limited to one major prize.
- 8. In the case of other awards, each contestant is eligible for one prize—either a weekly prize or a special OPENING DAY or CLOSING DAY prize.
- 9. Decision of the judges will be final.

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New York Lodge #1 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks JUNIOR FISHING CONTEST ENTRY BLANK

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FRIDAY, JULY 29, 1960

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the third concert of the season by the Naumburg Symphony Orchestra will be given on the Mall in Central Park on Sunday evening, July 31st, at 8:30 p.m. Robert Russell Bennett will conduct and Asunta Dell'Aquila, Harpist; Daniel Vandersall, Violoncellist; and Joseph Eger, French Horn; will appear as guest soloists. The program will be as follows:

PROGRAM

"THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER"

Wachet Auf
(In memory of Elkan Naumburg, Founder of the Concerts)

1. Overture - "Egmont" Ludwig van Beethoven

2. Concerto for Harp and Violoncello ... Robert Russell Bennett
Asunta Dell'Aquila, Harpist
Daniel Vandersall, Cellist

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- 3. Suite of Old American Dances Robert Russell Bennett
- 4. Horn Concerto, No. 1, in E-flat Richard Strauss

(Premiere Performance)

5. Excerpts from "Flower Drum Song".... Richard Rodgers

"AMERICA"

ROBERT RUSSELL BENNETT is an outstanding figure in contemporary American music, honored in Carnegie Hall and on Broadway as arranger, conductor, and composer of exceptional compositions.

ASUNTA DELL'AQUILA, the well known harpist, has won laurels here and abroad as soloist in chamber music groups and orchestras. She has just returned from a successful tour of Italy and France.

DANIEL VANDERSALL, violoncellist, a member of the excellent Nieuw Amsterdam Trio has also appeared with Miss Dell'Aquila in the Arpa-Cello Duo which has had enthusiastic reception in concert tours. The concerto introduced tonight was especially written for these artists.

JOSEPH EGER, known through concert appearances and records, has an international reputation as a foremost virtuoso on the French Horn. He has appeared in the dual role of soloist and director of the deservedly acclaimed Camera Concerti, a chamber orchestra.





THURSDAY, JULY 28, 1960 - P.M.

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STATEMENT BY NEWBOLD MORRIS, COMMISSIONER OF PARKS, AT THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE BOARD OF ESTIMATE, THURSDAY, JULY 28, 1960, ON HARTFORD PAVILION

In urging the members of the Board of Estimate to adopt the resolutions accepting the generous gift of Mr. Hartford I should like to point out that we are not suggesting any change in Park policy.

As early as 1861, by act of Legislature passed on March 27 of that year, the right of Park Commissioners to accept gifts for the improvement of Central Park has been clearly established. The above-mentioned legislation states:

"The said Board (of Commissioners of the Central Park) is hereby authorized to take and hold any gifts, devises or bequests that may be made to said Board, upon such trusts and conditions as may be prescribed by the donors or grantors thereof, and agreed to by said Board, for the purpose of embellishing or ornamenting said Park; and shall annually make in its report a statement in detail of the condition and value of all such gifts, devises, or bequests, and of the names of the persons by whom the same are so given, devised, or bequeathed."

This principle has been perpetuated and amplified in Section 532 of the City Charter which provides that the Commissioner of Parks shall have the power and it shall be his duty (subdivision 9):

"to have the management, direction and control of all real or personal property granted, devised, bequeathed or conveyed to the city for the extension, improvement or ornamentation of the parks, squares or public places in the city or for the establishment or maintenance, within the limits of any such park, square or public place of museums, zoological, botanical or other gardens, collections of natural history, observatories, or works of art, or playgrounds or other recreational properties, and upon such trusts and conditions as may be prescribed by the grantors or donors thereof and accepted by the commissioner."

Opponents of the Hartford Pavilion have asserted that the Park Commissioner should not accept such a gift without affording the public an opportunity to voice its opinion on the matter. Actually, full and prompt publicity was given to the gift and the public has exercised its right to be heard. If the Commissioner of Parks had wished to evade an expression of public opinion, the funds given by Mr. Hartford would not have been deposited with the Comptroller, an act which made consideration and favorable action on various contracts by the Board of Estimate a necessity. This procedure was taken voluntarily by Commissioner Moses to permit the fullest opportunity for opponents of the project to be heard.

The Hartford Pavilion has been denounced as a commercial enterprise, as a taking of public property for a special and dubious purpose, and as an inappropriate use of park land. If such is the case, the practices of a century of park administration have been wrong without meeting serious criticism. The boat houses, the other eating places in Central Park and throughout the park system, the gasoline stations on the parkways, the boat basins, the restaurants at Jones Beach and the other state parks, the hotels and camps in

the national park system -- all are operated on a similar basis to the proposal for the Hartford Pavilion. They are carefully regulated concessions operated by carefully selected concessionaires. They have not been considered commercial enterprises. Instead, even though many of their patrons make no other use of the parks in which they are situated, they are commonly accepted as legitimate and appropriate park facilities for the recreation, enjoyment and service of the general public. No one ever objected to the gift which Mr. Rockefeller made of the beautiful restaurant in Fort Tryon Park.

The 3rd annual Report of the Board of Commissioners of the Central Park to the Board of Alderman in January, 1860, stated that "ground is reserved for a geometrical flower garden with wall fountain, for public houses of refreshment, residences of the super-intendent and head gardener, a police station and for an Astronomical Observatory." We know that "public houses of refreshment" were provided in both Central and Prospect Parks, the masterpieces of Olmsted and Vaux. They did not attempt to provide all of these facilities that would be needed by a vast population a hundred years later but they recognized the value of refreshment pavilions in a park development as a form of relaxation and recreation for the city dweller, having seen them in the parks, squares and boulevards of Europe.

The Hartford Pavilion is a modern expression of that tradition. Light, airy and graceful, it will give the pedestrian a chance to relax after a stroll in the park or along the tree-shaded walks of Fifth Avenue and Central Park South. The patron can enjoy the panorama of the Plaza or look out over the lake and the trees to the north. It will be appreciated by the timid, the weary or the elderly who would be unable to enjoy the park atmosphere and scenery if it were not there. One lady wrote to me she looked forward to this quiet retreat after a long day in the park with her children. Being designed for the pedestrian, it will not require the use of park land for parking space, as would be the case at other locations elsewhere in the park. With a crefully screened and concealed service access road and utilizing a park area which cannot be used for other park purposes because of the subway structure beneath it, the Hartford Pavilion will add immeasurably to the appeal and glamour of one of the most attractive parts of the park and of the City.

Opponents of the Pavilion have stated that "if it caters to all park users it would appear that the character of the area where it is to be erected would inevitably be downgraded." The best answer to this surprising and cynical statement is probably to be found in a report by the first great American landscape architect, Andrew Jackson Downing, which was incorporated in the report of the Park Commissioners to the Board of Aldermen on January 5, 1857. Downing laid the philosophic basis for the establishment and development of Central Park as it was later brought to reality by the planning of Olmsted and Vaux. He wrote:

"We have said nothing of the social aspect of such a great park in New York. But this is really the most

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interesting phase of the whole matter. It is a fact, not a little remarkable, that, ultra democratic as are the political tendencies of America, its most intelligent social tendencies are almost wholly in a contrary direction. And among the topics discussed by the advocates and opponents of the new park, none seem so poorly understood as the social aspect of the It is indeed both curious and amusing to see the stand taken on the one hand by the million, that the park is made for the "upper ten," who ride in fine carriages; and on the other hand, by the wealthy and refined, that a park in this country will be "usurped by rowdies and low people." Shame upon our republican compatriots, who so little understand the elevating influences of the beautiful in nature and in art, when enjoyed in common by thousands and hundreds of thousands in all classes without distinction."

Long before I assumed the office of Commissioner of Parks I realized that as a member of the City Art Commission I would have to pass on both the site and the design of the proposed sidewalk cafe and restaurant. I went and looked at the location, walked all around it and observed the few people who were using it at different times of the day. It is a bank sloping on a 45 degree angle from the stone wall. I finally decided that of all the possible locations this was the best. Some opponents have urged me to relocate it so it will be at Columbus Circle. But there the ground is level with lawns and sidewalks heavily used. I still had misgivings because when one thinks of the building one thinks in terms of bulk and masonry, so I reserved judgment because of my respect for the work of Mr. Stone. When his design came through all my doubts were resolved. When the project was submitted to the Art Commission my colleagues shared my own rapture. They approved it unanimously.

I urge the members of the Board to vote in the affirmative, to accept this wonderful gift and to approve the architect's contract. I think it's time somebody said "thank you" to Mr. Hartford.





THURSDAY, JULY 28, 1960

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Park Department will present a concert by the City Symphony Orchestra of New York, Franz Bibo, Conductor, on Saturday, July 30, 1960, at 8:30 p.m. at the Mall in Central Park. Mary Lou Galen, Violist, will be the guest soloist. The program will be as follows:

PROGRAM

Soloist: MARY LOU GALEN, Violist

- 1. Overture Fantasy "Romeo and Juliet" Tchaikovsky
- 2. Violin Concerto in e-minor, op. 64 Mendelssohn
 Allegro molto appassionato
 Andante Allegretto non troppo
 Allegro molto vivace

INTERMISSION

- 3. Symphony No. 5 from "The New World" Dvorak
 Second Movement Largo
 Fourth Movement Allegro con fuoco
- 4. Waltz "The Blue Danube" Strauss
- 5. March "When Johnny Comes Marching Home"..... arr. Morton Gould





IMMEDIATELY

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces for the 2nd successive year the Robert Moses - P.A.L. Summer program will feature 4 popular tournament activities for New York City's teenage and younger population. Entry blanks are available at all Park Department playgrounds and Police Athletic League Play Streets and Centers for Shuffleboard, Paddle Tennis, Swimming and Volleyball.

Volleyball, initiated for the first time this year, will be played by Boys 14, 15, and 16 years of age, and a Girls Division with the same age division. Local eliminations to decide an ultimate Borough Championship are now in progress. Newly-formed teams may still enter.

There is no entry fee for any of the activities, and winners and runners-up will receive handsome awards of luggage, pen and pencil sets, wallets and watches.

The tournament dates:

Volleyball - July 18 to August 27

Shuffleboard - August 8 to August 15

Paddle Tennis - August 15 to August 21

Swimming Meets - August 22 to August 26





THURSDAY, JULY 21, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the first round of the Men's Golf Championships will start Saturday, July 23, 1960, at noon at Pelham Golf Course, Shore Road, Pelham Bay Park, Bronx.

The 32 low medal scorers in the team championships will compete over the next three weekends to determine the New York City public links match championships.

The defending champion, Lou Cerbone of Split Rock, is the favorite with his major competition coming from Jim Haverty and Charles Amandoles from La Tourette, with Joe Roccisano and John De Pierro of Split Rock or possible dark horses who stand a good chance of upsetting the favorites.

Saturday, July 23, Noon: Players play 18 holes of Match Play Sunday, July 24, 10 a.m.: 18 Survivors play 18 holes of Match Play Saturday, July 30, Soon: 8 Survivors play 18 holes of Match Play Sunday, July 31, 10 a.m.: 4 Survivors play 18 holes of Match Play Saturday, August 6, 9 am: 2 Survivors play 36 holes of Match Play





WEDNESDAY, JULY 13, 1960.

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks announces the completion of construction of a Three-Wall-Handball Court, located near Jefferson Boulevard, opposite Graham Avenue, South Beach, in the Borough of Richmond,

This new handball court is the fifth of this type of facility which is provided in the park system. The others are located at Lincoln Terrace Park in Brooklyn, Forest Park, Queens, Crotona Park in the Bronx, and Central Park in Manhattan.

These new handball courts have had an enthusiastic reception by handball players and are one of the many recreational facilities available to the public in the parks and playgrounds in New York City.





WEDNESDAY, JULY 13 1960.

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening of a playground located between Francis Lewis Boulevard and 201 Street north of 42nd Avenue in the Borough of Queens.

This new 1.446 acre playground provides facilities for all age groups and is divided into several sections. The easterly section contains a baseball field, a large open play area, and two basketball courts. The north-westerly section contains a play area for pre-school children and provides, slides, see-saws, shower basin, a sand pit and a comfort station, the south westerly section contains 2 hand-ball courts.

