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114	11-30-63	applications available for Municipal Lifeguard course
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112	11-27-63	2 <sup>nd</sup> annual Thanksgiving Day ice skating Race.
111	11-27-63	66 <sup>th</sup> running of the National A.A.U. Cross Country championships
110	11-27-63	golf course closing
109	11-18-63	pre-school age classes at the Baysville Rec. Center
108	11-19-63	Marionette Theatre special performance of "Cinderella"
107	11-18-63	Brooklyn Wheelways Wheelchair Basketball Team home schedule at Baysville Rec. Center
106	11-20-63	seasonal closing of tennis courts
105	11-7-63	lifting of ban prohibiting fire in all park areas
104	11-6-63	Newbold Morris statement at Departmental Hearing before the city planning commission
103	11-7-63	league-leading sandlot football teams from Washington DC & NYC + special game at Downing Stadium
102	10-25-63	change in policy at childrens zoo.
101	10-18-63	1 <sup>st</sup> Metropolitan Top-spinning championships
100	10-9-63	Storytelling sessions at the Childrens Zoo.

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100	10-9-63	Storytelling sessions at the Childrens Zoo
99	10-18-63	dedication ceremonies for new Horticulture building in Queens
98	10-17-63	fires banned in all park areas
97	10-17-63	charges at Willets Point Parking Field
96	10-17-63	Hunting in Long Island split into several schedules
95	10-10-63	Wollman Memorial and Kate Wollman Skating rinks re-opened.
94	10-2-63	star of Manonette theater "Cinderella" on trip to Detroit.
93	10-1-63	Parks full dance program with bc #Alice Nash.
92	10-1-63	roller skating at Wollman Memorial and Kate Wollman rinks closed.
91	9-30-63	Manonette Theatre to present "Cinderella" at the Detroit Institute of Arts.
90	9-30-63	entry blanks available for "Punt, Pass & Kick" contest
89	9-27-63	"Techniques of Dance Instruction" open to Park employees.
88	9-25-63	Reibold Morris remarks at the dinner meeting of the Metropolitan Section of the N.Y.S. Water Pollution Control Association
87	9-19-63	opening of 10 new tennis courts at Riverside Park.
86	9-19-63	Fannie Hurst featured at storytelling here at Hans C. Andersen Memorial.
85	9-13-63	fishing contest at Stuyvesant pier, Coney Island

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84	9-13-63	series of Top spinning Contests
83	9-11-63	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Model Sailboat Regatta
82	9-6-63	Story-telling & educational program will resume at childrens zoo
81	9-6-63	2 indoor swimming pools closed for repair
80	9-6-63	5 <sup>th</sup> Annual One-wall Handball Championships at Brownville Recreation Center
79	9-3-63	2 concerts at Steeplechase pier in Coney Island
78	9-5-63	closing of 17 outdoor pools throughout the Boroughs
77	9-2-63	Social dancing at various parks as part of the Summer festival program - schedule.
76	9-2-63	duplicate
75	8-28-63	Naumburg Symphony Orchestra.
74	8-26-63	Social dancing schedule.
73	8-25-63	NY Orchestral Society concert in the Mall.
72	8-24-63	7 <sup>th</sup> Annual Giuseppe Creators Memorial Concert
71	8-23-63	John Phillip Sousa memorial concert.
70	8-21-63	Marine Park golf Course Open for public use
69	8-19-63	Social dancing part of the Summer Festival Program.
68	8-12-63	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Model Airplane contest.
67	8-12-63	National sub-Junior bicycle championships
66	8-8-63	17 <sup>th</sup> Annual Junior Olympic Sports festival.
65	8-13-63	city-wide finals of the 22 <sup>nd</sup> annual Harvest Dance Contest.

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64	8-12-63	4 lion cubs born at the Prospect Park Zoo
63	8-12-63	social dancing as part of the Summer Festival Program
62	8-9-63	Bicycle Safety Program at Kissena Bicycle Track
61	8-11-63	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Hopscotch Contest
60	8-7-63	Name Band Dances featuring Woody Herman
59	8-5-63	5 <sup>th</sup> Annual Junior Fishing Contest
58	8-5-63	social dancing as part of the Summer Festival Program
57	7-31-63	paving of parking field adjacent to Kate Wollman rink
56	8-1-63	13 <sup>th</sup> Annual Blind Bogey Tournament and Hole in One Contest
55	7-31-63	Dance-Music-Drama brochure exhausted
54	7-31-63	5 <sup>th</sup> Annual Fishing Contest
53	7-29-63	Naumburg Symphony Orchestra - Robert Clwing conductor, Ruth Posselt guest violin soloist
52	7-25-63	Borough Championships in 22 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Harvest Dance Contest
51	7-19-63	soft surfacing material is being evaluated as a safety cushion beneath exercise equipment in Central Park Playground
50	7-23-63	N.Y. Summer Festival Hostess Nanette Fabray to make guest appearance as story-teller
49	7-16-63	Seuffert Band Noon Day Concerts
	7-16-63	social dancing throughout the city
48	7-12-63	Friday evening series of square & folk dancing at Riverside Park
47	7-12-63	construction at Shea Stadium will not be completed for ball this year.

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46	7-19-63	John Eger, musical director of N.Y. Orchestral Society will conduct 2 concerts
45	7-18-63	Construction of storm sewers will necessitate the closing of playground at Bradley Ave & Bronx Park E.
44	7-3-63	Summer series of Square & Folk dances will continue.
43	6-27-63	Hans C. Andersen Story-telling hour
42	6-27-63	"Salute to Independence Day" in form of open air band concert by Seuffert Band.
41	6-30-63	Nurnberg Symphony Orchestra conducted by Carl Bamberger - Julius Bares & Melvin Broder guests.
40	6-26-63	Conclusion of storytelling sessions at the Children's Zoo.
39		two track meets at 74th and Riverside & East River Dr.
38	6-19-63	Name Bands schedule.
37	6-13-63	7th Annual Edward A. & Alice H. Kerbs Memorial Sail Boat Regatta and Design competition
36	6-13-63	entries accepted for parks in Bronx for Track meets.
35		city-wide finals of the Barber Shop Quartet Contest
34		"June is Recreation Month" - program schedule.
33	6-11-63	"Dancing under the Stars" - Square & Folk Dances.
32	6-7-63	Storytelling at Hans C. Andersen Memorial has commenced.
31	6-6-63	Annual city-wide Park Dance Festival
30	6-1-63	Storytelling at Hans C. Andersen has commenced.
29		Statement by John A. Mulcahey, Acting Commissioner regarding survey on maintenance & design of park facilities

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28	5-22-63	Roosevelt Park Golden Age Center will celebrate its 8 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
27	5-22-63	45 minute concert by 100 Voice Beloit, Wisconsin, YMCA Boys choir
26	5-22-63	In cooperation with the Bronx County American Legion - 3 qualifying track meets
25	—	opening of Manhattan Beach in Brooklyn postponed due to repairs in the plumbing system.
24	5-15-63	Annual Dept. of Parks Boxing Championships at Lost Battalion Hall.
23	5-17-63	bathing & swimming season at municipally operated beaches & swimming pools will open for season
22	5-15-63	7 <sup>th</sup> Annual Sail Boat Regatta & Design Competition
21	—	open house at the Lost Battalion Hall to celebrate the 1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary of its opening as a rec. center
20	5-8-63	29 <sup>th</sup> Annual Barber Shop Quartet Contest.
19	5-2-63	Kite Flying and Design Contest at Long Meadow in Prospect Park.
18	4-30-63	Charles Rodriguez first player to hit a hole-in-one at Douglaston Park
17	4-30-63	Engineers' Gate at the entrance to Central Park will be dedicated with ceremonies
16	4-27-63	4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Eastern Tennis Patrons' series of free clinics for boys & girls. Dina Merrill, Billy Talbot & Sarah Palfrey Danzig will participate

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15	4-26-63	Douglaston Park Golf Course will open
14	4-26-63	members of the Square & Folk Dance Club of the Park Dept. Over Dolch Golden Age Center to visit patients of the Beth Abraham home for incurables.
13	4-24-63	4 <sup>th</sup> Annual Series of free Tennis clinics sponsored by Eastern Tennis patrons in cooperation w/ Dept. of Parks
12	4-10-63	Opening of 469 Tennis Courts.
11	4-10-63	Traffic on the Cluteborough Parkway will be restricted to one lane.
—	—	proposed department of parks recreation center
10	4-2-63	difficulties in ice making at Kate Wollman Mem. — adjusted session schedule.
9	4-2-63	electrical power failure — no skating at Wollman Mem.
8	—	12 <sup>th</sup> Annual Open House Week at St. Mary's Rec. Center
7	3-28-63	letter from Commissioner Newbold Morris to State Senator Jerome Wilson in answer to his expressed misapprehensions about certain Dept. of Parks activities
6	3-28-63	opening of 6 golf courses.
5	—	ski slopes in Van Cortland Park closed for season.
4	2-15-63	list of seasonal park sections
3	—	1 <sup>st</sup> NY ski area opened.
2	1-24-63	expansion of story-telling program at the Children's Zoo — motion pictures & color slides.
1	1-23-63	free dance instruction

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1963

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that twenty-six Christmas trees located throughout the city will be lighted on Monday, December 23, 1963 at 3:30 P.M. Tree lighting ceremonies will be held at City Hall, Manhattan; Borough Hall, Brooklyn; Joyce Kilmer Park, Bronx; Queens Borough Hall; and Richmond Borough Hall. The ceremonies were postponed during the mourning period for our late President John F. Kennedy.

The City Hall ceremonies in Manhattan will be broadcast. Mayor Wagner will deliver his annual Christmas message, and a switch will be thrown, lighting the 60' high tree, officially beginning New York's observance of the Yuletide season. Honorable Edward R. Dudley, Borough President of Manhattan, will also speak at the Manhattan ceremony. Christmas music will be played by the Department of Sanitation Band. The Equitable Life Assurance Society Choral Club and the Glee Club of the School of Education of Fordham University will sing traditional Christmas songs and carols. The children of United Nations families will participate.

The switch, lighting the tree, will also light a green wreath, 18' in diameter decorated with red berries, pine cones, hemlock, and white ruscus and holly, over the main entrance of the Park Department headquarters at the Arsenal, 64th Street \* over



and Fifth Avenue, Central Park, Manhattan. In the center of the wreath is a star on a field of sky blue.

This colorful display, weighing approximately 2,000 lbs. was fabricated and installed by Park personnel.

The trees and the star will be lighted each evening after the ceremony from 4:30 P.M. to midnight until January 1, 1964.

Christmas trees have been erected in the following locations:

MANHATTAN:

\* City Hall Park, Broadway and Murray Street  
Tavern on the Green, Central Park West and 67 Street  
Mt. Morris Park, lawn at approximately 123 St. and Madison Ave.  
Ft. Tryon Park, Dyckman St. and Broadway  
Carl Schurz Park, 85 Street and East End Avenue  
Washington Square Park, Washington Arch  
Madison Square Park, Fifth Avenue and 23 Street  
Thomas Jefferson Park, First Avenue and East 111 St.  
Bellevue Hospital, E. 26 St. on grounds

BROOKLYN:

\* Borough Hall Park, Fulton and Joralemon Streets  
Grand Army Plaza, Prospect Park, Flatbush Ave. & Union St.  
McCarren Park, Driggs Ave. and Lorimer Street  
Esplanade, Montague Terrace, bet. Remsen and Pierrepont Sts.  
Dyker Beach Park, S.W. corner of 86th Street and 7th Ave.  
Leiv Eriksson Park, 67th Street, bet. 4th and 5th Aves.

BRONX:

\* Joyce Kilmer Park, 161st St. and Grand Concourse  
St. Mary's Park, St. Ann's Ave. and E. 145th Street  
St. James Park, center of oval lawn, E. 191st St. and Jerome Ave.

QUEENS:

\* Borough Hall, Queens Blvd. and Union Turnpike  
King Park, Jamaica Ave. 151st Street  
Flushing Park, Northern Blvd. and Main Street  
St. Albans Memorial Park, Merrick Blvd. and 113th Ave.  
Highland Park, Jamaica Ave. and Elton St.  
Elmhurst Playground, Broadway and Bitton Ave.

RICHMOND:

\* Borough Hall, Bay Street and Borough Place  
Tappen Park, Bay and Canal Sts.

\* - PRINCIPAL CEREMONY

Borough Presidents Stark, Periconi, and Maniscalco will light the trees in their respective boroughs with appropriate ceremonies.

In addition to the ceremonies at the largest trees, there will be more than 300 children's Christmas parties held between December 12th and the new year in neighborhood playgrounds throughout the five boroughs. In general the parties will include carol singing, special Christmas games, visits from Santa Claus, dancing and entertainment.



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FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1963

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that there will be a special Christmas Storytelling Program at the Children's Zoo.

The general public is invited to attend these Christmas programs which will be held Monday, December 23, 1963 through January 1, 1964. There will be two sessions a day. Saturday there will be only one session at 11 a.m. Sunday there are no sessions. Monday through Friday the special sessions will be held at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

The Children's Zoo is located north of the Central Park Zoo, may be reached by the 64th or 67th Street entrances on Fifth Avenue. Adults as well as children are admitted to the Children's Zoo and the admission is ten cents.

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FOR RELEASE

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1-1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Commissioner Newbold Morris of the Department of Parks announces that all of the tickets for the special Christmas Week showings of the Marionette Theatre performances of "Cinderella" at the Hunter College Playhouse have been distributed. The requests for tickets were honored in the order of their receipt, and all of the eight scheduled showings will be presented to a capacity audience.

The Park Department Marionette Theatre will tour the public and parochial schools during the winter, and again perform in the Park playgrounds outdoors in the summer. It is hoped that the children who are now disappointed may enjoy one of these future performances.

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FOR RELEASE

DECEMBER 10, 1963.

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that a presentation ceremony will be held at Park Department headquarters, the Arsenal, 64 Street and Fifth Avenue, at 10 A.M. on Tuesday, December 10, 1963.

In recognition of the outstanding "Pet Fair" conducted in The Borough of the Bronx last summer under the sponsorship of the Ralston Purina Company, Mr. Morris will present a plaque to Miss Aubrey A. Davis, Recreation Leader, under whose able direction and organization 80 youngsters exhibited pets at the Park Department playground at East 215th Street and Barnes Avenue. Over 300 spectators enjoyed watching the activity.

In addition a check for \$100 is to be awarded to the playground to be deposited in the Park Recreational Fund. This will be used for the purpose of purchasing special play equipment to enhance the local playground program.

More than 200 New York State communities were eligible to compete in the program sponsored by the Ralston Purina Company. These pet shows were conducted by recreation departments and recreation leaders throughout the State.

A committee of judges headed by Dr. Richard Kraus, Professor of Recreation Education at Teachers College, Columbia University, selected the Bronx Division on the basis of "effectiveness,

educational value, recreational value, and community participation in its pet fair program".

First awards for single pet fairs and for community-wide pet fairs went to the Patchogue, Long Island, Recreation Department and West Seneca New York Recreation Department respectively.

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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1963

1-1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the entrance gates at the Lehman Zoo for Children in Central Park have been draped in mourning in respect to the memory of the late Governor Herbert H. Lehman for a period of one month.

The Lehman Zoo for Children was the gracious gift of the late Governor and Mrs. Lehman in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

The attendance of over 1,500,000 adults and children since the opening of this Zoo on September 28, 1961 indicates their appreciation of this wonderful educational and recreational facility which provides for the exhibition of gentle animals and birds; a regular feature is a story-telling hour for the school children.

Both Governor Lehman and his wife visited the area at every opportunity to watch the children enjoy themselves visiting the animals in their story-book homes.

The Department of Parks is honored to have a living memorial to so great a distinguished public-spirited citizen.



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FOR RELEASE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1963

1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that applications are now available for the Municipal Lifeguard Course which is conducted each year to train men for the position of Lifeguard at New York City's municipal pools and beaches. Tuition is free.

The course consists of practical and theoretical instruction in lifeguard procedure and practice. Staff members of the Park Department will act as instructors.

Applicants must be male citizens of the United States, however, they are not required to be residents of New York City, who will have reached their 17th birthday on the day of appointment and can pass a non-competitive swimming test of 50 yards in 35 seconds, free style. The minimum height and weight requirements are 5'7" and 135 lbs., at time of registration. Applicants must furnish a medical certificate, stating that they are in good health. Candidates will not be considered eligible for appointment if they have reached their 35th birthday. Proof of date of birth must be submitted with application.

Applications will be available at all public, private and parochial, and Hebrew high schools, university and college placement offices; all YMCA, YMHA, and Red Cross Chapter offices; also, at all

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borough offices of the Department of Parks. Applications will be accepted by the register clerk at the East 54th Street Pool at 342 East 54th Street, Manhattan.

Sessions will begin on Wednesday, January 2, 1964, and enrollees will be required to attend 14 sessions (2 hours weekly) which will be held afternoons and evenings each weekday, and mornings and afternoons on Saturdays. Applicants will be given their choice of class periods.

Successful candidates will receive certificates of qualification at the termination of the course.



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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
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FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1963

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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, December 1, 1963.

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

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FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1963

#112

1-1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks announces that the 2nd Annual Thanksgiving Day Ice Skating Race program will be held tomorrow at the Kate Wollman Memorial Rink, Prospect Park, Brooklyn. The activities, sponsored by the Department of Parks and the Middle Atlantic Skating Association, will begin at 11:30 A.M.

The highlight of the speed skating program is a special 10-mile race open to Senior men. This event, according to "Chick" Ciccarelli, Middle Atlantic Association official, has created an upsurge of interest in long-distance skating.

Presented for the first time in 1959 at the Flushing Meadow (16 lap to the mile) Rink, 40 skaters entered in the race which was won by Skippy Nelson in the time of 43.39. Ronnie Peters won the event in 1960 in the good time of 41.29, and the following year Bob Fisher clipped 10 seconds from the local record when he darted over the finish line in 41.19.

With the closing of the Flushing Rink in preparation for World's Fair activities, the event was moved to the 12 lap to the mile Brooklyn Wollman Rink. There, last year, under rainy skies before a crowd of 1,500 spectators, Richie Wurster of Saratoga Springs, N.Y. wrested the title from local speedsters with the lightning time of 35.55.

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All of the previous winners will compete tomorrow, along with other such outstanding skaters as Bob Muller, Stanley Rose, Paul Kotz, and Ed Peters.

As an added attraction this year, seven Novice races have been added for members of the three Park Department Speed Skating Clubs. Boys and girls representing the Brooklyn and Manhattan Wollman Rinks and the still active Flushing Speed Skating Club will take part. Medals will be awarded for first, second, and third place, in addition to a handsome trophy to the team champion based on a 5-3-2-1 point score in each event.

Mr. Ciccarelli, President of the Brooklyn Wollman Middle Atlantic Skating Association Club will present the award, donated by the Brooklyn Club, to the winning coach.

Admission for spectators is free. The rink is located in Prospect Park, East Drive between Lincoln Road and Parkside Avenue. There is plenty of free parking.



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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1963

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the 66th running of the National A.A.U. Cross-Country Championships will be run at Van Cortlandt Park, Broadway at 242nd Street, Bronx, on Saturday, November 30th at 2 P.M.

Heading the outstanding field of distance runners from the United States and Canada are Toronto's sensational 20 year old Bruce Kidd, Peter McArdle, 34 year old defending champion from New York City, Vic Zwolak, newly-crowned LC4A champion for the second year, and John J. Kelly, U.S. marathon king from the Boston A.A. One hundred and fifty competitors will face the starting line for the grueling 10,000 meter (6-1/2 miles) run.

A tightly contested battle for the team championship is anticipated, with the New York A.C., the East York Track Club of Toronto, the Los Angeles Track Club, the Boston A.A., and Toronto Olympic Club the chief contenders.

For the Van Cortlandt Park cross-country course this event climaxes a successful season where, since September, over fifty colleges, public, private and parochial high schools, and A.A.U. Meets were run. The LC4A Championships, held on November 18th, attracted one of the largest fields and the greatest turn out of spectators in the long history of the event.

It is estimated that more than 1,000 athletics use the hill and dale course daily for practice sessions.



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FOR RELEASE

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Park Commissioner Newbold Morris announces that a record number of children have registered for the pre-school age classes at the Brownsville Recreation Center, 1555 Linden Boulevard, Brooklyn.

Because of the exceptionally large number of applicants a third Recreation Leader has been assigned to the program for the 4 and 5 year old youngsters from the community.

Classes meet from 10 A.M. to Noon, and from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M. daily, Mondays through Fridays with children going to either session dependent upon parental requests. A staff of three Recreation Leaders are assisted by college students who volunteer their services to take part in a community experience program as part of their education courses.

The Fall sessions started on October 7, 1963 and will conclude, after 16 weeks on January 31, 1964. Classes are not held on legal holidays, just as their older brothers and sisters who attend regular school. The Spring term will commence on February 3, 1964 and finish on May 29, 1964, also a 16-week period. Spring vacation will occur during Easter week. Because of the large registration, children attend either the Fall term or Spring term, which means that 360 children will be served during the 1963-1964 period. The Brownsville

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Recreation Center is one of the many recreation facilities under the jurisdiction of the New York City Department of Parks. Children enjoy these services on payment of the standard \$1.00 annual fee for center membership.

Registration for pre-school, for either term, takes place during the last week of August and first week of September each year. Before each term opens the parents are given an orientation on the program and conduct of the program.

The program consists of simple crafts, nursery rhymes, rhythmic, finger games, music and songs, story-telling, simple group games, and birthday and holiday celebrations and parties.

November 18, 1963.



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1963

1-1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Department of Parks' Marionette Theatre will present a series of eight special performances of "Cinderella" at the Hunter College Playhouse during Christmas week. "Cinderella" is being presented this season at the request of the thousands who were unable to secure tickets when it was produced last year. The Playhouse is located at 68th Street, between Park and Lexington Avenues.

The schedule of performances is as follows:

Thursday, December 26th	at 2:30 P.M. only
Friday, December 27th	at 11 A.M. and 2:30 P.M.
Saturday, December 28th	at 11 A.M. and 2:30 P.M.
Monday, December 30th	at 11 A.M. and 2:30 P.M.
Tuesday, December 31st	at 11 A.M. and 2:30 P.M.

Admission to all performances will be by ticket only.

Free tickets may be obtained by sending a self-addressed stamped (5¢) envelope, indicating on the inside flap the date and time of the performance requested, and the number of tickets required. Because of the heavy demand for seats, not more than four tickets will be permitted for each request. Requests will be honored in the order in which they are received.

All letters should be addressed to:

Puppet Show  
Department of Parks  
64th Street and Fifth Avenue  
New York 21, N.Y.

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

The Park Department Marionette Theatre, in existence since 1939, performs for more than 500,000 children and their parents each year during its indoor and outdoor tours.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK  
REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1963

1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the famous Brooklyn Whirlaways Wheelchair Basketball Team plans an eight-game 1963-64 home schedule at the Brownsville Recreation Center, 1555 Linden Boulevard, Brooklyn, New York.

The Whirlaways, all physically handicapped athletes, are in their 15th season of wheelchair play. They are members of both the National and Eastern Wheelchair Basketball Conferences, and are sponsored by the Brownsville Boys Club and the Brownsville Handball Club.

The campaign to regain the Eastern Conference championship opens on Wednesday, November 20th when the Whirlaways meet the "Eastern Paraplegic Veterans" at home. Game time is 8:30 P.M. Admission is free to all games. The public is invited to attend.

The complete schedule:

HOME GAMES

Wednesday,	November 20,	1963	8:30 P.M.	v.s. Eastern Paraplegic Vets.
Wednesday,	December 4,	1963	8:30 P.M.	v.s. Abilities
Wednesday,	December 18,	1963	8:30 P.M.	v.s. Bulova
Sunday,	January 5,	1964	1:00 P.M.	v.s. Philadelphia
Wednesday,	January 29,	1964	8:30 P.M.	v.s. New Jersey
Wednesday,	February 5,	1964	8:30 P.M.	v.s. Pan Am Jets
Sunday,	February 16,	1964	1:00 P.M.	v.s. Richmond
Sunday,	February 23,	1964	1:00 P.M.	v.s. New England

AWAY GAMES

Thursday, December 12, 1963	8:00 P.M.	v.s. New Jersey at Hackensack
Monday, January 13, 1964	8:00 P.M.	v.s. Bulova at Flushing
Saturday, January 18, 1964	8:00 P.M.	v.s. Abilities at Elmont
Saturday, January 25, 1964	8:00 P.M.	v.s. Richmond at Virginia
Saturday, February 1, 1964	8:00 P.M.	v.s. Philadelphia at Philadelphia
Saturday, March 14, 1964	8:00 P.M.	v.s. New England at Boston

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1963

#106

1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces the closing of the tennis courts for the season, at the end of the day's business, Sunday, November 24, 1963.