This is a jointly operated playground and the area for older children will be operated by the Board of Education when school is in session, and by the Department of Parks at all other times.

With the addition of this facility, there are now 790 playgrounds in the park system.





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SUNDAY, JULY 10, 1960

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Park Department will present a concert on Tuesday Evening, July 12, 1960, at the Harlem Meer.

This is the first of a series of six concerts to be presented each Tuesday Evening until august 17, 1960. The opening concert will have Joe Valle and his orchestra playing Spanish American music.

The Harlem Meer in Central Park can be reached by entering the park at the 110th Street and Fifth Avenue entrance.

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FRIDAY, JULY 8, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the City-Wide Team Championships Golf Tournament, Men's Division, 36 Holes, will be held on Sunday, July 10, 1960, at La Tourette Golf Course, Forest Hill Avenue and Rockland Avenue, Staten Island.

SCHEDULE OF STARTING TIMES

Golfers must report to starter on first tee, ready for play, 15 minutes before starting time. All foursomes will follow same order for second round, starting immediately after first round is completed.

STARTING TIME	FOURS OME	COURSE
8:00 a.m.	James Haverty William Adelhelm James Iacovelli John Amanna	La Tourette Dyker Beach Silver Lake Van Cortlandt
8:06 a.m.	Mario Rispoli Kenneth Benson Frank Hannigan Chris Joyce, Jr.	La Tourette Dyker Beach Silver Lake Van Cortlandt
8:12 a.m.	Ted Mikrut John Raffaniello Tom Drake David Rosen	La Tourette Dyker Beach Silver Lake Van Cortlandt
8:18 a.m.	Tony Muratore Harry Kaufman William Vitale Nat Gilmore	La Tourette Dyker Beach Silver Lake Van Cortlandt

STARTING TIME	FOURSOME	COURSE
8:24 a.m.	William Lees James Liotta Gilbert Smith Bart Braca	La Tourette Dyker Beach Silver Lake Van Cortlandt
8:30 a.m.	George Delancy Ed Majka Peter Donlan Bervin Hamilton	La Tourette Dyker Beach Silver Lake Van Cortlandt
8:36 a.m.	E. J. Messier James Walker Lou Cerbone William Winders	Forest Park Mosholu Pelham Kissena
8:42 a.m.	Michael Curran Richard Carroll Austin Straub Eugenio Sanabria	Clearview Split Rock Forest Park Mosholu
8:48 a.m.	Richard Asciutto William Zizek Daniel Trice Joe Roccisano	Pelham Kissena Clearview Split Rock
8:54 a.m.	Frederic Zollet Tim Thomas Tim McCarthy William Prush	Forest Park Mosholu Pelham Kissena
9:00 a.m.	Richard Bunt Berny Kane Anthony Dronina Art Thomas	Clearview Split Rock Forest Park Mosholu
9:06 a.m.	Ike Pickney Dixon Young Frank Meystrik John De Pierro	Pelham Kissena Clearview Split Rock
9:12 a.m.	Charles McKenzie P. S. Vidal Pat Fiorito Carl Steinhauer	Forest Park Mosholu Pelham Kissena
9:18 a.m.	Gene Oeschger Andy Scholl Harry Rohrs S. Forman	Clearview Split Rock Forest Park Mosholu

STARTING TIME FOURSOME COURSE 9:24 a.m. James Pugh Pelham Walter Wutkiewitcz Kissena William Reiner Clearview Henry Powers Split Rock ALTERNATES LA TOURETTE FOREST PARK MOSHOLU 1. J. McMillan 1. Charles Amandoles 1. Joseph Costanzo 2. Guy Romano 2. William Grant SILVER LAKE PELHAM CLEARVIEW John Ferrara 1. Louis Moreno 1. N. Fabian 2. Steward Wood 2. Anthony Mangeno 2. S.B. Roccisano SPLIT ROCK VAN CORTLANDT KISSENA 1. George Toth 1. Ralph Muranelli Fred Dougherty 2. Charles Wright 2. Thomas D. Tyson DYKER BEACH 1. Roy Noack 2. James Farber

TELEPHONE NUMBER, LA TOURETTE GOLF COURSE: ELgin 1-1840





FRIDAY, JULY 8, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that a portion of the westbound roadway of Grand Central Parkway, between Hazen and 71st Streets in the Borough of Queens, is to be repaved. Work will start at 10 a.m. on Monday, July 11th.

Work in connection with this contract has been planned to keep at a minimum any inconvenience to motorists. Traffic will be detoured to the service road between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3:30 pm during weekdays. The roadway will be fully opened to traffic at all other hours during the week and all day on Saturday, Sunday, and holidays.

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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, JULY 7, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Park Department in cooperation with the Rodgers and Hammerstein Foundation will present a concert by the City Symphony Orchestra of New York, Franz Bibo, Conductor, on Saturday, July 9, 1960, at 8:30 p.m., at the Mall in Central Park. This is the thirty-fourth season that these concerts have been presented.

PROGRAM

"LA TRAVIATA"

Opera in Three Acts (Concert Form)

Lyrics by Francesco Maria Piave

Music by

GIUSEPPE VERDI

New English Version by RUTH and THOMAS MARTIN (First New York Performance)

THE CAST

Violetta Valery	*****	Mary Paisley, Soprano
Flora Bervoix	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Kathryn Dana, Soprano
Annina	••••••	Philippa Leeds, Mezzo-Soprano
Alfredo Germont		Arne Markussen, Tenor
Giorgio Germont	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Charles Kellys, Baritone

THE CAST (cont'd)

Gastone Robert Schmorr, Tenor

Barone Douphol)
Dr. Grenvil) John Sadler, Bass

Marchese d'Obigny William McCarthy, Bass

Next Concert by the City Symphony Orchestra of New York: Saturday, July 16, 1960, at 8:30 p.m.

Program: "Die Fledermaus" - Operetta by Johann Strauss

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SUNDAY, JULY 3, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the second concert of the season by the Naumburg Symphony Orchestra will be given on the Mall in Central Park on Monday Evening, July 4th, at 8:30 p.m. Robert Irving will conduct and Nancy Cirillo, violinist, will appear as a guest soloist. The program will be:

PROGRAM

"THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER"

		Nancy Cirillo	
3.	Violin Concerto		Glazounov
2.	Adagio, for Strings	******	Barber
1.	Overture - "Oberon"		von Weber

INTERMISSION

4.	Four Scottish Dances	******	Arnold
5.	Slavonic Rhapsody, in	A-flat	Dvorak
6.	Enchanted Lake	*****	Liadow
7.	American Salute	*******	Gould

"AMERICA"





THURSDAY, JUNE 30, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces the completion of construction and opening of a playground located between Bartlett and Whipple Streets, west of Throop Avenue, adjacent to P.S. 168, in the Borough of Brooklyn.

This new 0.918 acre playground provides facilities for all age groups and is divided into several sections. The westerly section contains two handball courts, and the area adjacent provides a baseball field, three practice basketball areas, a basketball court, an open play area, a quiet games area containing games tables and benches, and a comfort station.

The easterly section contains a play area for pre-school children which provides slides, jungle gym, see-saws, a shower basin, and sand pit.

This is a jointly operated playground and the area for older children will be operated by the Board of Education when school is in session and by the Department of Parks at all other times.

With the addition of this facility there are now 789 playgrounds in the park system.





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TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 1960

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks of the City of New York, announces the following promotions in the department staff:

"John A. Mulcahy has been designated Executive Officer, succeeding Stuart Constable who has retired to accept a position as Vice President of the World's Fair Corporation with former Commissioner Moses, now President of the Corporation. Mr. Mulcahy was Assistant Executive Officer and Chief Engineer having risen through the various Civil Service ranks as a career officer.

"alexander Wirin has been appointed to the position of Assistant Executive Officer. He has been Senior Administrator responsible for concessions, audit and control, personnel, permits and revenue producing, and accounting. Mr. Wirin has been in the department for a period of 30 years.

"Paul Dombroski has been appointed to the position of Chief Engineer of the department. He has been promoted from the position of Deputy Chief Engineer and is responsible for the entire Division of Design and Engineering.

"Samuel M. White will continue his fine work as Director of Maintenance and Operation.

"Charles Starke will continue as Director of Recreation and Lewis N. Anderson will continue to represent the department as liaison officer with the various museums and institutions retaining his title as Senior Landscape Architect."

Mr. Morris said: "It is a pleasure and a source of satisfaction and inspiration to find an experienced staff of loyal people who have won their way from promotion to promotion through competitive Civil Service examinations. I look forward to a happy relationship with all of them including the Borough Directors, their staffs and almost 6,000 employees in the department who have taken pride in maintaining the appearance and beauty of parks throughout the five boroughs."





IMMEDIATELY

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces the conclusion of a successful series of Tennis Clinics for the youth of New York City.

This free, mass-instruction program was made possible by the Eastern Tennis Patrons, Inc., a non-profit organization whose purpose is to stimulate interest and develop the basic skills of the game among the boys and girls of New York City.

Participating along with the E.T.P. and the Park Department were five major sporting goods companies and World Tennis magazine. Through their generosity the services of trained tennis coaches, rackets, balls and instructional literature were made available to every youngster who registered.

A total of 963 boys and girls, from 9 to 17 years of age, registered in the five designated tennis court locations in Manhattan, Brooklyn, the Bronx and Queens, selected by the Park Department as the sities for the clinics. Interest remained high during the entire 6-week period of this series, the first of its kind locally, with the average daily attendance well over one hundred.

Some of the country's outstanding stars in the tennis world donated their services in the interest of creating a love for the game of tennis. Exhibitions and instructional tips by Althea Gibson,

Billy Talbert, Darlene Hard, Karol Fageros and Doris Hart, and such top coaches as George Seewagen and Mercer Beasley, were the highlights of the drive.

The sponsors intend to organize the clinics again next year.

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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that a preview performance of the Marionette Theatre's presentation "Puppet Carnival" will be held on Saturday, June 25, 1960, at 2:00 p.m. at Pilgrim Hill at 72nd Street just west of Fifth Avenue in Central Park.

This hour long performance captures all the gaiety and excitement of a real live carnival with clowns, trained seal, magician, and old time carnival band.

There is no admission charge and the public is cordially invited to attend.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, reminds every adult fisherman that Saturday, June 25th, is the big day. Men and women anglers will be up at the crack of dawn to compete in New York's Rheingold salt water fishing rodeo. Nine local salt water fishing areas located in different parts of the city will vie for special prizes at each location for the first fish landed after the opening whistle announces the start of the competition at 7:30 a.m.

Additional fishing equipment will be awarded to lucky Isaac Walton's with the greatest number of fish and with the heaviest fish of the day. The contest closes at 1:00 p.m.

Local winners will be transported to Battery Park, Manhattan, with their catch, where the grand prizes will be distributed to the city-wide winners in front of newsreel and television cameras.

The Rheingold Brewers, who are co-sponsoring this contest, have arranged for the winners to receive fishing equipment and the top four fishermen of the metropolitan area will also be awarded watches.

There is still time to enter. Fishermen may obtain free entry blanks at any of the locations listed below and present them to the Contest Director before 7:30 a.m., Saturday, June 25th.

LOCATIONS:

BRONX:

Orchard Beach, South end of the Lagoon

BROOKLYN:

1.

Canarsie Pier, Foot of Rockaway Parkway Coney Island, Steeplechase Pier, West 16th St. Shore Parkway, Waterfront Promenade, bet. 3.

Fort Hamilton and Bay 8th St.

MANHATTAN:

1. Hudson River at 83rd St.

LUEENS:

1.

Little Neck Bay, 28th Ave., Bayside Cross Bay Blvd. Bridge, 1st Bridge South of 2.

Shore Parkway

Jacob Riis Park, North Side, East of Marine 3.

Park Bridge

RICHMOND:

1. Great Kills, Beach Fishing Bulkhead

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that entries are being accepted for the 2nd Annual Boys Baseball League at all Park Department and Police Athletic League playgrounds and centers.

as in 1959, the League will operate for Juniors 12 and 13, Intermediates 14 and 15, and Seniors 16 and 17 years of age. It is expected that the enthusiastic response of 200 teams in 1959 will be exceeded for the current tournament.