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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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

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1-1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks announces the lifting of the ban prohibiting fires in all park areas and particularly at the picnic grounds.

Sufficient rain fall has dispelled the dangerous dry condition that caused the ban to be imposed.

November 7, 1963.

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D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

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1-1-3-50M-726102(63) 114

Attached is a copy of the statement by Newbold Morris,  
Commissioner of Parks, on Wednesday, November 6, 1963, at the  
Departmental Hearing before the City Planning Commission.

November 6, 1963.



STATEMENT BY NEWBOLD MORRIS, COMMISSIONER OF PARKS,  
AT DEPARTMENTAL HEARING BEFORE CITY PLANNING  
COMMISSION, NOVEMBER 6, 1963

The request for capital funds which I present today is for only a portion of a tremendous program for park development and improvement. It comprises very urgent and necessary park construction and reconstruction.

PARK ACQUISITION:

I would place the highest priority in the capital budget for land acquisition. The entire program I presented for inclusion in the State Bond Issue Program has not yet been supported by the necessary city agencies. The present capital budget included a total amount of city funds of \$5,666,000 and state funds in the amount of \$17,000,000, making a total for that program of \$22,666,000 seventy-five per cent financed by state funds and twenty-five by city money. Included in my program, originally approved by the state but not yet by the city, are the following lands for proposed parks:

Wolfe's Pond Park Addition, 93 acres, estimated cost  
\$1,120,000

Conference House Park Addition, 268 acres, estimated  
cost \$3,530,000

Land adjacent to the West Shore Expressway and Richmond  
Parkway, 364 acres, estimated cost \$2,756,000

The above three areas, all located in Staten Island, are most desirable for park improvement. This infant borough is just commencing to grow. Every day, as the Verrazano Bridge nears completion, real estate activity is soaring. The proposed addition to Conference House Park is every bit as spectacular as so-called

Breezy Point, the acquisition of which has been proposed by the city and agreed to by the state. It is equal in area and would cost less provided acquisition is expedited. It is important that this land in Staten Island be preserved for the recreation of generations to come, and there is still hope that this can be fulfilled. In my opinion, the price for Breezy Point, desirable as that area may be, should not deter us from an opportunity to acquire park lands for Staten Island. Another area in Staten Island which should be approved for acquisition is forty acres of a proposed park adjacent to Staten Island Community College.

Each proposal should be considered on its own merits and we must remember that if we do not reserve these lands for public use, they will be gobbled up all too soon for private development. This actually happened at Breezy Point.

There are five areas in the Borough of the Bronx which should be acquired for park purposes: The largest of these is the so-called Pelham Bay Park Addition, a strip of land under water to be developed for a beach and marina purposes, 406 acres, at Eastchester Bay, at a cost of \$600,000. This would necessitate only 40 acres to be acquired, the balance being under state and city ownership. Also included would be an addition to St. Mary's Park, at an estimated cost of \$1,000,000 for 2.5 acres.

There are also ten areas to be acquired in Brooklyn at an estimated cost of \$1,609,700, seven areas in Queens at \$1,953,900, and two small areas in Manhattan at \$147,000.

A total of \$14,745,600 should be provided for immediate park acquisition.

P-245 - PARK REHABILITATION

The Park Department requires \$4,000,000 to meet the cost of this continuing program of rehabilitation, repaving in various parks parks, parkways, playgrounds, structures and related mechanical equipment. This project also includes the necessary work required in the swimming pools throughout the City. The work included in this project is of the utmost necessity in maintaining our existing facilities and preventing further deterioration.

Under Project P-127, the extensive program of constructing playgrounds adjacent to public schools for joint operation with the Board of Education continues with 38 playgrounds throughout the City. These will provide much needed recreational facilities for both school children and all age groups in the adjacent neighborhoods.

A great need exists for indoor recreational facilities for year-round use to supplement outdoor activities.

Recreation centers of individual design and special use are planned in:

1. Riverside Park - Manhattan (Adele R. Levy Memorial Playground)
2. New recreation center in the Chelsea area, Manhattan (replacing the existing 28 Street Gym and Pool)
3. New recreation center, Queens, New York Boulevard - 134 Avenue adjacent to proposed Junior High School 72
4. Addition to Owen Dolen Recreation Center, Bronx - Golden Age Group

5. Also, funds are requested for alteration of the old Ridgewood Felony Court House in Queens to become a recreation center for senior citizens as well as the youth of the community.
6. Construction funds are requested for the Ice-Skating Rink in Clove Lakes Park and for the Stadium in Great Kills Park, Richmond, which comprise the Staten Island War Memorial.

Other urgently needed park improvements included in our request are as follows:

1. Construction funds for the playground at Flatbush Avenue and Avenue H - portions of area to be constructed over a garage to be built by the Department of Public Works for the Traffic Department.
2. Construction funds for the second stage of the Parade Grounds, Brooklyn, will complete the rehabilitation of this very popular recreational facility.
3. New Golf House - Forest Park Golf Course - and Parking Area.

A new project is included this year for "Safety Surfacing." This department has been experimenting with various surfacing materials and we hope to find a resilient material that will be both vandalproof and weatherproof. This year's request will continue to use various materials on an experimental basis.

Although each project cannot be mentioned separately at this time, the smaller projects are also vitally important in terms of the individual's need for recreation, both passive and active, throughout the entire year.

I strongly urge your review and approval of all of these projects. The City and all its citizens, young and old, will benefit in innumerable ways when these facilities are constructed. They will provide better opportunities for health and happiness and create an attractive environment for good friends and neighbors.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1963

#103

1-1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Park Commissioner Newbold Morris and New York City Youth Board Executive Director Arthur Rogers announce that league-leading sandlot football teams from Washington, D.C., and New York City will meet in a special football game at Downing Stadium on Monday, November 11, at 1:30 p.m.

According to Charles H. Starke, Director of Recreation for the Park Department, New York City will be represented by the "Knights," pace-setter of the Kyle Rote Metropolitan Youth Football Conference. The Kyle Rote League, formed in 1958, is one of the most active in the metropolitan area. League President Kenneth S. Knigen reports that 22 teams ranging in age from 9 through 18 are presently competing in four age divisions. The "Knights," with a squad of 36 boys whose ages range from 15 to 18 and who weigh from 160 to 180 pounds, are sponsored by the Cummings Brothers American Legion Post #1436 of Brooklyn.

Bobby Lane's "Junior Stonewall" Football Team of Washington, D.C. current Junior Division League leaders in the nation's Capitol will oppose the "Knights" in this inter-sectional clash.

Kyle Rote, former star with the New York Giants and present offensive coach will be on hand to kick out the first ball.

The winning team will receive a handsome trophy with four additional awards going to the two most valuable players of each team.

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The game, to which admission is free, begins promptly at 1:30 p.m. Half time festivities will include an exhibition game between two outstanding teams from the 8 to 11 year old Midget Division of the Kyle Rote League, as the Red Hook "Rams" meet the Gerritsen "Hurricanes" in an abbreviated contest. Another half-time feature will be entertainment by American Legion marching bands.

Downing Stadium seats 21,000 and may be reached by auto via the Tri-Borough Bridge or by bus from 125th Street and Lexington Avenue.



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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

#102

1-1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces a change in the policy in the admission of adults to the Children's Zoo in Central Park.

Adults not escorting children may now visit this facility each day of the week instead of on Monday only.

This determination was made to provide more opportunity to many out-of-town visitors as well as City residents to see this attractive and interesting area.

The Children's Zoo, located just off Fifth Avenue at 65th Street, was a gift of Governor and Mrs. Herbert H. Lehman to commemorate their 50th wedding anniversary. It is opened daily from 10 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Admission to all is 10¢.

October 25, 1963



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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1963

1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the first Metropolitan Top-Spinning Championship will be held at the Mall, 72nd Street and the East Drive in Central Park, on Saturday, October 19th, beginning at 1 P.M. (In the event of rain, the contest will take place the next day, Sunday, October 20th, at 1 P.M.)

Beginning on Saturday, September 21st, in 400 playgrounds, more than 5,000 boys and girls, up to 16 years of age competed in local, district, and borough-wide play-offs as part of the nation-wide top-spinning eliminations being conducted by the Duncan Company. As the tournament has progressed, jacket emblems and handsome trophies have been awarded to successful competitors, along with the right to participate in the Mall finals. Invitations have been extended, also, to winners from other New York City, New Jersey, Nassau, and Westchester youth-serving agencies to join in the final play-offs to select the 1963 Top-Spinning Champion of Metropolitan New York.

In addition to large trophies for the top finalists will go an all-expense trip for the champion, and one parent, to famed Disneyland in California. The National Champion will receive a College Scholarship Grant.

Among the eight basic tricks to be performed by the finalists on Saturday are the "Big Scoop," "Sky Rocket," "Boomerang," and the "Man on the Flying Trapeze." Points are awarded for proficiency in performance, with the "Target Shoot" trick featured as the tie-breaker, if necessary.

Department of Parks Borough Representatives who will perform are:

MANHATTAN:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Stanley Hambrick	11	634 St. Nicholas Avenue
Leroy George	14	351 West 141st Street
Hector Costello	13	473 West 158th Street
Feliz Rios	14	136 Eldridge Street
Robert Barisi	12	2729 Monroe Street
(female) Georgetta Popolizio	11	3736 10th Avenue

THE BRONX:

Alberto Prince	15	857 Crotona Park, N.
Charles Freeman	12	3227 Tenbroeck Avenue
Carmine Tabacco	12	2585 Grand Concourse
Philip Coleman	15	1107 Prospect Avenue
Joseph Maldonado	11	800 East 173rd Street
(Female) Laura Bazarnicki	10	2592 Creston Avenue

RICHMOND:

Albert Peterson	12	122 Lamport Boulevard
Bob Nisbett	14	204 Schmidts Lane
Greg DeFietro	13	85 Cameron Avenue
Greg McKinney	11	27 Warren Street
(Female) Dot Barren (Dorothy)	11	180 Canal Street

QUEENS:

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
	Louis Kletecka	13	104-48 Roosevelt Avenue Corona
	Louis Savarese	10	84-32 251st Street Bellerose
	Charles Bondanza	11	104-16 Roosevelt Avenue Corona
	John Lucoco	12	39-53 45th Street Sunnyside
(Female)	Debra Gentile	10	71-61 252nd Street Bellerose

BROOKLYN:

	Richard Costantion	11	66 Bay 22nd
	John Ruiz	13	565 55th Street
	Angel Rivera	15	462 Snediker Avenue
	Santo Rivera	11	462 Snediker Avenue
(Female)	Ria Maruffi	12	247 Bay 17th



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FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Commissioner Newbold Morris announces that reservations for the Storytelling sessions conducted by the Department of Parks at the Children's Zoo in Central Park, 65th Street and Fifth Avenue, for classes attending public, private, and parochial schools are completely filled through June, 1964.

Requests from representatives of schools desirous of including a storytelling session at the Children's Zoo in their educational field trips during the next fall and spring terms (Mondays through Fridays at 10 A.M. and 1 P.M., September 1964 through June 1965) will be honored in the order of their receipt after January 1, 1964 by writing to:

Department of Parks  
Children's Zoo  
64th Street and Fifth Avenue  
New York, New York (10021)

The general public sessions scheduled for Mondays through Fridays at 3:30 P.M. and on Saturdays at 11 A.M., for children accompanied by parents or guardians, will continue as usual.

The admission fee to the Children's Zoo for each child and adult is ten cents. There is no extra charge for admission to the storytelling program.

October 9, 1963.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK  
REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1963

1-1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

The Department of Parks, The Queens Botanical Garden Society, and The New York World's Fair 1964-1965 Corporation announce that dedication ceremonies for the new Horticultural Building at Main Street and Elder Avenue in Kissena Corridor Park, Queens will be held on Saturday, October 19, 1963 at 12 Noon.

The program for the occasion will be as follows:

NATIONAL ANTHEM

MR. CHARLES G. MEYER  
President, Queens Botanical Garden Society  
Presiding

SPEAKERS

HON. ROBERT MOSES  
President, The New York World's Fair 1964-65 Corporation

HON. MARIO J. CARIELLO  
President, The Borough of Queens

HON. PAUL SCREVANE  
President of the City Council

PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM BY WNYC  
Seymour Seigel, Director

MUSIC BY DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION BAND  
John M. Celebre, Conductor

The New York World's Fair of 1939-40 included among its many other attractions a spectacular five-acre horticultural exhibit, "Gardens on Parade." Due to the shortages of manpower and materials during World War II, the plantings and many other features of these

gardens remained in Flushing Meadow Park, unused and almost forgotten by the public. At the close of the War, and with the active encouragement and cooperation of Park Commissioner Robert Moses, the Long Island Press, the late Borough President Maurice Fitzgerald and other public-spirited individuals and organizations, the Queens Botanical Garden Society was formed "to establish and maintain a botanical garden, park and arboretum in the County of Queens, for the collection, culture and scientific study of plants, flowers, shrubs and trees ..... for the exhibition and carrying on of ornamental and decorative gardens and gardening and for the entertainment, recreation and education of the people." The Society was incorporated in 1946 and established its administrative headquarters in Queens Borough Hall where they have remained until today through the courtesy and interest of successive Borough Presidents. The original officers of the Society were: Charles G. Meyer, Sr., President; Otto H. Langhans, Chairman of the Board; Louis Gertz, Treasurer; and Elizabeth Fedden, Executive Secretary.

During the next two years the "Gardens on Parade" were restored and improved by the Department of Parks at the direction of Commissioner Moses and on June 5, 1948, they were opened to the public as the "Queens Botanical Garden" in Flushing Meadow Park. Occupied by the Society under revocable permit from the Park Department which was largely responsible for its maintenance, the Garden served a valuable recreational and educational function for both the adults and children of the borough. By 1960 the Park Department had enlarged, fenced, and improved 20 acres where the Queens Botanical Garden Society conducted children's gardening classes, rose and chrysanthemum festivals, in-training courses for teachers and many other activities, even though severely hampered by the lack of a commodious and modern headquarters building where its horticultural, educational and administrative

affairs could be conducted efficiently.

With the development of plans for the New York World's Fair of 1964 and 1965 it soon became apparent that the Botanical Garden in Flushing Meadow Park would not only be bisected by the construction of the Van Wyck Expressway Extension but would also be required for the building of the Fair itself. Maintaining his interest in the welfare of the garden as President of the New York World's Fair Corporation, Mr. Moses proposed that a new Queens Botanical Garden be constructed in the section of Kissena Corridor Park that had been leased to the Fair Corporation between Main and Lawrence Streets from Dahlia to Elder Avenues, and Park Commissioner Newbold Morris gave his whole-hearted approval to the proposal.

The Queens Botanical Garden Society will maintain and operate the new Garden under an agreement with the City of New York and The New York World's Fair Corporation which will hold the property under lease until after the closing and demolition of the Fair. The area covered by the agreement comprises approximately 24 acres, of which the easterly third adjacent to Main Street has been intensively developed for display garden purposes. The remainder is being developed as an informally landscaped arboretum area. The firm of Clarke & Rapuano are the landscape architects for the development of the Queens Botanical Garden which is being paid for by the City as part of the program of permanent park improvements related to the Fair. The costs of design and supervision are being met by the Fair Corporation which is also to reimburse the City for its expenditures on construction.

In addition to the seasonal flower festivals and other activities conducted at the former garden in Flushing Meadow Park, the Society is planning an expanded program of lectures, demonstrations,

exhibits and tours for the new Garden. Within the next few weeks, 5,000 rose bushes will be planted to form the nucleus of the Charles H. Perkins Memorial Rose Garden, expected to number 15,000 specimens upon completion. Other special features now being planned include a Heath Garden, a Fragrance Garden, an Aster Collection and a turf demonstration area.

Essential to the satisfactory conduct of all these activities and to the usefulness of the Garden itself, is the Horticultural Building being dedicated today. The cost of design of the structure by the architectural firm of Brodsky, Hopf & Adler was met by a very generous gift from Mrs. Albert D. Lasker. The World's Fair Corporation provided for the supervision of construction. The funds for construction amounting to approximately \$176,000 were authorized by the Board of Estimate as a part of the program of permanent park improvements in connection with the World's Fair, and an additional \$25,000 was also authorized under the same program for furnishings and equipment.

The Horticultural Building is located at Main Street and Dahlia Avenue, Flushing, easily accessible by public transportation, by car and by foot. It will from now on house the executive offices of the Queens Botanical Garden Society and many of its social, educational and recreational activities. It includes a library, assembly-lecture room, committee meeting room, a kitchen, locker and maintenance rooms, rest rooms and other conveniences, as well as offices for the Garden staff.

Conceived as a result of one New York World's Fair and given increased stature and improved facilities as a result of the 1964-1965 World's Fair, the Queens Botanical Garden Society today takes its place with the distinguished company of New York City's great quasi-public cultural institutions, its museums, zoological societies and other botanical gardens. Given the loyal and enthusiastic support of the people of Queens that it deserves, its future will be bright and its services to the Borough and the City invaluable and limitless. 10/18/63.



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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

1-1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that effective immediately, fires are banned in all park areas, particularly at the picnic groves, because of the potential fire hazard due to the excessive dry spell.

This ban will remain in effect until we have sufficient rainfalls to alleviate this dangerous condition.

Our picnic areas and parks will be open for public usage, however, no fires of any kind will be permitted in any area.

Patrons are urgently requested to extinguish lighted cigarettes and cigars before discarding them.

October 17, 1963



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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1963

1-1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces the following changes will be in effect at Willets Point Parking Field starting Friday, October 18, 1963.

Parking east of the stadium will be discontinued to permit repaving of the area.

A new area will be provided west of the stadium for commuter parking.

The parking field presently in use south of Roosevelt Avenue will continue to be available for commuter parking.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1963

1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Hunting in the Long Island area for the 1963-64 season  
has been split into several schedules:

These schedules are as follows:

DUCK HUNTING

OCTOBER 19, 1963

DECEMBER 6, 1963

to

to

NOVEMBER 2, 1963

JANUARY 4, 1964

GEESE AND BRANT HUNTING

OCTOBER 19, 1963

DECEMBER 6, 1963

to

to

NOVEMBER 16, 1963

JANUARY 15, 1964

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.



D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1963

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1-1-1-50M-726102(63) 114

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Wollman Memorial Skating Rink in Central Park and the Kate Wollman Memorial Rink in Prospect Park will be re-opened for ice skating, starting Saturday, October 12, 1963, Columbus Day, at 10 a.m.

Since this is a holiday, there will be the usual free session for children 14 years of age and under, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, and holiday prices will be in effect at the other sessions.

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

The Kate Wollman Memorial Rink in Prospect Park is located on the north shore of Prospect Park Lake near Ocean Avenue, and may be reached from either the Lincoln Road or Parkside Avenue entrances, and provides for dressing rooms, a food concession, and incidental facilities.

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

The attached schedules of sessions and rates for each facility will be in effect.

attachments

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WOLLMAN SKATING RINK

CENTRAL PARK

ICE SKATING SCHEDULE

	<u>10 am. - 1 pm.</u>	<u>2:30 pm. - 5:30 pm.</u>	<u>8:30 - 11 pm.</u>
Mon. thru Fri.	Child - 50¢ (a) Adult - 90¢ (a)	Child - 25¢ Adult - 50¢	Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢
Weekends & Holidays	Child - 50¢ (a) Adult - 75¢ (a)	Child - 50¢ Adult - 75¢	Child - 50¢ Adult - 75¢

SPECIAL SCHEDULE

SPEED:

Mon., Wed., Fri.	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢
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FIGURE & DANCE:

Tues., Thurs.	6:30 - 8:30 p.m. }	Child - \$1.00 (b)
Sat.	7:30 - 8:30 p.m. }	Adult - \$1.00 (b)
	9 am. - 10 am. }	

(a) Free period for children on Saturdays, Holidays, and school vacation. No adults admitted.

(b) With privilege to stay over for following session.

Ice Shoe Skate Rentals - 50¢

1963 - 1964

KATE WOLLMAN MEMORIAL RINK

PROSPECT PARK

ICE SKATING SCHEDULE

	<u>10 am. - 1 pm.</u>	<u>2:30 - 5:30 pm.</u>	<u>8:30 - 11 pm.</u>
Mon. thru Fri.	Child - 50¢ (a) Adult - 50¢ (a)	Child - 25¢ Adult - 50¢	Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢
Weekends & Holidays	Child - 50¢ (a) Adult - 75¢ (a)	Child - 50¢ Adult - 75¢	Child - 50¢ Adult - 75¢

SPECIAL SCHEDULE

SPEED:

Tues., Thurs., & Sat.	6:00 - 7:00 pm.	{ Child - 50¢ Adult - 50¢
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FIGURE & DANCE:

Mon., Wed., Fri.	6:00 - 8:30 pm.	{ Child - \$1.00 (b)
Sun.	9:00 am. - 10 am.	{ Adult - \$1.00 (b)

(a) Free period for children on Saturdays, Holidays, and school vacation. No adults admitted.

(b) With privilege to stay over for following session.

Ice-Shoe Skate Rentals - 50¢

Daily Coin-Operated Lockers available for each session.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE:

IMMEDIATELY

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that Cinderella, star of the Department of Parks Marionette Theatre, is leaving for a ball in Detroit via Northwest-Orient Airline "Pumpkin Flight" No. 215-R out of Idlewild at 12 Noon on Friday, October 4, 1963.

Her new ballgown of 22K gold cloth and her precious jewels are too costly and delicate to permit her to be crated and shipped to Detroit. Instead, she will travel in her air chariot with the Park Puppeteers who are giving four performances of "Cinderella" at the Detroit Institute of Arts on October 5 and October 6 at the special invitation of the Honorable Jerome P. Cavanagh, Mayor of the City of Detroit.

If Cinderella loses her glass slipper in Detroit, we know that a Prince Charming from the west will undoubtedly return it.

Cinderella is not leaving the children of New York City permanently. She will return to perform for the city's school children and will also appear in special shows during Christmas week at the Hunter College Playhouse.

October 2, 1963.

D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S

ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE:

Monday, October 7, 1963

#95

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that its popular, free, Square, Folk, and Round Dance program, under the guidance of Joe and Alice Nash, Park Department dance specialists, will be resumed on Wednesday, October 14th. After a highly successful outdoor season, dancing will once again get underway at various indoor Park Department Recreation Centers, in accordance with the following schedule:

ROUND DANCING -- TUESDAYS, 8:00 to 10:30 P.M., starting October 15, 1963 and continuing through June 11, 1964 at Mullaly Recreation Center, 164th Street and Jerome Avenue, Bronx, near the Yankee Stadium.

SQUARE AND FOLK DANCING -- THURSDAYS, 8:00 to 10:30 P.M., starting October 17, 1963 and continuing through June 20, 1964, at Lost Battalion Hall Recreation Center, 93-29 Queens Boulevard, Rego Park, Queens.

Two special GOLDEN AGE DANCE PROGRAMS are scheduled to start as follows:

MONDAY afternoons, 2:00 to 4:00 P.M, starting October 14, 1963 and continuing through June 17, 1964, at Owen Dolen Golden Age Center, East Tremont Avenue and Westchester Square, Bronx.

FRIDAY afternoons, 2:00 to 4:00 P.M., starting October 18, 1963 and continuing through March 27, 1964 at Jay Hood Wright Golden Age Center, 173rd Street and Fort Washington Avenue, Manhattan.

New Yorkers are urged to take advantage of this very popular dance series. This is a free recreation service offered by your New York City Department of Parks. All are welcome.