Round-robin play will begin about July 5th with Borough Championships decided about August 15th. Handsome carry-all bags will be awarded to every member of winning teams and runners-up in each borough. Borough champs will engage in Inter-borough play about August 10th, winding up with a big City-Final Triple-Header.

All teams meeting the age requirements are eligible to compete. There is meeting fee.





WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 1960

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Entries are being accepted for a series of swimming meets, six for boys and six for girls, which will be conducted by the Department of Parks according to the following schedule:

BOYS - (18 Years and under)

Wed., July 6 - 5:30 p.m. - Crotona Pool, E. 173rd St. & Fulton Ave., Bronx

Fri., July 8 - " - Highbridge Pool, Amsterdam Ave. & W. 173rd St., Manhattan

Mon., July 11 - " - Astoria Pool, 19th St., opp. 23rd Drive, Queens

Wed., July 13 - " - Tompkinsville Pool, Victory Blvd. & Bay St., Richmond

Fri., July 15 - " " - McCarren Pool, Driggs Ave. & Lorimer St., Brooklyn

GIRIS - (16 Years and under)

Tues., July 5 - 5:30 p.m. - Astoria Pool, 19th St., opp. 23rd Drive, Queens

Thurs., July 7 - " " - Tompkinsville Pool, Victory Blvd. & Bay St., Richmond

Tues., July 12 - " " - Sunset Pool, 42nd St. & 7th ave., Brooklyn

Tues., July 19 - " - Crotona Pool, E. 173rd St. & Fulton Ave., Bronx

Thurs., July 21 - " " - Highbridge Pool, Amsterdam ave. & W. 173rd St., Manhattan

Entrants in above events must compete in the borough in which they live.

Included in the programs are events for swimmers registered with the Metropolitan Association, A.A.U.

Prizes will be awarded to swimmers placing first, second, and third in each event. Swimmers placing first and second in each park playground event will be eligible to compete in the city championships to be held July 18th for boys at Sunset Pool, Brooklyn, and August 6th for girls at Astoria Pool, Queens.

Entry blanks may be secured and filed at borough offices and swimming pools under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks.

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IMMEDIATELY

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the story-telling hour at the Hans Christian Andersen Memorial on Saturday, June 18th at 11:00 a.m., will feature Alida Vazquez whose services have been arranged by the Baroness Alma Von Dahlerup of the Danish Women's Association.

Alida Vazquez, who will conduct the story-telling hour is a graduate of the National Conservatory in Mexico City and has studied with Claudio Arrau. She holds a teaching certificate from the Diller-Quaile Music School and is now a member of the faculty there. Miss Vazquez attended both the Music Therapy and Dance Therapy Workshops at Turtle Bay Music School and now teaches there. She is also a Dance Therapist at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, as well as a teacher at Calhoun Lower School.

A John Hay Whitney Opportunity Fellowship was recently awarded Miss Vazquez for one year to conduct studies in Dance Therapy.

The Hans Christian Andersen Memorial is located at the west side of Conservatory Lake at 72nd Street in Central Park.





SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 1960

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Outdoor dancing to the music of popular dance orchestras will begin at 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 23rd at Wollman in Central Park.

This is the 19th annual series of Name Band Dances sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company and conducted by the Department of Parks in major parks. The series will terminate on Thursday, September 8.

Dances will be held as follows:

MANHATTAN:

Wollman Memorial, Central Park, opposite 64th St. &

Fifth Ave.

Thursdays, June 23 to September 8

Colonial Park. 146th St. & Bradhurst Ave.

Mondays, July 11, July 18, August 8, August 22,

August 29

BROOKLYN:

Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th St. & Prospect Park W.

Fridays, June 24 to September 2

BRONX:

Poe Park, 192nd St. & Grand Concourse

Wednesdays, June 29 to September 7

QUEENS: .

Victory Field, Woodhaven Blvd. & Myrtle Ave., Glendale

Tuesdays, June 28, July 12, July 26, August 9,

August 23, September 6

Travers Park, 34th Ave. & 77th St., Jackson Heights

Tuesdays, July 5, July 19, August 2, August 16,

August 30

RICHMOND:

Cromwell Recreation Center, Murray Hulbert Ave. &

Hannah St., Tompkinsville

Wednesdays, July 13, July 27, August 10, August 24

All dances begin at 8:30 p.m. Admission is free.





THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 1960

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CHILDREN'S ZOO IN CENTRAL PARK

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces a gift to the children of New York from former Governor Herbert H. Lehman and Mrs. Lehman, will make possible the construction of a modern and attractive Children's Zoo, adjacent to the existing zoo in Central Park, Manhattan. The Children's Zoo will be located in the presently unused area, bounded by Fifth avenue and the 65th Street and 66th Street Transverse Roads. The gift of \$500,000 is being made by Governor and Mrs. Lehman in grateful celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary, which occurred in late April.

"The Central Park Zoo has been, for many years, one of New York's greatest attractions. It has lacked one appealing feature, however, that is to be found in some other important zoos in this country and in Canada: a Children's Zoo. Although small children are awed and thrilled by camels, elephants, and tigers, they enjoy even more to see and touch, whenever possible, the gentler, smaller animals and birds they know about from their nursery rhymes and story books, "Mr. Morris said. "It has been a subject of discussion between Governor and Mrs. Lehman and Commissioner Moses for some time. It is

characteristic of their thoughtfulness and interest in the happiness and wonder of little children that they should have decided to make this most generous and public-spirited contribution. Preliminary sketches promise that the Lehman Zoo will be a beautiful and welcome addition to Central Park for adults as well as children.

Fortunately, there is an ideal location for such a development, just a few feet north of the existing zoo buildings and approached by a wide walk connecting it with the northern section of Central Park. The one-acre site is bounded on the west by this park walk and on the other three sides by massive stone-retaining walls, giving it enclosure, seclusion and protection from the traffic noises of Fifth Avenue and the transverse roads. The area has, for several years, been fenced off from public use. The wonderful Children's Zoo in Bronx Park has afforded pleasure to countless thousands. The Lehman Zoo will be considerably more spacious and existing trees will provide cooling shade in the summer months.

Architects for the project are Aymar Embury II and Edward C. Embury, designers of the Wollman Memorial Skating Rink in Central Park. Mr. Aymar Embury was also consulting architect for the Central Park Zoo and many other outstanding park facilities. Preliminary drawings have not been completed, but it is planned that visitors will enter the area through an ornamental gateway. An inclined walk between lawns and trees will lead from the gates to the zoo entrance, at the center of a long, low glass-walled structure which will serve as a shelter and auxiliary exhibit building in the summer and form

the principal exhibit area in the cold-weather months. Small-scale and fanciful buildings, surrounding a small, shallow pond, will form the homes and settings for such animals and birds as rabbits, ducks, geese, lambs, doves, kittens, little pigs, a talking crow, and others with special appeal and educational value to little children. An unobtrusive maintenance building will provide facilities for the preparation of animal food, office and locker space for the staff, and a resting place where birds and animals can recuperate from a strenuous afternoon's work of entertaining young humans.

The Department of Parks is grateful to Governor and Mrs. Lehman for the notable addition they are making to the year-round recreational program of Central Park. In recent years, a number of such gifts by public-spirited citizens have enriched the lives of New Yorkers and visitors to the City. The Lehman Zoo for Children will be an outstanding feature of the park system of New York, and will join an impressive list of recreational facilities, such as the Wollman Skating Rink, the Loeb and Kerbs Boat Houses, the Chess and Checker House, the Levy and Osborne Playgrounds, the Altman Pony Track, and the Friedsam Carousel, all of them gifts by generous individuals and foundations to Central Park.

The opening to the public of the Lehman Zoo for Children is scheduled for May, 1961.





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THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 1960.

Entry blanks are now available for the Salt Water Fishing Rodeo conducted by the Department of Parks and sponsored by the Rheingold Brewery, to be held on Saturday, June 25 from 7.30 A.M. to 1 P.M., rain or shine. This contest is open to men and women 17 years and over.

The following fishing areas have been selected for the competitors in this event.

Locations: BRONX-----1. Orchard Beach-South end of the Lagoon

- BROOKLYN----1. Canarsie Pier-Foot of Rockaway Parkway
 - 2. Coney Island-Steeplechase Pier, West 16th Street.
 - 3. Shore Parkway-Waterfront Promenade, bet. Fort Hamilton & Bay 8th St.

MaNHATTAN---1. Hudson River at 83rd St.

- QUEENS-----1. Little Neck Bay-28th Ave., Bayside
 - 2. Cross Bay Blvd. Bridge-1st Bridge South of Shore Parkway.
 - 3. Jacob Riis Park-North Side, East of Marine Park Bridge.

RICHMOND----1. Great Kills-Beach Fishing Bulkhead.

Prizes will be awarded to the contestants landing the first fish, the one landing the most fish, and the one catching the heaviest fish at each location. A grand prize will be awarded for the heaviest single fish caught, and a consolation prize will be given for the second, third, fourth and fifth heaviest single fish caught, for the day.

Judging for the grand prize will take place at Battery Park, Manhattan at 3 P.M.





TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces that the Fourth Annual Edward A. and Alice H. Kerbs Memorial Sail Boat Regatta and Design Competition will be held at the Conservatory Lake in Central Park on Saturday, June 18, 1960, at 2:00 p.m.

This annual event is made possible through a contribution by Mrs. Jeanne E. Kerbs whose generosity also provided funds for the construction of the new Model Yacht Boathouse at the Conservatory Lake in Central Park as a memorial to her parents.

The Regatta Events will be as follows:

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

The Design Competitions are divided into three classes:

Junior - Boys and girls - 13 years of age and under

Intermediate - Boys and girls - 14 to 17 years of age

Senior - Open to adults 18 years of age and over

Prizes to be awarded to contestants finishing 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in each racing and designing class.

Conservatory Lake is located on the east side of Central Park and may be reached through the Fifth Avenue entrance at 72nd St.

The public is cordially invited to attend.





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SUNDAY, JUNE 12. 1960.

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the 26th Annual Barber Shop Quartet Contest finals conducted by the Park Department will be held on Tuesday evening, June 14, 1960 at the Mall

in Central Park, at 8:30 P.M.

The New York City competing quartets were selected in elimination contests held in the five boroughs. In addition quartets from West-chester and Nassau Counties will round out the competition to determine the Metropolitan Championship. First, second and third place winners will receive awards.

The finalists singing barber shop harmony will bring back the turn of the century, when the art of Barber Shop singing made its greatest contribution to the social life of the community.

The following rules will govern this contest: 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. Costumes appropros to the "gay nineties" period must be worn by the finalists.

Guest Stars from stage, radio and television include Johnny
Desmond, Host of N.B.C. - T.V'S color cast "Music on Ice", Tina
Robin, Sparkling T.V. and Broadway Songtress, The Castle Sisters Trio,
Roulette Recording Artists, and Jack Wakefield, noted comedian.

The Department of Sanitation band will be on hand again to entertain and assist in the community sing for a pleasant evening under the stars.





SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 1960.

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The Department of Parks announces that an agreement has been signed with Aquarama Inc., for the presentation of vaudeville and water shows at the Flushing Meadow Park Amphitheatre in Queens.

To be presented nightly at 8.30 P.M. from June 30th through September 5th, admission prices range from 95¢ to \$2.50.

The Amphitheatre may be reached by car on the Grand Central Parkway or on the Long Island Expressway, or the I.R.T. subway to Main Street and the Flushing Ridgewood bus, or the Independent subway GG train to Grand Street and Flushing Ridgewood Bus.

Parking space is available free of charge.



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The brochure "Dance-Music-Drama" which lists events to be held in the park system during the summer of 1960, is now available for distribution.

Copies may be obtained by applying in person or by sending a 9" x 12" self addressed 3¢ stamped envelope to any of the Department of Parks offices listed below:-

Manhattan - Arsenal Building 64th Street and 5th Ave. New York 21, N.Y. Regent 4-1000

Brooklyn - Litchfield Mansion, Prospect Park West and 5th Street Prospect Park Brooklyn 15, N.Y. South 8-2300

Bronx - Administration Building, Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue
Bronx Park, Bronx 62, N.Y.
Talmadge 8-3200

Queens - The Overlook, Union Turnpike and Park Lane Forest Park Kew Gardens 15, N.Y. Liggett 4-4400

Richmond - Clove Lakes Park 1150 Clove Road West New Brighton, Richmond 1, N.Y. Gibralter 2-7640

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FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 1960.