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FOR RELEASE: IMMEDIATELY

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that roller skating in the Wollman Memorial Rink in Central Park, Manhattan, and in the Kate Wollman Memorial Rink in Prospect Park, Brooklyn will terminate at the close of business on Wednesday, October 2nd, 1963.

The necessary preparatory work will begin immediately to condition these facilities for ice skating, scheduled to start on Saturday, October 12th, 1963.

October 1, 1963

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE: MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1963

Commissioner Newbold Morris announces that the Department of Parks Marionette Theatre, at the invitation of the Honorable Jerome P. Cavanagh, Mayor of the City of Detroit, will present their production of "Cinderella" at the Detroit Institute of Arts on Saturday, October 5 and Sunday, October 6, giving two performances each day.

The Department of Parks Marionette Theatre was selected to participate in the cultural and recreational program of Detroit because it is considered to be one of the outstanding marionette repertory theatres in the country. All expenses involved in making this appearance will be defrayed by the City of Detroit.

Mrs. Anita P. Reagan, Supervisor of Recreation, will accompany the members of the Marionette Theatre as the representative of the Department of Parks. The Marionette Theatre personnel, consisting of Mr. Ascanio Spolidoro, director, Miss Dorothea Fisher, producer, Mr. Harold Zasler, production manager, and the twelve Park Puppeteers, will leave New York at noon on Friday, October 4, via Northwest Airline from Idlewild.

More than 5,000 pounds of equipment and 52 marionettes will be shipped by express to and from Detroit.

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The Department of Parks Marionette Theatre has been in existence since 1939 when Robert Moses, then park commissioner, suggested that the Recreation Division form a puppet theatre to tour city play-

grounds and give indoor performances for children. Four members of the recreation staff were selected to be trained in puppetry by Ascanio Spolidoro one of the foremost masters of the art in this country. In January of 1940, they undertook their first tour with a simplified version of "Jack and the Beanstalk". The response was so enthusiastic that an outdoor tour was scheduled for the following summer in order to accommodate larger audiences.

Each year since 1940, the presentations have been enhanced artistically, technically, and creatively. Today they are staged with all the care and attention given to Broadway productions. From a few simple puppets used in their early years, the Park Puppeteers have expanded their store of puppets to more than 300 intricate marionettes. All of these have been constructed and costumed by the Park Puppeteers who also have designed, carved, cast or molded, and painted the vast quantity of props and scenery required for the productions. Special amplification and lighting systems have been devised for both the indoor and outdoor stages. A library of musical recordings and sound effects has been made or purchased for the many plays in the repertoire.

Departmental carpenters and electricians helped to design and construct the stages used for the indoor and outdoor performances. The indoor stage has a proscenium opening of 12 feet and the overall dimensions are 14 feet high, 36 feet wide, and 20 feet deep. The outdoor stage is constructed on a 1- $\frac{1}{2}$  ton cab-over-engine truck chassis.

The Park Puppeteers make two tours each year, performing in schools, museums, and recreation centers during the Fall and Winter and in park areas during the Spring and Summer. About 500,000 children and their guardians see the performances each year.

Currently, their repertoire consists of ten plays, including

adaptations of fairy tales (Cinderella, Jack and the Beanstalk, Pinocchio, Hansel and Gretel, and Alice in Wonderland) and Happy the Humbug, an original script written especially for the Park Puppeteers.

The headquarters and workshop of the Park Puppeteers is the Swedish Cottage in Central Park. The cottage was part of Sweden's educational exhibit at the 1876 Centennial Exposition at Philadelphia. It was purchased at the close of the exposition by the City of New York for the sum of \$1,500 and erected in 1877 at the present site adjacent to the Shakespeare Garden. Through the years the cottage was used for various purposes: outing space for crippled children, headquarters for the Park Department's gardening program for children, headquarters for the Manhattan parks recreation division, and in 1947 it was turned over to the Park Puppeteers. Much special equipment has been installed in the Swedish Cottage to aid the Park Puppeteers in preparing their entertainments for children.

The traditions of the Marionette Theatre are foremost in the minds of the Park Puppeteers. They endeavor to bring to children cultural and educational entertainment on a professional level through the careful selection of script and music, the artistic use of lighting and unusual stage effects, and beautifully designed and costumed puppets.

For many children these marionette performances are their first "live theatre" experience. Through them they are made aware of their obligations as a theatre audience and they learn to be receptive to the many stimuli which the theatre in all its forms has to offer.

The Park Puppeteers perform educational services by demonstrating and lecturing to teachers, scout leaders, and visiting puppeteers and by scheduling "open house" days for children's groups whenever

their schedule permits. The visitors are shown how puppets are constructed, costumed, and wigged; how scenery and props are designed, built, and painted. They are then taken on a tour of the cottage which includes a demonstration of puppeteering on the rehearsal stage. Finally they are shown the various methods of constructing simple puppets.

The Department of Parks Marionette Theatre has a special place in the recreation program. Ever since its inception, parents, educators, and others concerned with child guidance and education have acclaimed it as exceptionally fine entertainment for children.

FOR RELEASE:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1963

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that entry blanks are available at all Park Department playgrounds for the 1963 "Punt, Pass and Kick" Contest. This nation-wide competition for boys from 7 through 11 years of age is being sponsored by Ford Motors in cooperation with the National Football League. Last year's competition attracted nearly 432,000 boys throughout the United States.

Boys in the metropolitan area will compete in 4 age groups at any of the 14 New York City Park Department fields selected. The contests will be held on Saturday, October 12th, at 11 A.M. In the event of rain the activity will take place the following Saturday, October 19th at 11 A.M.

Following is a list of the locations designated for the competition:

MANHATTAN

JAY HOOD WRIGHT PARK - 174th Street & Ft. Washington Ave.  
COLEMAN OVAL - Cherry, Pike, and Monroe Streets  
CENTRAL PARK, HECKSCHER - 64th Street

BROOKLYN

MC CARREN PARK - Lorimer Street & Driggs Avenue.  
MARINE PARK - Fillmore Avenue & Stuart Street  
BETSY HEAD - Hopkinson Avenue & Dumont Avenue  
COLONIAL & 83RD - Colonial Road & 83rd Street

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QUEENS

VICTORY FIELD - Myrtle Avenue & Woodhaven Blvd.  
ASTORIA PARK - Shore Avenue & Hoyt Avenue  
LIBERTY PARK - Liberty Avenue & 173rd Street

BRONX

WILLIAMSBRIDGE OVAL - Bainbridge Avenue & East 208th St.  
ST. MARY'S PARK - Trinity Avenue & St. Mary's Street  
Noble Avenue & East 177th Street Playground

RICHMOND

GREAT KILLS PARK - Hylan Blvd. & Keegan Lane

Entrants will compete only within their age groups, 8 to 9, 9 to 10, 10 to 11, 11 to 12th birthday. The contestant's competing category will be based upon his age as of December 29, 1963.

Each boy will compete, on an individual basis, in three categories - punting, passing, and place-kicking. This will take place on specially marked fields. Judges will score one point for each foot of distance the ball travels on the fly, minus one point for each foot the ball lands to the right or left of a center line. A total of the points scored in all three categories will determine the final winner. No special footgear may be worn for the contest, only ordinary street shoes or sneakers. Football and kicking "tees" will be provided at each location.

Local prizes include National Football League warm-up jackets, specially constructed football helmets and autographed footballs.

Regional winners will be determined by a comparison of local first place winners' scores. All-expense trips to National Football League games with the winner's father, trophies and autographed footballs are some of the awards planned for regional and national winners.

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FOR RELEASE:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1963

Newbold Morris, Commissioner, announces that, for the second year, the New York City Department of Parks is offering a free service to employees of public and private youth-serving agencies in New York City.

The services of Joe and Alice Nash, Park Department Dance Specialists, will be made available in a Fall series on the "Techniques of Dance Instruction" and the presentation of Folk, Square and Round Dancing.

The instruction sessions are planned for 10 consecutive Wednesday afternoons from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M., starting on October 16, 1963, and will be held at the Brooklyn War Memorial, Cadman Plaza and Orange Street in downtown Brooklyn.

The series will be presented as a free Park Department Recreation Service to members of qualified organizations. It will be limited to 25 members. For registration and further information, call or write to:

Director of Recreation  
Arsenal Building  
64th Street and 5th Avenue  
New York 21, New York  
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FOR RELEASE:

Wednesday, September 25, 1963

REMARKS BY

THE HON. NEWBOLD MORRIS  
COMMISSIONER OF PARKS OF  
THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
at the  
DINNER MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN SECTION  
of the  
NEW YORK STATE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ASSOCIATION  
Tuesday, September 24, 1963  
at 6 P.M.  
Lundy's Restaurant  
Sheepshead Bay

It is always a pleasure for a Park Commissioner to talk to the people who play a key role in making the maximum use of parks possible. Large scale recreational facilities in this day and age generally are built near or around inland lakes and rivers, adjacent to the ocean, or, as is the case here in New York City, along the shores of tidal estuaries. Consequently, the problem of water pollution is a dominant factor in the economics and design of such parks and bathing areas.

Bill O'Leary tells me that the group here assembled represents the "cream of the crop" in the sanitary engineering profession in this part of the country and is made up of the key sanitary engineers of the City of New York and of the various firms of Consulting Engineers who are assisting the City in designing the water pollution control projects currently being planned and built.

I must confess that when I first succeeded Mr. Moses as

Parks Commissioner I was not aware of the magnitude of problems involved in this program. However, it was not long before the facts of life were made known in this regard. The close inter-relation of parks and waste water pollution control are now quite clear to me and like my predecessor I preach the doctrine of clean waters whenever and wherever I can.

The Jamaica Bay program is really something to "crow about" assuming, of course, that we can ever get it completed. Here we have one of the finest recreational areas in the metropolitan area, if not in the country. The Bay is surrounded by a tributary population presently estimated at about 1,600,000 people, and ultimately over 2,000,000 people. Their waste water discharges into the Bay after treatment. I understand you call this basic treatment of dry weather flow. When it rains the sewerage systems, being a "hodge-podge" of combined sewers, sanitary sewers and storm sewers, some interconnected with sanitary sewers by overflow devices, discharge a mixture of raw sewerage and storm water into Thurston Basin, Bergen Basin, Spring Creek, Hendrix Canal and Paerdegat on the north shore, and along the Rockaway shore the discharges issue from practically all the existing sewer outlets from the Nassau line to Breezy Point. We also have continuous discharges of sewage in both dry and wet weather along Cross Bay Boulevard, particularly in the Broad Channel area.

The Greeley and Hansen Report on the Elimination of Marginal Pollution in Jamaica Bay, submitted in March of 1959, proposed a program of remedial measures which was estimated to cost some \$40,000,000 based on an Engineering-News Index of 800. Also required, according to the report is the construction of storm and sanitary sewers around Hawtree Basin, Shellbank Basin,

Broad Channel and Mill Basin. Separate storm drains are recommended where presently extensive areas, such as Jamaica, are presently drained by sanitary sewers only. Finally, the Rockaways must have a separate system of storm drains to permit the elimination of about 35 existing combined sewer outlets. The cost of the Rockaway storm sewers is now roughly estimated at about \$20,000,000. This cost does not include certain large sewer projects, such as the \$6,000,000 sewer from the old "Genesee Street Canal" to the Spring Creek Storm Water Plant nor the storm sewers in the Jamaica area.

These figures are given to me by the Director of Water of Water Pollution Control of Public Works, who has a penchant for tossing figures in the hundreds of millions around. I recollect that he always distresses the members of the City Planning Commission at the annual presentation of the Capital Budget when he gives the cost of the pollution control program. Now that the City's sewers are under his wing he is now talking in the billions.

Be that as it may, the question naturally arises as to the justification for the cost of maintaining Jamaica Bay and its shoreline free of waste water pollution. I cite Jamaica Bay because it is a precious heritage, a natural refuge for migratory birds. Bear in mind that we now have, or shortly will have, a section of Breezy Point added to our park preserves. We must also consider that Coney Island must be preserved and improved for the use of the City's population. Where else can our low and middle income people go on a hot summer day for recreation? On a per capita basis the capital cost of the whole Jamaica Bay

program from the early 30's to final completion will probably not exceed \$20 or per family say \$65. Can you build a back yard swimming pool for this? You certainly can't fish in the back yard nor run a boat around. We in the Parks business think that the cost of preserving Jamaica Bay is cheap at twice the price. If the people have sufficient pride in their tide waters, they will agree to paying for this service, and bonds to finance it can be issued outside the debt limit.

Let me remind you that we in Parks are aware of and appreciate your efforts to clean up the waters around the Metropolitan area. I recollect that some years ago it was proposed to have another study made of the City's Plan for Sewage Disposal. I took a dim view of this and opposed it. We have had enough studies. What we need is action and I think we will get it.

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FOR RELEASE:

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NEWBOLD MORRIS, Commissioner of Parks, announces the opening of a battery of ten new tennis courts in Riverside Park at West 119th Street in Manhattan on Saturday, September 21, 1963 at 8 A.M.

Funds for the construction of these tennis courts were provided by Columbia University.

Under an agreement with Columbia University, the courts will be available for use by the public exclusively from May 31st to September 30th and on Saturdays, Sundays, and school holidays during the school term. The University will have use of the courts on weekdays only from October 1st to May 30th.

While the contract for the finished surfacing of the courts has not been completed, the decision to open the facility at this time was made because of the limited time remaining in the season for this activity.

Resurfacing of the courts with a finish coat will be completed in the Spring of 1964.

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

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FOR RELEASE

Thursday, September 19, 1963

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NEWBOLD MORRIS, Commissioner of Parks, announces that Fannie Hurst, famous authoress, will be featured at the story telling hour at the Hans Christian Andersen Memorial on Saturday, September 21, 1963 at 11 A.M.

This program is for children in the 7 to 11 year age group.

Baroness Alma Von Dahlerup of the Danish American Women's Association, who in the past has provided professional story tellers, has arranged for the services of Fannie Hurst on this occasion.

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

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FOR RELEASE

Friday, September 13, 1963

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NEWBOLD MORRIS, Commissioner of Parks, announces that a fishing contest will be held at Steeplechase Pier, Coney Island, beginning Monday, September 16 and concluding Sunday, September 22 between the hours of 3 P.M. and 8 P.M., rain or shine. Awards will be presented at special ceremonies to be held at 3 P.M. on Sunday, September 22.

Competition will be conducted in four divisions:

Junior Boys -- 15 yrs of age and under

" Girls -- " " "

Senior Men -- Over 16 yrs of age

" Women -- " " " "

Final day for Junior Division competition is Saturday, September 21; no seniors permitted to fish. Senior competition will terminate Sunday, September 22; no juniors permitted to fish.

Contestants must furnish their own equipment and bait and must catch and land their fish without assistance. All fishing must be done within the contest area on the Pier. N.Y. State Fish and Game Laws must be observed. Skates will not be eligible for special prizes in the Senior Division but will be eligible for a special prize in the Junior Division.

Awards will be presented as follows:

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Daily Prizes

One each to the Junior and Senior contestants who catch the heaviest fish of the day.

Grand Prizes

To contestants in each of the four divisions who catch the heaviest and second heaviest fish during the week's competition.

Special Prizes

For most fish caught by a Junior during the week.

For most fish caught by a Senior during the week.

For heaviest skate caught by a Junior during the week.

Entry blanks may be secured and filed at the Steeplechase Pier located at West 17th Street in Coney Island, or may be secured from the Brooklyn Borough Office, Prospect Park, at Prospect Park West and 5th Street.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS announces that a series of Top Spinning Contests will commence in 400 Park Department playgrounds on Saturday, September 21, 1963, at 11 A.M.

The competition is open to all boys and girls who will not have reached their sixteenth birthday by October 19, 1963. In every playground the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place Winners will receive jacket emblems and the right to represent their playground in the District Contests to follow.

The Duncan Company, manufacturers of tops and yo-yo's, has provided the awards for the competition and will assist the Park Department recreational staff in conducting and judging the activity. Several handsome trophies will be awarded at each level of the contest, which is being conducted on a nation-wide basis. Top prize for the Metropolitan Winner will include an all-expense paid trip for youngster and one parent to famed Disneyland in California. The National Champion will receive a college scholarship grant.

Eight (8) basic tricks are to be attempted by every entrant with points awarded according to proficiency in performance. In the case of a tie, a special "Target Shoot" trick will be used to select the eventual winner.

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To enter the competition children are advised to visit their local park playground. At each of these areas, beginning on Saturday, September 14th, a one-week practice period will take place during which time Park Department Recreation Leaders will be available for coaching sessions.

Following the opening series in local playgrounds on September 21st, the following schedule will apply:

District Competition -- Saturday, October 5th at 11 A.M.

Borough-wide Competition -- Saturday, October 12th at 11 A.M.

City-wide Championships -- Saturday, October 19th at 11 A.M.

In the event of rain all contests will be held on the following day, same time.

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FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

NEWBOLD MORRIS, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Second Annual Model Sailboat Regatta, sponsored by Rappaport's Toy Bazaar in conjunction with the Department of Parks, will be held on Saturday, September 14, 1963 at 2 P.M. at Conservatory Lake, 72nd Street and Fifth Avenue, in Central Park.

Boys and girls, 17 years of age or under, may enter a sailboat in any of the racing classes, providing that they personally own the boat and sail it themselves.

There will be six Race Events:

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

Handsome trophies will be awarded to the contestants finishing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each of these racing classes.

Entries will be accepted at the location of the regatta until 1:30 P.M. on the day of the event.

In the event of rain, the contest will be held on Saturday, September 21, 1963.

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FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

1-1-1-5014-719182 (82) 447

NEWBOLD MORRIS, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Story-telling and Educational Program at the Children's Zoo will resume Saturday, September 7, 1963 at 11 A.M.

This program includes story-telling, slides, motion pictures, and lectures about animals and animal life.

The general public is invited to attend these sessions Monday through Friday at 3:30 P.M. and on Saturdays at 11:00 A.M.

Special sessions for school groups, by appointment only, are scheduled Monday through Friday at 10:30 A.M. and 1:30 P.M.

The Children's Zoo, located north of the Central Park Zoo, may be reached by the 64th or 67th Street entrances on Fifth Avenue. Admission is ten cents. Adults unaccompanied by children are admitted on Mondays only.

September 6, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

1-1-1-50M-719183 (62) 447

NEWBOLD MORRIS, Commissioner of Parks, announces that two indoor swimming pools located at Clarkson Street and Seventh Avenue and at West 59th Street and Amsterdam Avenue in Manhattan, will be closed starting Monday, September 9, 1963 to permit repair work to the pool filters.

It is expected that work on these contracts will be completed by the end of November.

Sept. 6, 1963



**D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S**  
**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** *480* **REGENT 4-1000**

**FOR RELEASE**

Monday, September 9, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182 (62) 447

NEWBOLD MORRIS, Commissioner of Parks, announces that THE UNITED STATES HANDBALL ASSOCIATION and the New York City Department of Parks will conduct the 5th Annual One-Wall Handball Championships at the Brownsville Recreation Center this fall.

The tournament will start on October 5 at 8:00 A.M. with the single's men's division, to be followed immediately by the women's single's division, and boy's (ages 14-19) division. Doubles competition will commence at 8:00 A.M. on October 12 for the men's division and masters' division. The latter division is open to any doubles team, with one player at a minimum age of 40 and partner at least 45 years of age. Tournament play will continue until October 19 when all single's finals will be played at 12 Noon. On October 20, starting at 12 Noon, the doubles competition will be decided.

An added incentive in the boy's division is the prepaid trip for finalists in the Junior U.S.H.A. Championship in Illinois.

All former champions are expected to re-enter and compete--among whom are the outstanding handball players in the United States in four-wall as well as one-wall competition, such as the Obert Brothers, Ken Davidoff, Vic Hershkowitz, Winfield Ballance, Sheila Maroschick, and Steve Sandler.

Applications are available at the Brownsville Recreation Center, 1555 Linden Blvd., Bklyn. 12, N.Y., through September 30th. Further information may be obtained by calling HY 8-1121. 9/6/63



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IMMEDIATELY

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that two concerts will be given at Steeplechase Pier in Coney Island.

The first concert is scheduled for Wednesday, September 4, 1963, and the second for Friday, September 6, 1963.

Both concerts will begin at 8:30 P.M. and are made possible through the cooperation of the Recording Industries Trust Fund of the American Federation of Musicians, the Mayor's Committee for Living Music, and Local 802 of the Associated Musicians of Greater New York.

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**D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S**  
**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** *4-18* **REGENT 4-1000**

FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

NEWBOLD MORRIS, Commissioner of Parks, announces the closing of 17 outdoor pools located throughout the five boroughs at the end of business on Sunday, September 8th, 1963. During the summer, more than 2,600 youngsters participated in swimming meets in the pools. Many young swimmers had their first try at competitive swimming in these Park Department Meets.

In addition to the swimming events, the annual "Learn To Swim" Campaign" was conducted in each of the 17 pools through July and August. During these months, over 9,000 children participated in the three phases of a "Learn To Swim" course. Beginners, intermediate, and advance courses were conducted. Eleven of the outdoor pools will open as active play centers on Saturday, September 14th with facilities for paddle tennis, shuffleboard, basketball, table tennis, and group games. The pools which will convert to play centers and which will operate free of charge are:

**MANHATTAN:**

HAMILTON FISH POOL - E. Houston  
and Pitt Streets

HIGHGRIDGE POOL - Amsterdam Avenue  
and West 173rd Street

COLONIAL POOL - Bradhurst Avenue  
and 145th Street

THOMAS JEFFERSON POOL - 111th Street  
and First Avenue

**BRONX:**

CROTONA POOL - 173rd Street and  
Fulton Avenue

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BROOKLYN:

SUNSET POOL - 7th Avenue and  
43rd Street

McCarren Pool - Driggs Avenue  
and Lorimer Street

RED HOOK POOL - Clinton Bay and  
Henry Street

BETSY HEAD POOL - Hopkinson and  
Dumont Avenues

QUEENS:

ASTORIA POOL - 19th Street and  
23rd Drive

RICHMOND:

FABER POOL - Richmond Terrace and Faber Street

Approximately 2,000,000 people used our pools this season.

Bathhouse accommodations at Jacob Riis Park; Orchard Beach;  
Manhattan Beach; South Beach and also at Great Kills will close  
for the season at the end of the day's business on Sunday, September  
8th, 1963.

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**D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S**  
**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** *#177* **REGENT 4-1000**

FOR RELEASE

MONDAY Sept. 2, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that as part of the Summer festival Program, social dancing will be scheduled at various park locations throughout the city. This activity which is sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company, features well-known dance bands. Dancing begins at 8:30 P. M. and admission is free. The following Name Bands will play at the locations listed below from Tuesday, September 3rd, to Thursday September 5th. This is the last week of the Name Band Dance activity.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>NAME BAND</u>
Tues. Sept. 3	Victory Field Woodhaven Blvd. and Myrtle Ave., Queens	Stan Rubin and his Orchestra
Wed. Sept. 4	Poe Park 192nd Street and Grand Concourse Bronx	Stan Rubin and his Orchestra
Thurs. Sept. 5	Wollman Memorial, Central Park Manhattan	Stan Rubin and his Orchestra

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
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FOR RELEASE

MONDAY Sept. 2, 1963

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1.000

FOR RELEASE

AUGUST 30, 1963

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1-1-1-50M-719182 (62) 447

Newbold Morris Commissioner of Parks announces that the Naumburg Symphony Orchestra will present Ambroise Thomas' Opera "Mignon" (from the novel by Goethe-"Wilhelm Meister's Travel Years") in concert version arranged by Robert Lawrence, on Monday evening, September 2nd at 8:30 on the Mall in Central Park.