The Department of Parks announces that the repaving of the roadway on the East Drive between Park Circle and St. Paul's Place Prospect Park in the Borough of Brooklyn will start on Tuesday June 14, 1960 at 10 A.M.

Work in connection with this contract has been planned to keep at a minimum any inconvenience to motorists. Two lanes of the four lane roadway will be paved in the first stage of work and when this is completed the other two lanes will be repaved, allowing two lanes available for use at all times for traffic.





THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 1960.

The Department of Parks announces that the city-wide finals of the 15th Annual Marble Shooting Contest will be held at Heckscher Playground in Central Park on Saturday, June 11, 1960 at 11 A.M.

The following winners of elimination contests which were held in the five boroughs will vie for the city championship title:

MANHATTAN 1. Reuben Cornier 2. Sanbury Burke 3. Thomas Maharias 4. Joseph Cornier	AGE 13 14 10 11	PLAYGROUND Roosevelt Park 140th St. Lenox Ave. Highbridge Plgd. Roosevelt Park
BRONX 1. Pablo Rivera 2. Allan Passasaro 3. Mike Sheehan 4. Harry McAllister	13 13 11 12	Castle Hill Houses Crotona Park Plgd. Nelson Ave. Plgd. Nelson Ave. Plgd.
BROOKLYN 1. Edward Cruz 2. Curtis Cooper 3. Herman White 4. Robert Mitchell	13 11 14 13	Red Hook Plgd. St. John's Plgd. Marcy Houses St. John's Plgd.
QUEENS 1. Allen Spencer 2. Terry Daniels 3. Leroy Warey 4. Brazley Ineram	13 13 12 10	Liberty Plgd. 165th'3t. Plgd. Liberty Plgd. 165th St. Plgd.
RICHMOND 1. Joseph Tuite 2. Richard Miuccio 3. John Dobbyn 4. Joseph W. Brandefine	14 14 13 11	McDonald Plgd. So.Beach Houses Plgd. P.S. 8 Plgd. So.Beach Houses Plgd.





THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 1960.

The Department of Parks announces that roller skating at the Wollman Memorial Skating Rink will terminate at the close of business Sunday, June 12, 1960.

Starting June 14, this facility will be operated daily from 10 A.M. to 10 P.M., except on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, as a free recreational area.

On Thursday evenings starting June 23, free name band dances, sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company, will be held from 8:30 P.M. to 10:30 P.M.

On Tuesday evenings, starting June 28, free square dancing, sponsored by a civic minded organization, will be held from 8:30 P.M. to 10:30 P.M.

The Wollman Memorial Rink is located to the west of Central Park Zoo, opposite 64th Street, and may be reached by the B.M.T. subway to the Fifth Avenue station; the East Side I.R.T. subway to the 59th Street station or the Independent subway to Columbus Circle.

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The Department of Parks, announces The Second Junior Fife, Drum and Bugle Corps Competition will be held at Clove Lakes Park, Richmond, on Saturday June 4th at 1 P.M. (Rain Date June 11th).

A total of about 1000 Boys and Girls representing twenty corps throughout the metropolitan area will participate with their respective corps, in a colorful array of uniforms.

Attractive trophies will be presented to the outstanding corps competing in five classes. Awards will be presented to the outstanding Baton Twirler and the best Drum Major or Majorette.

The public is invited to attend. Clove Lakes Park may be reached from the St. George Ferry by taking the number 6 Victory Boulevard bus to Clove Road. By car, the area may be reached by following Victory Boulevard to Clove Road and turning right to the Park.



FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, JUNE 3. 1960

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The Department of Parks announces that entry blanks are available at all municipally operated golf courses for the Fifteenth Annual Championship Golf Tournament.

Open to all amateur players holding a current permit to play on municipal courses or who are certified by a golf course supervisor as a regular patron, entries must be filed with the supervisor at the course where contestants will play. Entries close on the following dates: Women, June 19; Juniors, July 5; Men, file three attested score cards by June 19th.

Local Course Championships, 18 holes of Medal Play will be held for Women and Men on Sunday, June 26th, and for Juniors (boys who have not reached their 18th birthday before July 1, 1960) on Tuesday, July 19th.

Six low gross scorers in Men's Division qualify for City-wide Team Championship. The 32 low gross scorers in Team Championship qualify for City-wide Match Play Championship. Winner and runner-up in Junior and Women's Course Championships qualify for the City-wide Championships in these divisions.

Prizes will be awarded to winner, second, and third in each

division. Selection of players to represent local courses in all 1960 invitation tournaments will be made from low gross scorers in the order of finish.

City-wide Team Championships, 36 holes of Medal Play will be held for the Men's Division on Sunday, July 10th, at La Tourette Golf Course.

The City-wide Championship for men will be held at Pelham Golf Course on the weekends, July 23rd through August 6th, and for women and juniors at Silver Lake Golf Course on Sunday, August 7th.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces that entry blanks for the Sixteenth Annual Soft Ball Tournament for boys 14 through 17 years of age, may be obtained from Park Department Playground Directors or from the Supervisor of Recreation in the Borough Offices listed below.

MANHATTAN - Arsenal Building 64th St. and Fifth Ave. New York 21, N. Y.

BROOKLYN - Litchfield Mansion Prospect Park W. & 5th St. Brooklyn 15, N. Y.

BRONX - Administration Bldg.
Bronx Park E. & Birchall Ave.
Bronx 62, N. Y.

QUEENS - The Overlook
Forest Park, Kew Gardens
Queens 15, N. Y.

RICHMOND - Clove Lakes Field House Clove Rd. & Victory Blvd. Staten Island 1, N. Y.

The schedule for the tournament is as follows:

Playground Eliminations - June 20 to July 3

District Eliminations - July 5 to July 24

Borough Eliminations - July 25 to August 7

City-wide Championship Contest - August 8 to August 21

Prizes will be awarded to District, Borough, and City-wide for 1st and 2nd place. Official Rules of Soft Ball approved by the Joint Rules Committee will govern all games.





WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces that the sixth annual magic show by the Future American Magical Entertainers will be given on the Mall in Central Park on Sunday, June 5, 1960, at 2:00 p.m.

This magic show is given in the memory of Gordon Beck, a pioneer member and past president of this group of teenage magicians, who died of leukemia at the age of 19 years.

The program will include acts by members of F.A.M.E., all of whom have been perfecting their magic skills under the direction of a Park Department recreation leader. A feature of the program will be a guest appearance by a professional magician.

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





TUESDAY, MAY 31, 1960

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The Department of Parks will conduct preliminary competitions for the 26th Annual Barber Shop Quartet Contest in each of the five boroughs beginning June 6th.

Amateur male quartets will compete for the honors of representing their borough at the finals to be held at the Mall in Central Park on Tuesday, June 14th. Leading quartets representing New Jersey, Westchester, and Nassau will be invited to compete in the finals.

The borough competitions, all beginning at 8:30 p.m., will be held as follows:

BOROUGH & DATE	LOCATION	(In the event of rain) INDOOR LOCATION
MANHATTAN Mon., June 6	Mall, Central Park, 72 St. & Center Drive	Wollman Memorial Skate House, opp. 64 St. & 5th Ave.
BROOKLYN Tues., June 7	Brooklyn War Memorial, Cadman Plaza, Fulton & Orange Sts.	Same
RICHMOND Wed., June 8	Clove Lakes Park, Clove Rd. & Victory Blvd.	Cromwell Center, Murray Hulbert Ave. & Hannah St., Tompk'vl.
BRONX Thurs., June 9	Mullaly Recreation Cent. Jerome Ave. & E.164 St.	SAME
QUEENS Fri., June 10	Music Grove, Forest Park Main Dr., w/o Woodhaven Blvd.	Lost Battalion Hall, Elmhurst, 93-29 Queens Blvd. & 62nd Ave.

The quartets will sing songs of the American ballad or barber shop variety, which were popular at the turn of the century.

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

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FRIDAY, MAY 27, 1960

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During June - National Recreation Month - special days featuring recreational activities for the entire family, will be scheduled in New York City under the auspices of the Robert Moses - Police Athletic League Fund.

These special days have been designated as "NEW YORK CITY'S FAMILY FUN FESTIVALS" and they will be conducted by the Department of Parks and the Police Athletic League at 110 locations throughout the City on either June 11th or June 12th. Each location will select the day best suited to the community.

Entertainment and stunts or competitions in which people of all ages may participate, will be planned for each festival by community committees working in conjunction with the recreation staffs of both agencies.

Individual plaques will be awarded to those placing first and second in each competitive event. To encourage parents to participate with their children, special prizes will be awarded to the family acquiring the most points in the day's activities at each festival location. Points will be awarded on the following basis:

One point awarded to each family that registers at least one parent and one child.

One point awarded if mother or father serves on a committee.
One point for each event entered by a member of the family unit.

(Only one point regardless of the number of individuals entered from a family.)
Three points awarded to the winner of an event.
Two points awarded for placing second in an event.
One point awarded for placing third in an event.

Children unaccompanied by a parent will be eligible to compete in the events but their point scores will not be considered for the Family Award.

Members of all families living in New York City are invited to participate. Contestants and those desiring to serve on festival committees may register at the location nearest their home or at their neighborhood P.A.L. or Park Department center or playground.

The Family Fun Festivals will be conducted at 95 Park
Department and 15 P.A.L. locations. Many of the P.A.L. festivals
will be held in their full-time centers.

The purpose of these festivals is to stress the benefits to be derived from outdoor activity and to emphasize the pleasures of family recreation. Competitive events will be selected on the basis of fun and novelty rather than athletic prowess. Family groups of all ages will have equal opportunities in all the activities.





FRIDAY, MAY 27, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces that exhibition matches will be held on Monday, May 30, 1960, at 1:30 p.m. at the newly constructed "Three-Wall Handball Court" located at Crotona Avenue and East 173rd Street in Crotona Park in the Bronx.

Competition in the exhibitions will be as follows:

DOUBLES

THE OBERT BROTHERS (OSCAR & RUBY) VS VIC HERSHKOWITZ & MARTY
DECATUR

Present National A.A.U. One-Wall Doubles Champions; also U.S.H.A. National Three-wall Champions.

Vic is the holder of 24 National titles and he is one of the great players of all times. Marty Decatur is the present National Jr. A.A.U. Four-wall Champion.

SINGLES

CARL OBERT

MARTY DECATUR

Carl Obert is the present Onewall National A.A.U. Champion. Marty Decatur is one of the most promising players in New York City.

This court is the fourth of its kind in the United States. Others are located in Central Park, Manhattan; Lincoln Terrace Park, Brooklyn; and Forest Park, Queens. These three-wall handball courts are one of the many special athletic facilities available to the public in New York City's parks and playgrounds.





FRIDAY, MAY 27. 1960

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The 3rd Annual Amateur Photographic Contest sponsored by the Department of Parks, which is open to amateur photographers of all ages, will start on June 1, 1960.

CLASS 1 - CHILDREN GROUP A - Black and white photographs

CLASS 2 - YOUTH GROUP B - Black and white photographs

GROUP C - Color photographs

CLASS 3 - ADULTS GROUP D - Black and white photographs

GROUP E - Color photographs

Photographs submitted must have been taken between June 1st and September 6, 1960, at parks, playgrounds, beaches, pools, golf courses, tennis courts, or parkways under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks, New York City.

Photographs, with or without borders, must be 4" x 5" or smaller, mounted on stiff, white paper, with contestant's name, address, class and group, and location where photo was taken clearly printed on the reverse side. Slides are not eligible. Entries are limited to 12 for each contestant.

A panel of top newspaper photographers will be invited to

select the winning entries and judging will be based on originality, subject matter, and picture composition.

Prizes will be presented to the contestants in each group who submitted the best pictures. No competitor will be eligible for more than one prize.

Entry blanks may be secured and photographs submitted to the Recreation Leader at any park playground or mailed to the Supervisor of Recreation at the following borough offices:

MANHATTAN: Arsenal Building in Central Park

64th Street & Fifth Ave., New York 21, N. Y.

BROOKLYN: Litchfield Mansion in Prospect Park

Prospect Park W. & 5th St., Brooklyn 15, N. Y.