The program is as follows:

Ambroise Thomas' Opera

MIGNON

(from the novel by Goethe  
"Wilhelm Meister's Travel Years")  
in a concert version arranged by  
ROBERT LAWRENCE

THE CAST

Mignon.....Nancy Williams  
Philine.....Lila Gage  
Wilhelm Meister.....Leonard Bilodeau  
Lothario.....Chester Watson

Musical Direction: Mr. Lawrence  
Francis Heilbut, Assistant Conductor

August. 28, 1963



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
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FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that as part of the Summer Festival Program, social dancing is scheduled at various park locations throughout the city. This activity, sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company, features well-known dance bands. Dancing begins at 8:30 P. M. and admission is free. The following Name Bands will play at the locations listed below from Tuesday, August 27th to Friday August 30th.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>NAME BAND DANCE</u>
Tues. Aug. 27	Travers Park 34th Avenue & 77th St. Jackson Heights, Queens	Clyde Reasinger and His Orchestra
Wed. Aug. 28	Poe Park 192nd Street and Grand Concourse Bronx	Clyde Reasinger and His Orchestra
Thurs. Aug. 29	Wollman Memorial, Central Park Manhattan	Tito Puente and His Orchestra
Friday Aug. 30	Prospect Park Dance Area Brooklyn	Roy Stevens and His Orchestra

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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY AUGUST 25, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182 (62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the New York Orchestral Society, Joseph Eger, Conductor will present a concert on the Mall in Central Park on Tuesday August 27, 1963 at 8:30 P. M.

Guest soloists for the occasion will be Miriam Burton, Soprano, and Millard Williams, Baritone.

PROGRAM

Prelude to Die Meistersinger.....Wagner  
Variations on a Theme by Haydn.....Brahms  
Symphonette No. 2.....Gould  
(First New York performance of this version)

INTERMISSION

Fanfare for Freedom.....Eger Adams  
(Based on "We Shall Overcome")  
Porgy and Bess Excerpts.....Gershwin  
Soloists - Miriam Burton-Millard Williams  
Waltzes from Der Rosenkavalier.....Strauss

August. 15, 1963



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**D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S**  
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FOR RELEASE

SATURDAY, AUGUST. 24, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks announces that the Seventh Annual Giuseppe Creators Memorial Concert will be held on the Mall in Central Park on Sunday August 25, 1963 at 8:30 P. M.

Played by the New York Symphonic Band, Frank Colasanto conducting, the presentation will feature original compositions and arrangements of famous composers.

This performance is made possible through a grant by the Recording Industries Trust Fund with the cooperation of Local 802 American Federation of Musicians and the Department of Parks.

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FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY AUGUST 23, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182 (62) 447

Newbold Morris Commissioner of Parks announces that a John Philip Sousa Memorial Concert will be presented on the Mall in Central Park on Friday August 23, 1963 at 8:30 P. M.

Sponsored by the Recording Industries Trust Fund, in cooperation with Local 802 American Federation of Musicians and the Department of Parks, a band of 65 outstanding professional musicians conducted by George F. Briegee will present a program which will include some of Sousas famous music.

The program for the occasion will be as follows:

### PROGRAM

#### Part 1

#### NATIONAL ANTHEM

FAIREST OF THE FAIR - March.....Sousa  
 RAYMOND - Overature.....Thomas  
 OPERATIC MASTERPIECES - Selection.....Safranek  
 TRIBUTE TO SCUSA.....Whitney  
 "UN BEL DI VEDREMO" from Madame Butterfly.....Puccini  
 Miss Helen Greco, soloist  
 L. Mastrobouni, Conductor  
 BETTER TIMES - March.....Bob Effros





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Part 2

LIBERTY BELL - March.....Sousa  
RED MILL - Selection.....Herbert  
THE LOST CHORD .....Sullivan  
ALL-AMERICAN CAMPUS - College Medley.....Warrington  
JEROME KERN SONGS - Selection.....Arr. Leidzen  
PATRIOTIC FANTASY .....Cohan

August. 22, 1963

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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY AUGUST 22, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris Commissioner of Parks announces that the Marine Park Golf Course located on the west side of Flatbush Avenue, north of Shore Parkway, Brooklyn, will be open for public usage on Wednesday August 28, 1963 at 6 A. M.

This new 211 acre, eighteen hole, 71 par facility includes a club house, containing 368 mens lockers, 151 women's lockers, showers, a modern restaurant and snack bar, and a golf shop operated by Gary Clifford, Golf Professional, whose services will be available for instruction.

Marine Park Golf Course is the twelfth in the New York City Park System, the second in Brooklyn, and will help reduce the waiting time for golfers at Dyker Beach in Brooklyn and at other City Golf Courses.

Annual permits cost \$15.00 and may be purchased at any Borough Park Department Office and may be used on any course.

An additional fee of \$.75 per round entitles the permit holder to play on weekdays and an additional charge of \$1.25 per round is made on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. For non-permit holders the daily fee per round from Monday through Friday will be \$1.75 and \$2.25 on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

Daily golf locker permits will be available at the course at the cost of 25¢. Seasonal lockers cost \$5.00 and will be issued at the Brooklyn office of the Park Department at Litchfield Mansion Prospect Park West and 5th Street.

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1-1-1-50M-719182 (62) 447

MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 1963

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that as part of the Summer Festival Program, social dancing will be scheduled at various park locations throughout the city. This activity which is sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company, features well-known dance bands. Dancing begins at 8:30 P. M. and admission is free. The following Name Bands will play at the locations listed below from Tuesday, August 20 to Monday, August 26th.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>NAME BAND DANCE</u>
Tues. Aug. 20	Victory Field Woodhaven Blvd. and Myrtle Ave. Queens	Johnny Long and his Orchestra
Wed. Aug. 21	Poe Park 192nd Street and Grand Concourse Bronx	Johnny Long and his Orchestra
Thurs. Aug. 22	Wollman Memorial, Central Park Manhattan	Johnny Long and his Orchestra
Fri. Aug. 23	Prospect Park Dance Area Brooklyn	Johnny Long and his Orchestra
Mon. Aug. 26	Colonial Park 146th St. and Bradhurst Ave.	Johnny Long and his Orchestra

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1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Third Annual Model Airplane Contest, for U-Control types of model planes, will be conducted by the Association of Model Airplane Clubs of Greater New York, at Randalls Island, on Sunday, August 18th. Flying will begin at 8 A. M. and end at 5 P. M.

The contest will be governed by A. M. A. rules and will be a AAA meet. Three divisions of competitors--Juniors-up to 16, Senior-16 through 20, and Open-21 and under--will vie for over \$500.00 worth of trophies and merchandise. In addition to these prizes, three hi-point trophies will be awarded, one for each category.

The following events will be contested on this day:

1. United States Carrier Event
2. Combat
3. Flying Scale
4. Precision acrobatics
5. Speed
6. International rocketry

Spectators will be admitted free of charge.

August. 12, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

August 15, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the new bicycle track at Kissena Park, located at 164 Street and North Hempstead Turnpike, Queens, will be the scene of the National Sub-Junior Championships on Saturday, August 17th, at 1 P. M.

Earlier in the day, between the hours of 7:30 A. M. and 12 noon, Club Races will be held. Among the Clubs participating, are included the German Bicycle Sports Club, The Acme Wheelman, The Unione Sportiva Italiana, the Century Road Club of America, The French Sporting Club and the Century Road Club Association.

Each Thursday and Friday night during August the Eastern Cycling Federation Twi-Light Races are conducted at 6:30 P. M. The events scheduled for Thursdays are for Class "A" and "B" Seniors, Men and Women. On Fridays, the events are open to Novices, Juniors and Class "C" riders. Prizes will be distributed at the end of the series.

Races are conducted on Tuesday nights for children, ages from 8 to 13 years, at 7 P. M.

Spectators are admitted free of charge.

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FOR RELEASE

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1963

#660

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that entries are being accepted for the 17th Annual Junior Olympic Sports Festival to be conducted by the Department of Parks at 1:30 P.M. on Saturday, September 7th, at Downing Stadium, Randalls Island.

53 events are scheduled to be contested 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 A.A.U.
4. Track and Field events for athletes(female) registered with A.A.U.
4. Gymnastic events for athletes(male) registered with A.A.U.
7. Invitation weight-lifting events.
6. Invitation boxing events.
6. Invitation wrestling events.

Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Park Department playgrounds and borough offices. Entries close August 28.

August 8, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182 (62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the city-wide finals of the 22nd annual Harvest Dance Contest will be held at the Mall in Central Park on Thursday, August 15, 1963 at 8:30 P.M. In the event inclement weather makes postponement necessary, it will be held Thursday, August 22nd, same time and place.

Competing in the finals will be dance couples who finished first, second, or third in preliminary contests held in the five boroughs during the past two weeks. They will compete in the Fox Trot, Waltz, Cha-Cha-Cha, and Jitterbug. The winning couple in each division will be eligible to compete for the All'Round Championship which follows immediately after the Judges complete their scoring of all four dance divisions.

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

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

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

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TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 1963

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the four lion cubs, three male and one female, which were born at the Zoo in Prospect Park, Brooklyn on Sunday, August 4, 1963, will make their public debut on Wednesday, August 14, 1963 at 10 A. M.

The parents of these offspring are three years old and were purchased from the Fairlawn Zoo in New Jersey, arriving at the Zoo on October 30, 1962.

Cleopatra, the mother, weighs 300 lbs. and, Buster, the sire weighs 400 lbs. The cubs weigh approximately  $1\frac{1}{2}$  lbs. each.

It has been 15 years since lion cubs were born at the Prospect Park Zoo.

N. B. Press photos may be taken between the hours of 9 A. M. and 10 A. M. on August 14th.

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1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 1963

#63

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that as part of the Summer Festival Program, social dancing will be scheduled at various park locations throughout the city. This activity which is sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company, features well-known dance bands. Dancing begins at 8:30 P.M. and admission is free. The following Name Bands will play at the locations listed below from Tuesday, August 13th to Monday, August 19th.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>NAME BAND</u>
Tues. Aug. 13	Travers Park 34th Ave. & 77th St. Jackson Hgts., Queens	Henry Jerome and His Orchestra
Wed. Aug. 14	Poe Park 192nd St. and Grand Concourse, Bronx	Henry Jerome and His Orchestra
Thurs. Aug. 15	Mall, Central Park, Manhattan	Henry Jerome and His Orchestra
Fri. Aug. 16	Prospect Park Dance Area, Brooklyn	Henry Jerome and His Orchestra
Mon. Aug. 19	South Beach Promenade of South Beach foot of Iroquois St., Richmond	Tito Rodriguez and His Orchestra
Mon. Aug. 19	Colonial Park 146th and Bradhurst Ave., Manhattan	Macbeth and His Orchestra

August 8, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

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IMMEDIATELY

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that a Bicycle Safety Program will be conducted at the new Kissena Bicycle Track, located at Kissena Park, 164th St. and North Hempstead Boulevard, Flushing.

The recreation staff will be conducting a daily instruction period Monday through Friday, from 1:P.M. until 5 P.M., starting on Monday, August 12, 1963 and ending on Friday, August 30th.

Included in the program will be fundamentals of bicycle riding, safety tests and bicycle care and repair. All participants will be required to pass tests.

Registration for the program will be held on Monday, August 12, at 11:30 A.M. at the Bicycle Track.

Boys and girls from the ages of 10 through 16 years are invited to participate.

August 9, 1963



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that playground eliminations in the 3rd annual Hopscotch Contest, which began on Aug. 5th, have been completed.

District competitions in which playground winners are eligible to compete, will begin Mon., Aug. 12th and will continue through Thurs., Aug. 15th at 29 park locations, in the five boroughs. Winners and runners-up will be awarded gold and silver plaques respectively.

Competition in the Hopscotch Contest will terminate with borough championships to be conducted on Thurs., Aug. 22nd at the following locations and times:

<u>BOROUGH</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TIME</u>
Manhattan	Mall, Central Park, 72nd St. and Center Drive	9:00 A.M.
Brooklyn	St. John's Playground, Prospect Place and Troy Avenue	11:00 A.M.
Bronx	Mullaly Playground, E. 164th St. and Jerome Avenue	11:00 A.M.
Queens	Playground at Sanford Ave. bet. Union and Browne Streets, Flushing	2:00 P.M.
Richmond	Cromwell Recreation Center, Murry Hurlbert Ave. & Hannah St., Tompkinsville	10:30 A.M.

Borough champions will receive flash cameras and runners-up will be awarded pen and pencil sets.

Boys up to 12 years of age and girls up to 13 years have participated in the competition which is part of the Park Department's summer recreation program for children.