BRONX: Administration Building in Bronx Park

Bronx Park E. & Birchall Ave., Bronx 62, N. Y.

QUEENS: "The Overlook" in Forest Park

Park Lane & Union Turnpike, Kew Gardens, 15, N. Y.

RICHMOND: Clove Lakes Park Field House

Clove Road & Victory Blvd., Staten Island 1, N. Y.





MONDAY, MAY 23, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces the opening of a playground located south of Schley Avenue and west of Balcom Avenue in Ferry Point Park in the Bronx.

This new marginal playground is the first completed development in Ferry Point Park, and provides facilities for all age groups.

It contains a softball diamond and bleachers, basketball courts, handball courts, shuffleboard courts, game tables, and a playground for small fry which provides a jungle gym, see-saws, slides, and a shower basin.

With the addition of this playground there are now 784 in the park system.

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FRIDAY, MAY 20, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces that the first children's story-telling hour for the 1960 season at the Hans Christian Andersen Memorial will be held on Saturday, May 21, 1960, at 11:00 a.m.

Baroness Alma Von Dahlerup of the Danish American Women's Association, who in the past has provided professional story-tellers, has for this special occasion secured the services of Blanche Yurka, well-known stage, television, and motion picture actress who will read stories to the children.

The regular Saturday story-telling hour conducted by the Department of Parks, will start on May 28th, and the Wednesday sessions conducted by the New York Public Library will begin in July and continue until the end of the season. All sessions are scheduled for 11:00 a.m.

The Hans Christian Andersen statue, dedicated in September 1956, is located on the west bank of the Conservatory Lake at 74th Street in Central Park.





SUNDAY, MAY 22, 1960

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The Naumburg Symphony Orchestra will give the first concert of the season at the Mall in Central Park on Monday, May 30th, at 8:30 p.m. Emerson Buckley will conduct and Martina Arroyo, soprano, will be guest soloist.

The Naumburg concerts are given four times each season on three holiday evenings, Decoration Day, the Fourth of July, Labor Day, and on July 31st, when a special concert is given in memory of Elkan Naumburg, who donated the bandstand on the Mall to the City of New York. His sons, Messrs. Walter W. Naumburg and George W. Naumburg, continued his custom of contributing concerts of high quality for lovers of good music.

Mr. Walter W. Naumburg died on October 17, 1959, in his 92nd year, and in his will provided for the perpetuation of these concerts. Mr. George W. Naumburg will continue as President of the Naumburg Orchestral Concerts, Inc. The ideals of Elkan Naumburg, who fifty-five years ago saw the need of music for many, will be faithfully followed. The Committee entrusted with the planning of these concerts will seek to provide in this beautiful setting the best possible programs of classical symphonies, concerti, and vocal works, as well as works of contemporary composers in the serious and light fields.

PROGRAM

"THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER"

Air, from Suite No. 3 Bach (In memory of Walter W. Naumburg)							
1.	Overture - Fingal's Cave	Mendelssohn					
2.	Aria: "Hear Ye, Israel"	Mendelssohn					
	- MARTINA ARROYO -						
3.	Symphony No. 4 - "Italian"	Mendelssohn					
INTERMISSION							
4.	Sinfonietta Flamenca	Surinach					
5.	Arias: "O Patria Mia" from AIDA "Un bel di vedremo" from MADAME BUTTERFLY	Verdi Puccini					
	- MARTINA ARROYO -						
6.	Emperor Waltz	J. Strauss					
	"AMERICA"						





FRIDAY, MAY 20. 1960

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The Department of Parks announces that the Fourth Annual Sail Boat Regatta and Design Competition will be held at the Conservatory Lake in Central Park on Saturday. June 18, 1960, at 2:00 p.m.

This annual event is made possible through the contribution of Mrs. Jeanne E. Kerbs whose generosity also provided funds for the construction of the New Model Yacht boathouse at the Conservatory Lake in Central Park as a memorial to her parents.

The Regatta Events will be as follows:

Class B - 19" to 25" boats Class E - 41" to 50" boats

Class C - 26" to 32" boats Class F - Homebuilt boats to 30"

DESIGN COMPETITIONS

Junior - Boys and girls 13 years of age and under

Intermediate - Boys and girls 14 to 17 years of age

Senior - Open to adults 18 years and over

Prizes: To be awarded to contestants finishing 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in each racing and designing class.

Entry blanks are available in all Borough Offices and at the Arsenal, Central Park. Mailed requests for entry blanks must contain a stamped self-addressed envelope.





IMMEDIATELY

The Department of Parks announces the following changes in the schedule of concerts by the Armed Forces Bands listed in the press release dated May 10, 1960.

ADDITION:

Sunday, May 15, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m., Forest Park Queens, N. Y. Naval Base Band

CANCELLATION:

Monday, May 16, 12:30 - 1:30 p.m., Joyce Kilmer Park, Bronx N. Y. Naval Base Band

There are no changes in the other concerts.





MONDAY, MAY 16, 1960

The Department of Parks announces that the bathing and swimming season at the 17.96 miles of municipally operated beach will open Saturday, May 21st, and seventeen outdoor swimming pools will open officially on May 28, 1960.

From May 28th to June 19th, the pools will be opened for weekends and holidays only, and from June 25th, until the end of the season, they will be open daily with the following operating schedule: On weekdays, Monday through Friday 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, and all day on Saturdays, 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. Free instruction classes in swimming for patrons 15 years of age and over will be held on Saturday and Sunday mornings from 11:00 a.m. to noon. 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 and Manhattan Beach in Brooklyn; South Beach, Great Kills Park, and Wolfe's Pond Park on Staten Island will open for bathers on May 21st.

Bathhouse accommodations are available at Orchard Beach, Jacob Riis Park, Manhattan Beach, South Beach, Great Kills and will be open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. At South Beach and Manhattan Beach, bathhouse facilities may be used without charge and lockers may be rented for a fee of 25¢. At Orchard, Riis, and Great Kills beaches the locker rentals are 15¢ for children, 25¢ for adults.

The section of South Beach between Elm Tree Boulevard and Iona Street will be opened for use and will provide a parking area, picnic area, concession building, recreation area, and a promenade. There will be a 10¢ admission charge to this section of the beach for patrons over two years of age. However, a season pass may be purchased for \$1.00 per person.

Parking space, for which a fee is charged, is available at all beaches, and recreational area game courts are available free of charge at Jacob Riis Park, Orchard Beach, Rockaway, South Beach, Manhattan Beach, and Coney Island.

Beach chairs and umbrellas may be rented at a nominal charge at Orchard Beach, Jacob Riis, Rockaway, Great Kills, Coney Island, Manhattan Beach, and South Beach.

The seven parking fields at the Rockaways are located at Beach 32nd Street, Beach 53rd Street, Beach 59th Street, Beach 62nd Street, Beach 64th Street, Beach 68th Street, and Beach 69th Street for the convenience of the many visitors who will visit the beach during the coming summer. These parking fields will accommodate a total of approximately 2,000 cars.





FRIDAY, MAY 13, 1960

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QUEENS

Fri., June 10

Entry blanks are available for the 26th Annual Barber Shop Quartet Contest to be conducted by the Department of Parks at the Mall in Central Park on Tuesday evening, June 14th. Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Department of Parks borough offices.

The contest is open to amateur male quartets. 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:

BOROUGH & DATE	LOCATION	(In the event of rain) <u>INDOOR LOCATION</u>
MANHATTAN Mon., June 6	Mall, Central Park 72 St. & Center Drive	Wollman Memorial Skate House, opp. 64 St. & 5th Ave.
BROOKLYN Tues., June 7	Brooklyn War Memorial Cadman Plaza, Fulton & Orange Sts.	SAME
RICHMOND Wed., June 8	Clove Lakes Park, Clove Rd. & Victory Blvd.	Cromwell Center, Murray Hulbert Ave. & Hannah St., Tompk'vl.
BRONX Thurs., June 9	Mullaly Recreation Cent. Jerome Ave. & E. 164 St.	SAME

Lost Battalion Hall,

Blvd. & 62nd Ave.

Elmhurst, 93-29 Queens

Music Grove, Forest Park

Main Dr., w/o Woodhaven

Blvd.

The winning quartets will be eligible to compete in the finals at the Mall on June 14th. 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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FRIDAY, MAY 6, 1960

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The Department of Parks will conduct the 15th Annual Marble Shooting Contest for boys and girls 14 years of age and under at park playgrounds beginning Tuesday, May 17th. Youngsters who want to "knuckle down" and vie for the city championship title must compete in the playground eliminations which will be held as follows:

Manhattan Playgrounds 4:00 Tuesday, May 17 p.m. 11 Brooklyn Playgrounds Wednesday, May 18 н 91 Bronx Playgrounds Thursday, May 19 tf Queens Playgrounds Friday, May 20 łf Richmond Playgrounds Friday, May 20

Contestants desiring to participate may do so by applying at their playground on the day of the contest. Playground winners will be eligible to compete in district contests to be held May 23 to May 26. District winners will then compete in the borough championships to be held on Saturday, June 4, at 2:00 p.m., at the following locations:

Manhattan - Heckscher Playground, Central Park, 62nd St. & W. Drive
Brooklyn - Parade Grounds, Coney Island & Parkside Aves.
Bronx - Mullaly Playground, E. 164th St. & Jerome Ave.
Queens - Victory Field, Myrtle Ave. & Woodhaven Blvd., Glendale
Richmond - Silver Lake Park, Forest Ave., Clove Rd. & Victory Blvd.

City-wide championships will be held at Heckscher Playground in Central Park on Saturday, June 11, at 2:00 p.m.

In case of rain, all contests will be postponed until the next day.





THURSDAY, MAY 5, 1960

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A six week series of free tennis lessons for boys and girls, 9 through 17 years of age, will be conducted on public park courts in Manhattan, Brooklyn, Bronx, and Queens, beginning Monday, May 9th, and continuing through June 17th.

This mass instruction program is being made available to youngsters by the Eastern Tennis Patrons in cooperation with the Department of Parks. Also participating in the comprehensive program will be five sporting goods companies and World Tennis Magazine who are generously contributing the services of trained tennis coaches, rackets, balls, and instructional literature. The only equipment participants will need to bring is a pair of smooth-soled sneakers or tennis shoes. They will not be required to purchase the usual season tennis permit for play on public courts.

At 3:00 p.m. on opening day, May 9th, at the Central Park courts, 93rd Street and West Drive, a group of tennis stars, including Althea Gibson, Billy Talbert, Darlene Hard, Karol Fageros, Bobby Riggs, Dick Savitt, and veteran Davis Cup coach Mercer Beasley, will be on hand to participate in the clinic.

The Eastern Tennis Patrons, a non-profit organization headed by Alastair B. Martin, has initiated this program in order to introduce boys and girls to tennis and to teach them the basic skills which will enable them to play and enjoy the game during the coming summer months. The E.T.P. has found that putting youngsters on tennis courts is educating them in the healthful and wholesome use of their leisure time.

Each of the sporting goods companies and World Tennis will sponsor one week of the teaching program:

A: G. Spalding & Bros., Inc: - May 9 through May 13

Wilson Sporting Goods Co. - May 16 through May 20

The Dunlop Co. - May 23 through May 27

World Tennis Magazine - May 31 through June 3

The Cragin-Simplex Co. - June 6 through June 10

The Harry C. Lee Co. - June 13 through June 17

At the conclusion of the teaching program, tournaments for various age groups will be scheduled. The most promising boys and girls will be eligible to compete in these events. Prizes for the champions will be donated by the sponsors.

Beginning Monday, May 9th, all clinics will be conducted at 3:30 p.m. according to the following schedule:

Mondays - Central Park, 93rd St. and West Drive, Manhattan

Tuesdays - Lincoln Terrace, Buffalo and Rochester Aves., Bklyn.

Wednesdays - Mullaly Playground, Jerome Ave. and E. 164th St.,
Bronx

Thursdays - Alley Park, Grand Central Parkway and Winchester Boulevard, Queens

Fridays - East River Park, East River Drive at Houston St.,
Manhattan

In the event of rain, the clinic will be cancelled for that day.

N.B. Photographs may be taken at Central Park Courts at 3 p.m. on Monday, May 9th.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 1960

The Department of Parks announces that the national open paddle tennis championships being conducted at Carl Schurz Park, 84th Street and East End Avenue in Manhattan on Saturday, April 9, 1960, will include the following matches.

- 10 a.m. Bobby Riggs vs. Harold Kempler (Singles quarter-final)
- 11:30 a.m. Paul Cranis and Murray Geller vs. Richard Downing and Fearn Rivers (Doubles quarter-final)
- 11:30 a.m. Fred Barazani and Larry Strictler vs. Reuben Resnick and Joel Friedman (Doubles quarter-final)
- 1:00 p.m. Fred Barazani vs. Ed Feldman (Singles semi-final)
- 3:00 p.m. Murray Geller vs. Richard Downing (Singles quarter-final)

The tournament is being conducted by the United States
Paddle Tennis Association in cooperation with the New York City
Department of Parks. Admission is free.





FRIDAY, APRIL 8, 1960

Eggs as gaily colored as crocuses will herald spring on Saturday, April 16, 1960, at 2 p.m., when the 14th 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 for boys and girls from 5 through 13 years of age, is sponsored by Arnold Constable of Fifth Avenue. Many children have been competing annually since the first contest was held in 1947.

Youngsters may file their entries at Department of Parks playground and borough headquarters and at the contest booth in the Boys' and Girls' Department on the second floor of Arnold Constable, 40th Street and Fifth Avenue, Manhattan. There is no fee for filing. Entries close April 14th.

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

Group	I -	Boys	5,6,7	Years o	f age	-	20	Yard	course
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Prizes donated by arnold Constable will be awarded to the

winners in each group. For boys competing in Group I, there will be a bicycle for 1st place, a scooter for 2nd, and roller skates for 3rd. Girls in Group I will receive a doll carriage for 1st place, a large doll for 2nd, and roller skates for 3rd. In Groups II and III, boy and girl winners will be awarded merchandise certificates for \$25, \$20, and \$15 for first, second, and third places respectively.

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 1960

The Department of Parks announces that exhibition matches will be held on the newly constructed "Three-Wall Handball Court" at North Meadow Playground located north of the Transverse Road near 97th Street in Central Park on Sunday, April 10, 1960, at 1:30 p.m.

Competition in the exhibitions will be as follows:

DOUBLES

THE OBERT BROTHERS (OSCAR & RUBY) VS

Present National A.A.U. One-Wall and U.S.H.A. Singles and Doubles Champions; also U.S.H.A. National Three-Wall Champions.

VIC HERSHKOWITZ & MARTY DECATUR

Vic is the holder of 24 National titles and is one of the great players of all time.
Marty is the present Metropolitan Four-Wall Champion and also the Jr. National A.A.U. Four-Wall Champion.

SINGLES

CARL OBERT VS MARTY DECATUR
Carl is former Metropolitan A.A.U. Four-Wall and One-Wall Champion.

The public is cordially invited to attend - admission is free.

This new handball court is the fourth of this type of facility which is provided in the park system. The others are located at

Lincoln Terrace Park in Brooklyn; Forest Park, Queens; and Crotona Park in the Bronx. Construction is scheduled for another at South

Beach, Richmond, this year.

These new handball courts have had an enthusiastic reception by handball players and are one of the many special recreational facilities available to the public in the parks and playgrounds in New York City.



FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 1960

The Department of Parks announces the opening of its
458 Tennis Courts at various locations in the five boroughs on Saturday, April 9, 1960

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 50¢, and will be issued to children who will not have reached their fifteenth birthday by November 15, 1960. Proof of age must be presented with their 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 when application is submitted.





TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces that its 165 baseball, 489 softball, and 19 little league diamonds will be ready for play on Saturday, April 9, 1960.

The demand for many of these diamonds is so great that their use must be regulated by permit. Applications for permits may be secured from the Department of Parks offices in the borough in which the diamonds are located.

Permit Offices in the various boroughs will be open on Saturdays until noon through July 23, 1960.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 1960

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The fourth anniversary Open House Week program will be held at St. John's Recreation Center, Prospect Place, Troy and Schenectady Avenues, Brooklyn, starting Saturday, April 2, 1960, at 10 a.m.

The following features are included in the program.

Sat., April 2, 10 a.m. - Empire State Weight-lifting Champion-ships

Tues., April 5, 7:30 p.m. - Ladies' Activities Exhibition

Wed., April 6, 12 Noon - Senior Citizens Celebration

Wed., april 6, 4:30 p.m. - Mixed Fencing Matches

Fri., April 8, 7 p.m. - Water Show
Intercollegiate Water Polo - New York
Community College vs. Rensselaer Poly

Sat., April 9, 7:30 p.m. - St. John's All Stars Basketball Game and Awards Night

During the entire week, crafts and woodwork projects will be on exhibition in the Arts and Crafts Room and Woodwork Shop.

The public is cordially invited to attend. Admission is free.



FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 1960

The ninth anniversary Open House Week program will be held at St. Mary's Recreation Center from March 27, 1960, to April 2, 1960. The center is open daily, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., and Sunday 12 to 7 p.m. The program featured during the Open House Week is a culmination of the various activities presented throughout the year. During the week the public is invited to see the various activities in the center, such as, arts and crafts exhibits, gymnastics, weight lifting, group games, boxing exhibitions, and swimming activities. St. Mary's Center attempts to serve the needs of the community. The annual membership totals over 11,000 people ranging from five years to retired adults. All age groups will participate in the Open House Week program. On Sunday March 27, 1960, a swimming meet for boys and girls will be held at 2 p.m. The final games for the intermediate and senior basketball tournaments will be held on March 30, 1960. Also, the checker tournament for the senior citizens' group will be completed during this week. The highlight of this anniversary week is St. Mary's Night, April 1, 1960, which will take place from 7:00 to 10:30 p.m. Featured on this night will be folk dancing, music, gymnastics, weight lifting, boxing, novelty acts, and the awarding of prizes. Awards will be presented for basketball, ping pong, senior checker players, gymnastics, boxing, swimming, and service to the center. On Saturday, April 2, 1960, at 7 p.m. the final event of this anniversary week will be an AAU gymnastics meet.





SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces the opening of the following six golf courses on Saturday morning, April 2, 1960, at 6:00 a.m. The club houses, with food facilities, golf shop, golf pro services, locker and shower accommodations, and other facilities will be opened at the same time for use by the public.

BRONX: Van Cortlandt Golf Course 242nd St. and Broadway, Van Cortlandt Park

> Pelham Golf Course Shore Road, n/o Hutchinson River Parkway, Pelham Bay Park

Split Rock Golf Course Shore Rd., n/o Hutchinson River Parkway, Pelham Bay Park

QUEENS: Kissena Golf Course North Hempstead Turnpike & Fresh Meadow Rd., Flushing

> Forest Park Golf Course Park Lane South & Forest Parkway, Forest Park

RICHMOND: LaTourette Golf Course Forest Hill Rd. & London Rd.

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

BROWX: Mosholu Golf Course Jerome Ave. & Holly's Lane at Woodlawn

BROOKLYN: Dyker Beach Golf Course 86th St. & Seventh Ave.

QUEENS: Clearview Golf Course 23rd Ave. & Willets Point Blvd., Bayside RICHMOND: Silver Lake Golf Course Silver Lake Park on Victory Blvd. & Park 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 per round from Monday through Friday will be \$1.50, and \$2.00 on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

The Permit Offices in all boroughs will be open on Saturdays till noon through July 30, 1960.

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MONDAY, MARCH 21, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located on Flushing Avenue between Bushwick Avenue and Humboldt Street, adjacent to Bushwick Houses in the Borough of Brooklyn.

Built with N.Y.C.H.A. funds and designed by the Department of Parks, this new 1.29 acre recreation area contains facilities for all age groups and is available to both residents of the housing project and the surrounding community.

The northerly section provides two basketball courts, practice basketball, and an open play area. The southerly section contains four handball courts, games table area, comfort station, slides, swings, see-saws, sand pit, jungle gym, and a shower basin.

With the addition of this new area there are now 779 playgrounds in the park system.





FRIDAY, MARCH 18, 1960

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The City-wide Championship games in the 15th Annual Department of Parks Basketball Tournament for boys and girls will be played Friday, March 25th at the 69th Regiment Armory, 26th Street and Lexington Ave., Manhattan, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

More than 19,000 boys and girls, 12 through 17 years of age, comprised the 1,841 teams that competed in the tournament. Play began last November and was conducted in three divisions - Girls, Junior Boys, and Senior Boys.

Competing in Friday's games are 6 teams who survived the playground, district, borough, and inter-borough eliminations. The games are scheduled as follows:

7 p.m. - Girls - Brooklyn, Our Lady of Victory, vs.

Queens, Lorets

8 p.m. - Junior Boys - Bronx, Hawks vs. Brooklyn, Junior

Magicians

9 p.m. - Senior Boys - Bronx, Jesters vs. Manhattan, Ambassadors

Members of championship teams in each division will be awarded wrist watches and runners-up will receive individual trophies. Team trophies will also be presented to the champions.

Free tickets of admission to the Armory for this triple crown event may be secured from Park Department borough offices and at the Arsenal in Central Park, 64th Street and Fifth Ave., Room 404, New York 21.



FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces the award of a contract for the erection of a memorial flagpole in the existing park at Main Street, 75th Avenue and Vleigh Place, Borough of Queens. The work includes an ornamental granite base for the flagpole which will be set in the center of a small plaza to be created at the apex, or northerly end, of the triangular park area.

The granite flagpole base will provide an appropriate setting for a bronze memorial tablet commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the birth on May 2, 1860, of the late Theodor Herzl, distinguished founder of the modern Zionist movement. His pioneering leadership led to the re-establishment of a homeland in Israel for the Jewish people and a haven for those seeking freedom from religious persecution. The tablet is being executed by the American sculptor, Joseph DiLorenzo, and will be the gift of the Kew Gardens mills Zionist District to the City of New York. It is ornamented by a bas-relief portrait of Herzl flanked by the seals of the United States and of Israel. The inscription reads: "Theodor Herzl; righter for Freedom; 'If you will it, it is no dream.'"

Because of Herzl's notable contribution to the cause of

freedom, a local law has been introduced in the City Council designating the unnamed park "Freedom Square." The dedication ceremonies for Freedom Square and the Herzl memorial are being planned for the first week in May.

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FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces that the National Championships of the United States Paddle Tennis Association will be held at Carl Schurz Park, at 84th Street and East End Avenue in Manhattan, beginning on April 2nd at 11:00 a.m. Play will be held on weekends only.

Entry blanks for Men's Singles and Doubles may be obtained from the Director of Recreation, Arsenal Building, 64th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y. There is no entry fee for this tournament.

Paul Cranis, current ranking U.S. Lawn Tennis Association star, will defend the singles crown he won at the 1959 Championship held at the Wollman Rink in Central Park. Cranis, and Murray Geller, former National Champion, are strong contenders to dethrone last year's top doubles combination of Harold Kempler and Edward Feldman.

Changes in the Paddle Tennis code which now make mandatory the "underhand service" and "l bounce" rule have awakened a new interest in this fast moving court game. To further explain the new game the Rules Committee has planned a series of demonstrations and rules interpretation clinics to which all interested players and spectators are invited. They will be held at Lincoln Terrace Park near East New York and Buffalo Aves., Brooklyn, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday until the date of the tournament, weather permitting.





WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, 1960

The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground on Randalls Avenue between Castle Hill and Olmstead Avenues, adjacent to Castle Hill Houses, in the Bronx.

Built with New York City Housing Authority funds, this new one acre playground provides facilities for all age groups.

Divided into several sections, the northerly section provides for two handball courts, a basketball court, and practice basketball. The southwesterly section contains a comfort station, flagpole, jungle gym, slide, swings, and a quiet games section. The southeastern section is an area for small fry with see-saws, slides, swings, sand pit, and shower basin. Benches are provided throughout the entire area.

With the addition of this facility there are now 778 playgrounds in the park system.





IMMEDIATELY

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The Department of Parks announces that the borough of the Bronx was the winner of the city-wide Indoor Track Meet held on Saturday, February 13th, at the 369th Regiment Armory, Manhattan. Flacing first, second, or third in all but two of the eight champion-ship events, the Bronx amassed a total of 32 points. The runner-up plaque was awarded to Brooklyn, with a total of 15 points. Queens, with 12 points, took third honors.

This was the eighth in the yearly series of athletic competitions conducted jointly with the Police Athletic League and being underwritten by the Robert Moses - P.A.L. Fund. The next scheduled activity is Roller Hockey for boys through 15 years of age. Entries are still being accepted for this tournament by both agencies.

The list of Park Department individual track winners follows:

GIRIS - 50 Yds 100 lbs.		
 Geraldine Hunter, Brooklyn Doris Collins, Bronx Sonia Gardner, Manhattan 	11 11 11	
GIRLS - 40 Yds 85 1bz.		
 Kathleen Nixon, Staten Island Marjorie Mobley, Brooklyn Barbara Meade, Bronx 	12 13 11	

GIRLS - 60 YDS 110 1bs.	AGI
 Barbara Spencer, Queens Mary Hunter, Brooklyn Holly Hewitson, Queens 	13 14 14
GIRIS - 110 Yds 120 1bs.	
1. Novella Fobbs, Bronx 2. Linda Williams, Queens 3. Eleanor Cawley, Bronx	13 11 12
BOYS - 50 Yds 85 lbs.	
 Alfonso Porpora, Bronx Edward Curry, Bronx Norman Glover, Brooklyn 	12 11 14
BOYS - 50 Yds 100 lbs.	
 Gino Fava, Queens Alfred Herping, Manhattan Clyde Odom, Brooklyn 	15 12 14
BOYS - 60 Yds 110 lbs.	
 Ronald Harris, Bronx Joseph Mulvey, Bronx Frederick Solomon, Brooklyn 	15 15 15
BOYS - 220 Yds 120 lbs.	
 George Harris, Manhattan Louis Ruiz, Queens Robert Morgan, Bronx 	15 16 16
POINT SCORE:	
Bronx - 32 Brooklyn - 15 Queens - 12 Manhattan - 8 Richmond - 5	



FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1960

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Starting Tuesday, February 23, 1960, applications will be accepted at the 5 Borough Offices of the Park Department for the following 1960 season permits: TENNIS \$5.00; RECREATION LOCKERS \$5.00; MODEL YACHT STORAGE \$2.00; LAWN BOWLING \$2.00; GOLF LOCKERS \$5.00. JUNIOR TENNIS 50¢ (limited to children who will not have reached their 15th birthday as of November 15th of the current year. Proof of age must be submitted. These Junior permits are restricted to hard surface courts and are subject to priority of \$5.00 Tennis permit holders.)

Because the demand usually exceeds the supply, applications for MEN'S lockers at Mosholu Golf Course will be accepted from season permit holders at any Park Department Borough Office from February 23, 1960, to March 10, 1960. If necessary a public drawing will be held at 10 a.m., March 18, 1960, at the administration Building, Bronx Park East and Birchall ave., Bronx Park, to determine the successful applicants.

GOLF Permits \$15.00, now on sale, are valid on any municipal course that is open for play. GOLF and TENNIS permits require a face photograph, photomaton, or passport size, for their issuance, and as a convenience for applicants for these permits, a photomaton has been installed in the Permit Office, ..rsenal, Central Park.

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

Manhattan: Arsenal, 64th Street & 5th Avenue, New York 21, N.Y.

Brooklyn: Litchfield Mansion, Prospect Park W. & 5th St., Bklyn.

Bronx: Bronx Park East & Birchall Avenue, Bronx 62, N. Y.

Queens: The Overlook, Union Turnpike & Park Lane, Kew Gardens
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Richmond: Clove Lakes Park, 1150 Clove Rd., West New Brighton,
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The permit offices in all boroughs will be open on Saturdays till noon, starting March 26, 1960, through July 30, 1960.

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FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1960

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The Department of Parks and the Police Athletic League announce that entry blanks are now available for the roller Hockey Tournament, 8th in the year-round series made possible by an anonymous donor. Known as the Robert Moses - P. .. L. Fund program, the \$50,000 donation has enabled both agencies to enrich their activity program.

Roller Hockey, a popular teenage off-shoot of Ice Hockey, is a rugged, body building competitive sport with a great deal of spectator interest. Twelve play-off locations have been designated throughout the five boroughs. They are --

Brooklyn: Ft. Hamilton Parkway & 52nd St. Playground

E. New York Vocational High School Playground, atlantic and Fountain .. ves.

Shore Rd. & 79th St. Playground

St. John's Playground, Prospect Pl. & Schenectady .ve.

Macombs Dam Park, E. 157th St. & Ruppert Place Bronx:

Marble Hill Playground, W. 230th St. & Kingsbridge .. ve.

Manhattan: Carl Schurz Playground, 84th St. & East End Ave.

Chelsea Playground, 28th St. & 9th Ave.

Grover Cleveland Playground, Stanhope St. & Grandview Queens:

Live., Ridgewood

P.S. 20 Playground. Bowne St. & Sanford Ave., Flushing P.S. 112 Playground, 28th St. & 36th Ave., Astoria P.S. 187 Playground, 61st Ave. & 251st St., Douglaston Von Dohlen Playground, Archer Ave. & 138th St., Jamaica

South Beach Houses Playground, Kramer & Parkinson .ves., Richmond: South Beach

Newly formed teams especially are invited to enter the competition. Equipment will be provided at each of the tournament sites.

To be eligible to compete, teams must be formed of boys who have not reached their 16th birthday by February 27th, the opening date for play. Squads may number up to 12 players on each roster. There is no entry fee. All boys are welcome.

Local winners and runners-up will receive valuable luggage awards, with handsome pen and pencil sets going to the successful first and second place borough teams. City finalists will be presented with engraved wrist watches.

Entry blanks may be secured at any local park playground, P.m.L. center, or by writing to the Supervisor of Recreation at any borough office.



FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59) 114

The Department of Parks announces that the Robert Moses - P.A.L. Fund Indoor Track and Field Championships will be decided on Saturday, February 13th, at the 369th Regiment Armory, 142nd Street and Fifth Ave., in Manhattan. Events will begin at 9:00 a.m.

lst, 2nd, and 3rd Place borough winners have qualified to compete for individual awards in Park Department events, and to aid in winning points for their respective boroughs in the city-wide inter-borough rivalry.

The Police Athletic League will conduct separate races to determine their individual and precinct champions.

Handsome medals will go to individual winners and plaques and team trophies will be awarded to precinct and borough winners.

The Borough Championships, which were the lead-up to next Saturday's finals, were conducted on four successive Saturdays in January. Five thousand boys and girls up to 18 years of age represented P.A.L. centers and Park Department playgrounds during these preliminary meets.





WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1960

1-1-1-60M-529072(59)

We have had several inquiries as to the status of the Flushing Meadow Municipal Stadium at Flushing Meadow Park and there has been considerable guessing about it. As of today these are the salient facts:

- 1. Preliminary plans by Praeger-Kavanagh for the Stadium have been approved by the Department of Parks. A sketch is attached. It will be U or horseshoe shaped, will accommodate 55,000 in permanent fixed and movable seats which can be arranged to accommodate a diamond baseball or rectangular football type of field as required.
- 2. Temporary seats for 5,000 will be provided in movable stands in the U or horseshoe opening.
- 3. The Stadium will be built to support a sectional metal roof as a protection from rain, snow, etc., if experience shows it is needed and if it can be financed later.
- 4. The open U or horseshoe can be filled in with permanent seats to accommodate an additional 25,000 later if needed, and financially practical.
- 5. Preliminary plans for the stadium are being coordinated with improved arterial highway routes and streets and with access arrangements for the World's Fair of 1964-1965. Other aspects of the relationship of the Stadium to the Fair are being studied.

- 6. The present estimated cost of the project is \$15,000,000. The amount needed for amortization, interest and repair to make the Stadium self-liquidating and enable us to use City Capital funds exempt from the debt limit is \$1,150,000. This is the sum we must be guaranteed annually for twenty years by the lessee who will operate the field, including parking. Continuance of provision for commuter parking at present rates must, however, be assured.
- 7. William Shea and his associates initiated this project and the work they have done indicates that they would be a most desirable lessee. In any event we require a reliable sponsor. We hope Mr. Shea and his group will establish the new baseball league for this most important single usage, that is baseball, but usage for other sports such as football, soccer, cricket, track, bicycle races, etc., must be provided.
- 8. In this context it must be understood that the stadium is more than an exclusive site for a new baseball diamond. It must be an integral part of the recreational system of the City serving a number of purposes and several varieties of sports for participants and spectators, that is it must be a multipurpose public facility.
- 9. We must have a decision by the Mayor and Board of Estimate soon so that final plans costing \$450,000 can be started.
- 10. A completion date of April 1962 is predicated on an early decision. The only possible basis for completion in time for the 1961 baseball season is a cost plus contract to a contractor who would begin building very soon as specifications were fed to him and not on usual basis of open competition and advertising of final

specifications. Because of the inevitable criticism and charges of favoritism, however unfounded, we do not recommend a cost plus contract. Even this might not produce the stadium on time for the 1961 season. Therefore the aim must be 1962.

Robert Moses Commissioner

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1960

The Department of Parks announces that exhibition matches will be held on the newly constructed "Three-Wall Handball Court" at North Meadow Playground located north of the Transverse Road near 97th Street in Central Park on Sunday, February 14, 1960, at 1:30 p.m. Competition in the exhibitions will be as follows:

DOUBLES

THE OBERT BROTHERS (OSCAR & RUBY) VS VIC HERSHKOWITZ & MARTY DECATUR

Present National A.A.U. One-Wall and U.S.H.A. Singles and Doubles Champions; also U.S.H.A. National Three-Wall Champions.

Vic is the holder of 24 National titles and is one of the great players of all time. Marty is the present Metropolitan Four-Wall Champion.

SINGLES

CARL OBERT VS MARTY DECLIUR

Carl is former Metropolitan A.A.U. Four-Wall and One-Wall Champion.

The public is cordially invited to attend - admission is free.

This new handball court is the fourth of this type of facility which is provided in the park system. The others are located at Lincoln Terrace Park in Brooklyn; Forest Park, Queens; and Crotona Park in the Bronx. Construction is scheduled for another at South Beach, Richmond, in the spring.

The first of its kind in the United States, these new handball courts are one of the many special recreational facilities available to the public in the parks and playgrounds in New York City. 2/5/60





WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of another successful sports activity in the Robert Roses - P.A.L. Fund year-round program with the playing of the Table Tennis city-wide champion-ships on Saturday, January 30th, at St. John's Recreation Center in Brooklyn.

Both winner and runner-up in each of the four divisions received handsome engraved wrist watches. Since the start of the tournament in early December over 5,900 boys and girls participated in local, district, and borough play-offs in Park Department and Police Athletic League playgrounds and centers.

The results are as follows:

JUNIOR BOYS DIVISION: (Ages 12, 13, and 14)

lst Place - Michael Silverberg, Brooklyn

2nd " - Gary Schecter, Manhattan

SENIOR BOYS DIVISION: (Ages 15, 16, and 17)

1st Place - Caesar Polichetti, Brooklyn

2nd " - Victor Affrunti, Port Richmond, Staten Island

JUNIOR GIRLS DIVISION: (Ages 12, 13, and 14)

1st Place - Sandra Marin, Manhattan 2nd " - Norma Faris, Manhattan

SENIOR GIRLS DIVISION: (Ages 15, 16, and 17)

lst Place - Jo Ann D'Angelo, W. Brighton, Richmond 2nd " - Marion Coleman, Brooklyn

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FOR RELEASE

IMMED LATELY

The Department of Parks announces that due to work in connection with the construction of the lower level of the George Washington Bridge, the following traffic changes will be in effect on the Henry Hudson Parkway between the hours of 11 p.m., Thursday, January 28th, and 6 a.m., Friday, January 29, 1960.

Southbound traffic will be detoured at Dyckman Street to Broadway, proceed south on Broadway and return to the parkway via West 177th Street.

Northbound traffic will not be affected.

Detour signs with directional information have been posted.

Should inclement weather prevent the work as scheduled,
it will be performed at the same hours on the next succeeding day
of favorable working weather.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 1960

Commissioner Moses released to the press today his biennial report on the work that has been accomplished by the Department of Parks in expanding, developing and rehabilitating the City's park system since its consolidation in 1934. The report is in the form of an illustrated brochure entitled "Twenty-Six Years of Progress," recording the Department's achievements, its current program, activities and problems, its plans for the future and the philosophy underlying its work.

The report reviews the various methods by which it has been possible to increase the City's park area from 14,827 acres in 1934 to 34,673 at the present time. The wide scope of the Park Department's activities and responsibilities is described in considerable detail by means of text, graphs, maps and photographs. The list of gifts which have been received from foundations and other private donors is an impressive demonstration of the way the Park Department has been able to attract generous contributions for its recreational program, as well as for the construction of needed park facilities which the City could not provide with the limited capital funds available.

The report points out the increase in park playgrounds from 119 in 1934 to the present figure of 777 which represents an increase of 52 during the last two years alone. The over-all increase in the Park Department's recreational facilities is estimated to be seven times that of 1934, while the Department's 1959 operating budget of \$30,761,614, in spite of increased costs and inflation, is little more than five times the 1934 budget of \$6,000,000.

ment's beaches now total 18 miles in length and served 65 1/2 million persons in 1959, as compared with one mile of Park Department beach which served five million bathers twenty-six years ago, the report warns of the danger to the existing beaches from marginal sewage pollution and the real possibility that bathing in some of the City's boundary waters will have to be stopped. In the meantime, New Yorkers are being deprived of a chance to enjoy swimming at beaches which could be developed and opened to bathers were it not for the pollution problem.

To emphasize and explain the seriousness of the marginal sewage problem and its solution, Commissioner Moses has taken the unusual step of including in his report a joint statement signed by himself, together with the Hon. Leona Baumgartner, M.D., Commissioner of Health, and the Hon. Frederick H. Zurmuhlen, Commissioner of Public Works. The statement gives the estimated cost of substantial elimination of marginal pollution from the City's recreational waters as about \$150,000,000 spent over a ten-year period and recommends increasing the sewer rent equal to 100 percent of the water bill as the most feasible way of meeting the cost of the program.

The joint statement goes on to say: "This should permit the development of nine miles of additional urgently needed beaches. It should also eliminate the now serious threat of pollution to

existing bathing beaches such as Orchard Beach in the Bronx and Coney Island in Brooklyn. If such a program is not established, bathing in some of our boundary waters will have to be stopped entirely and enormously expensive substitute facilities in the nature of swimming pools and enclosed lakes will have to be provided. The cost of such facilities in the Jamaica Bay area alone would certainly be in the neighborhood of half a billion dollars."

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces that the first Robert Moses - Police Athletic Fund Table Tennis Tournament has attracted a turn-out of 5,900 youngsters. Boys and girls from 12 to 17 years of age competed locally in 120 indoor park play centers and P....L. centers from December 12th to January 6th. District play-offs followed.

On Saturday, January 23rd at 10:30 a.m., borough champion-ship play will be held at the following locations:

Manhattan - North Meadow Playground, 97th St., Central Park Brooklyn - St. John's Center, Prospect Place & Schenectady Lve

Br nx - Mullaly Playground, Jerome Ave. & 165th St. Queens - Astoria Play Center, 19th St. & 23rd Drive

Richmond - Cromwell Pier, Murray Hulbert Ave. & Victory Blvd.

On Saturday, January 30th at 10:30 a.m., the borough winners will meet for the city-wide championships at the St. John's Center in Brooklyn.

Handsome wallets and practical prizes of luggage have been awarded to local and district winners. The borough champions are to receive pen and pancil sets, and engraved watches will go to the city champions.

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





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IMMEDIATELY

The Department of Parks announces that due to work in connection with the construction of the lower level of the George Washington Bridge, the following traffic changes will be in effect on the Henry Hudson Parkway between the hours of 12 midnight and 6 a.m. on Saturday, January 16, 1960.

Southbound traffic will be detoured at the George Washington Bridge to the northbound roadway for approximately one-half of a mile and then return to the southbound roadway of the parkway.

Northbound traffic will be detoured on to Riverside Drive at approximately one half a mile south of George Washington Bridge and then return to the Henry Hudson Parkway at the bridge.

Detour signs have been posted in the area with directional information.



FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1960

Columbia University for the projected construction of a University gymnasium and City recreation center in a building located at the southern end of Morningside Park. The building will be constructed on a steep, rocky hillside between Morningside Drive and Morningside Avenue. The lower floor of the building, with its entrance facing Morningside Avenue, will be operated as an indoor recreation center for the benefit of the neighboring community. The upper portion of the building, which will jut out from the escarpment and will have its entrance on Morningside Drive, will be used as a gymnasium by the University.

Following the adoption of a State enabling act authorizing the City and Columbia University to enter into a lease, the University will raise funds for the construction of the gymnasium and recreation center at an estimated cost of six million dollars.

The City recreation center, which will be the community facility, will be equipped for basketball, boxing, wrestling, handball gymnastics and other activities. The center will be particularly designed for a program organized for the teen-age boys of the surrounding community.

In its gymnasium facilities, for the use of the Columbia students, the building will include a swimming pool, basketball

courts and accommodations for other sports, including handball, gymnastics, wrestling, fencing and squash.

In addition to paying the City an annual rental for the use of the land, the University will conduct an athletic program for its student body in its gymnasium, and will arrange and supervise an organized schedule for the use of the facilities to be set aside for the neighboring community.

The proposed indoor facilities will augment the existing successful athletic field and fieldhouse which have been operated by the University, through an agreement with the City of New York, at the southern tip of Morningside Park for the past three years and have rendered fine recreational service to the neighborhood.

Columbia University, at its expense, will staff, operate and furnish heat for the community facility, and the Department of Parks will maintain and repair that portion of the interior to be used by the public.

When completed the recreation center will provide additional opportunities for year-round recreation which are urgent-ly needed in the community around Morningside Park.

This is another chapter in the fruitful history of cooperation between the private universities and the City.

ROBERT MOSES Commissioner of Parks

GRAYSON KIRK President, Columbia University





WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1960

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The Department of Parks announces that the Ninth Annual Ice Skating Carnival will be held at the Wollman Memorial Skating Rink in Central Park on Saturday, January 16, 1960, at 12 noon.

In addition to a program of ice skating events for boys and girls in all age groups, a competitive costume parade will be contested with prizes presented to the most artistic, most original and funniest. The meet is sanctioned by the Middle Atlantic Skating Association.

The schedule of events is as follows:

PARK PLAYGROUND EVENTS

			Boys	Girls
Midget	_	8 and 9 years	110 Yards	110 Yards
Juvenile	-	10 and 11 years	110 "	110 "
Junior	-	12, 13, and 14 years	220 "	220 "
Intermediate	_	15, 16, and 17 years	440 "	440 "

MIDDLE ATLANTIC SKATING ASSOCIATION EVENTS

Peanut Boys	-	Under 8 years	110 Y	ards
Special Midget Boys		8, 9 years	220	1f
Midget Boys	***	10, 11 years	330	##
Juvenile Boys	-	12, 13 years	660	ti
Midget Girls	_	ll years and under	330	Ħ

Juvenile Girls	***	12, 13 years	440	Yards
Junior Girls	-	14, 15 years	440	31
Junior Boys		14, 15 years	880	11
Intermediate Boys	***	16, 17 years	One	mile

COSTUME PARADE

(Open to skaters 16 years of age and over)

CLASSES: Host Artistic Most Original Funniest

Admission is free. There is no entry fee for skaters participating in the events.

Because of this special event, the schedule for this facility has been revised as follows for this date:

8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. - Regular free skating session for children - center area will be available for figure skating.

The regular Saturday schedule will be resumed at 2:30 p.m.





MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 1960

The Department of Parks will request the introduction in the State Legislature of an act to amend the City's Administrative Code by empowering the Commissioner of Parks to accept by gift from the Perkins family, operate and maintain an arboretum to be known as the Perkins Garden on the Perkins estate in Riverdale. The act will be introduced by Senator Joseph F. Periconi and Assemblyman Fred W. Eggert at the request of Borough President Lyons. The conditions of this gift have been outlined to Mayor Wagner.

The site of the proposed arboretum consists of the estate on the west side of Independence Ave., between West 252nd Street and West 248th Street, which has been owned for many years by Mrs. George W. Perkins, Sr., and her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Freeman.

George W. Perkins, Sr., was for many years President of the Palisades Interstate Park Commission and was one of those who acquired and conveyed to that Commission the face of the Palisades and the land along the Hudson waterfront. His son, George W. Perkins, is now President of the Commission and Vice President of the State Council of Parks.

Two residences are situated on the estate. One of these, known as "Wave Hill" has historical significance. It was built of field stone about 1830 by William Lewis Morris and was later owned by William H. Appleton, the publisher, from 1865 until 1903 when it

was purchased by George W. Perkins, Sr. During Mr. Appleton's ownership such famous men as Thackeray, Tyndall, Spencer and Huxley visited the house. About 1870, Theodore Roosevelt, as a boy, spent a summer in the house and it was later rented for a year and a half by Mark Twain.

In 1909 Professor Bashford Dean, curator of armor at the Metropolitan Museum rented the house from the Perkins family and added the famous Armor Room at the north end, to house his own private collection of armor.

Not long after Mr. Dean's death, Mrs. Perkins deeded the house to her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Freeman. During the 1940's and early 1950's, it was occupied by such notables as Arturo Toscanini and the British Ambassadors to the United Nations, Sir Gledwyn Jebb and Sir Pierson Dixon.

The other residence, the Perkins House, was built about 1927 of red brick in the Georgian style. It replaced an older structure which had been destroyed by fire.

Commanding extensive views of the Palisades and the Hudson River, the combined estate contains a wide variety of fine old trees and other plant material, gardens, lawns, wooded slopes, greenhouses and other buildings and covers an area of 20 acres. It is almost the last remaining estate of this kind and size within the City limits which can be preserved intact and in perpetuity.

Below the proposed Perkins Garden, Riverdale Park extends for one and a quarter miles along the shores and uplands of the Hudson River preserving them for public recreation and enjoyment. Largely the result of generous and public-spirited grants of land to the City by the Perkins, Freeman, Dodge, Delafield and Douglas families.

Riverdale Park was unified and supplemented by park and playground acquisition made by the City at the request of the Park Department. Park additions were acquired at Riverdale Park and Henry Hudson Memorial Park; jointly operated playgrounds were constructed adjacent to Junior High School 141, Public School 24 and Public School 81; and a new park is being established on the major portion of the former site of Seton Hospital. Riverdale is one of the fastest growing residential sections of the City and, because of the high value of property commanding views of the Hudson River, it is unlikely that the City could have acquired and preserved for park use many of these important recreational areas had it not been for the generosity of the private citizens listed above.

The Perkins Garden will form a valuable and unique addition to Riverdale's park system. It will, however, be operated separately as an arboretum. The proposed legislation provides that when the property is conveyed to the City of New York by Mrs. Perkins and by Mr. and Mrs. Freeman it is to come under the jurisdiction of the Park Commissioner who may maintain and operate it as a place for rest and passive recreation, educational, scientific and cultural activities, and for "the study and exhibition of plant life and plantings suitable to the City of New York with special reference to the problems affecting growers of plants under urban conditions."

The Park Commissioner may accept an endowment fund from the donor of the property and deposit it with the Comptroller.

The Park Commissioner may make provision for entrance charges to the property, for annual or other periodic memberships in the activities of the arboretum in exchange for the payment of dues, and for fees and charges to be paid for sales of such items as seeds, plants or books and services such as parking, instruction, and cultural activities. All funds derived from these sources are to be devoted to maintenance, operation and improvement of the arboretum.

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IMMEDIATELY

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that due to the necessary overhauling of the filtering equipment, the swimming pool at Baruch Recreation Center will be closed from Tuesday, January 2, 1962 through January 7, 1962.

In order to permit the use of this facility during the school vacation period this schedule for the work was selected.

Baruch Recreation Center is located at Rivington Street and Baruch Place in Manhattan.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Farks, announces that the Children's Zoo in Central Park will be the scene of story telling sessions this winter.

These sessions, conducted by Park Department personnel, will be held on Saturday mornings at 11:00 A.M. The first session to be on Saturday, December 23, 1961.

Featured guest artists will appear from time to time.

The Children's Zoo is located between 65th and 66th Streets on Fifth Avenue in Manhattan and is a gift to the children by Governor and Mrs. Herbert H. Lehman.