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FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 1963 *#60*

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the schedule of Name Band Dances, sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company, will feature Woody Herman and his well-known band on August 8th at Wollman Rink, Central Park.

Woody Herman is one of the most popular bandleaders in the music business. He has been playing clarinet professionally for over 30 years, and also performs as a singer and alto saxaphonist. His latest band which has been voted tops in the country by the readers of Metronome Magazine features 17 instrumentalists and a girl vocalist. It has been praised by Time, Parade and other magazines as "the Band that brought back dancing".

Woody Herman and his orchestra have just returned from a series of successful engagements on the Pacific Coast and are also scheduled to perform at Freedomland.

August 5, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 1963

1-1-1-50M-718182 (82) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces the start of the fifth Annual Junior Fishing Contest, on Tuesday, August 6th, at 11 A.M. at the 72nd Street Lake in Central Park.

The competition which will carry over a 16 day period is open to all boys and girls 6 through 15 years of age. More than fifty prizes have been provided by the New York Lodge #1 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, who sponsor this wholesome activity each summer in cooperation with the New York City Park Department. Special prizes of fishing kits, tackle and accessories will be awarded for the heaviest fish landed, the longest fish, the greatest number caught and the greatest aggregate length during the entire contest. Special awards will also be given on Opening Day, and on Invitation Day, August 14th at which time Settlement House groups, Y's, Day Camps, Vacation playground registrants and other social agencies are invited to participate in a day-long fishing program.

More than 150 Junior Anglers have registered during the preliminary signing-up period with an anticipated 200 additional contestants expected prior to the opening gun. The competition will continue daily, including Sundays, from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., concluding on Wed., August 21, at 3:00 P.M. To be eligible to take part every youngster must have a Registration Card, obtainable free of charge, at the Official's Table located at the southwest corner of the lake. He must furnish his own equipment and bait, and is required to bait his hook and land his fish without assistance.

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FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 1963

#23

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that as part of the New York Summer Festival, social dancing will be scheduled at various park locations throughout the city. This activity which is sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company, features well-known dance bands. Dancing begins at 8:30 P.M. and admission is free. The following Name Bands will play at the locations listed below from Monday, August 5th to Friday, August 9th.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>NAME BAND</u>
Mon. Aug. 5	South Beach, Promenade of South Beach foot of Iroquois Street, Richmond	Pat Dorn and his Orchestra
Mon. Aug. 5	Colonial Park, 146th St. & Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan	Carl Holmes Commanders
Tues. Aug. 6	Victory Field, Myrtle Ave. and Woodhaven Blvd., Glendale, Queens	Bruce Stevens and his Orchestra
Wed. Aug. 7	Poe Park, 192nd St. & Grand Concourse, Bronx	Bruce Stevens and his Orchestra
Thurs. Aug. 8	Wollman Memorial Central Park, Manhattan	Woody Herman and his Orchestra
Fri. Aug. 9	Prospect Park Dance Area, Brooklyn	Clyde Reisinger and his Orchestra

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the work in connection with the paving of the parking field adjacent to the Kate Wollman Rink in Prospect Park, Brooklyn, will start on Thursday, August 1, 1963.

The parking field will be closed to the public while work is in progress.

It is expected that this contract will be completed by October.

July 31, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 1963 #50

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that golfers at New York City's eleven municipal golf courses may file their entries for the 13th Annual Blind Bogey Tournament and Hole in One Contest which will be conducted by the Department of Parks under the sponsorship of the F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Company, beginning Sunday, August 25th. 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 Friday, August 16th, 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.

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.

HOLE IN ONE CONTEST-Prizes will also be awarded for a hole in one competition at each course. The golfer nearest to the cup at the designated hole will receive a prize.

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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, JULY 31, 1963

#55

1-1-1-50M-719182 (62) 447

Commissioner Newbold Morris announces that copies of the 1963 edition of the Department of Parks Dance-Music-Drama brochure are exhausted. To meet the continuing demand for information about these special events in the parks, the department will make available multilith copies of the schedule for the balance of the season.

The Dance-Music-Drama brochure, which lists more that 600 special summer events in the New York City parks, was originally intended for distribution to news media as an aid in publicizing park recreation programs, to public and private information bureaus, to service organizations, and to business concerns having large employee groups. Despite this wide distribution, there has been a great demand from the public for this seasonal listing of park events.

This demand reflects the constantly increasing interest in cultural park programs. Although greater numbers of concerts, operatic performances, drama, and other special events have been provided in recent years, increased attendance at them is not due solely to greater availability of programs.

Seasonal attendance at these events has been increased by the greater variety of programs offered during the season and by scheduling events in local communities rather than only in the larger parks.

Enjoyment of one form of entertainment generates interest in other programs provided for the public. Park patrons who attend

symphony orchestra concerts return on following evenings to hear band concerts, Shakespeare audiences at the Delacorte Theatre in Central Park are attracted to dance programs also offered at the outdoor theatre, and young people who attend the Name Band dances in the five boroughs find their summer pleasure increased by the many evenings of square dances scheduled in the parks.

Funds for these special events which make summer more enjoyable for both residents and visitors to the City are not available from the Park Department budget. They have been made possible by numerous public-spirited individuals and organizations who generously contribute funds, talents, time, and effort to make summer in New York stimulating, interesting, and entertaining.

July 29, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, JULY 30, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(82) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that youngsters from six through fifteen years of age are invited to register now for the Fifth Annual Fishing Contest which begins on Tuesday, August 6th, at 11 A.M.

This event, which has such appeal to youth, will be held again at the 72nd Street Lake in Central Park. A park Department Recreation Leader, who is at the site of the contest daily, will register all contestants and issue "Junior Fisherman" registration cards in preparation for the opening day activities.

The Junior Fishing Contest will again be sponsored by the New York Lodge #1, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Fishing will continue daily from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M., terminating on Wednesday, August 21st, when the major awards will be presented.

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 daily, or by writing to the Manhattan Recreation Office, Arsenal Building, 64th Street and Fifth Ave., New York 21, N.Y. Each competitor will receive a free Official Contest Registration Card when he appears at the Lake. This will make him eligible for any of the scores of prizes. 7/26



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FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, JULY 29, 1963

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1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

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 Wednesday evening, July 31, at 8:30 P.M. Robert Irving will conduct and Ruth Posselt, Violinist, will appear as guest soloist.

PROGRAM

"THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER"

Funeral Music from Pelleas and Melisande.....Gabriel Faure  
(In memory of ELKAN NAUMBURG, Founder of the Concerts)

1. Overture - The Merry Wives of Windsor.....Otto Nicolai
2. Petite Suite.....Claude Achille Debussy  
En Bateau - Cortège - Minuet - Ballet
3. Violin Concerto in G minor, Op. 26.....Max Bruch  
Prelude - Adagio - Finale

RUTH POSSELT

INTERMISSION

4. Village Festival, from Second Suite(Indian).....  
Edward Alexander MacDowell
5. Tango Espagnole.....E. Fernandez Arbos

RUTH POSSELT

6. Symphony No. 5, in B flat major.....Franz Schubert

"AMERICA"

July 26, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, JULY 25, 1963

#52

1-1-1-SOM-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that Borough Championships in the 22nd Annual Harvest Dance Contest to be conducted by the Department of Parks, will be held as follows:

QUEENS Tuesday, July 30	TRAVERS PARK 34th Ave. & 77th St., Jackson Heights
BRONX Wednesday, July 31	POE PARK 192nd Street and Grand Concourse
MANHATTAN Thursday, August 1	WOLLMAN MEMORIAL, CENTRAL PARK opp. 64th St. and 5th Avenue
BROOKLYN Friday, August 2	PROSPECT PARK DANCE AREA Prospect Park West & 11th Street
RICHMOND Monday, August 5	SOUTH BEACH Board Walk-Midland Beach Bath House Area

All contests begin at 8:30 P.M.

Competitions will be conducted in four dance divisions: Fox Trot, Waltz, Cha-Cha, and Jitterbug. Contestants placing first, second and third in each division will be eligible to compete in the City Championships to be held on the Mall in Central Park on Thursday, August 15th at 8:30 P.M.

Entry blanks may be obtained from the Supervisor of Recreation at the borough office of the borough in which the team will compete:

MANHATTAN-Arsenal, Central Park, 64th St. & 5th Ave., N.Y. 21  
BROOKLYN-Litchfield Mansion, Prospect Park West and 5th Ave., B'klyn  
BRONX-Administration Bldg., Bronx Park East & Birchall Ave., Bronx 62  
QUEENS-The Overlook, Union Tnkp. & Park Lane, Kew Gardens 15, N.Y.  
RICHMOND-Clove Lakes Park, Clove Rd. & Victory Blvd., Staten Island 1

The public is invited to attend all events and there is no admission charge.

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Commissioner Newbold Morris announces that another non-skid, soft Surfacing material is being evaluated by the Department of Parks as a safety cushion beneath exercise equipment in the Central Park Playground at West 96th Street.

The dark green "Tartan" brand covering was installed Thursday, July 18th in the small children's play area. Technicians of the 3M Company, makers of the material, and park personnel co-operated in surfacing an 18 by 30 foot area under swings and a 15 by 20 foot area under slides. In addition, one wooden swing has been completely encapsulated in this material.

This new material,  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch thick, is permanently bonded to an asphalt sub-surface in one piece. Wet or dry, it remains non-skid and provides uniform resiliency regardless of temperature, according to the 3M Company. Except for thickness and color, this material is identical to the surfacing now used at several universities for athletic running tracks.

This is the sixth park area where safety surfacing materials are being tested for possible use in future playground installations.

July 19, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, JULY 23, 1963

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Commissioner Newbold Morris announces that New York Summer Festival Hostess Nanette Fabray will make a guest appearance as story-teller on Friday, July 26 at the Hans Christen Andersen Memorial in Central Park, west side of Conservatory Lake, opposite 72nd Street and Fifth Avenue.

Free story-telling hours are among the hundreds of special events for children sponsored by the Department of Parks. Miss Fabray's talents will make Friday's hour specially entertaining for children and their guardians.

Regular story-telling hours at the Hans Christian Andersen Memorial are on Wednesday and Saturday mornings at 11:00 A.M.

July 23, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, JULY 16, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182 (62) 447

Commissioner Newbold Morris announces that the third of the Seuffert Band Noon Day Concerts will be held in Madison Square Park, 5th Ave. and 23rd St., Wednesday, July 17th from 12 noon to 1:45 P.M. The concerts are sponsored by the Bank for Savings. A group of request selections and a musical tribute to that late great American "March King" John Phillip Sousa will be played.

PROGRAM

SALUTATION....."The Star Spangled Banner"

1. "Guadalcanal March".....Richard Rogers
2. Overture-"Morning, Noon and Night in Vienna".....von Suppe
3. "The Carnival of Venice"(Theme and Variation"..Clarke-Leona May Smith

Leona May Smith, Trumpet Soloist

4. Excerpts-"Oklahoma".....Richard Rogers
5. March-"The Astronauts".....(New).....Carmine Coppola
6. Overture-"The Fortune Teller".....Victor Herbert
7. Excerpts from the Sound Track of "Exodus"....Ernest Gold
8. "The Irish Washerwoman" from the "Irish Suite"...Leroy Anderson
9. Selection-"My Fair Lady".....Frederick Loewe

10. A MUSICAL TRIBUTE TO  
JOHN PHILIP SOUSA

"The Red Man" from the Suite "Dwellers in the Western World"

"Semper Fidelis"

"The Invincible Eagle"



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and the immortal  
"The Stars and Stripes Forever"

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FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, JULY 16, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182 (63) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks announces that social dancing will be scheduled at various park locations throughout the city. This activity which is sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company, features well-known dance bands. Dancing begins at 8:30 P.M. and admission is free. The following Name Bands will play at the locations listed below from Tuesday, July 9th to Monday July 15th.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>NAME BAND</u>
Tuesday July 16th	Travers Park 34th Ave. & 77th Street Jackson Hgts., Queens	Tito Rodriguez and his Orchestra
Wednesday July 17th	Poe Park, 192nd Street & Grand Concourse, Bronx	Pat Dorn and his Orchestra
Thursday July 18th	Wollman Memorial Central Park, Manhattan	Tito Rodriguez and his Orchestra
Friday July 19th	Prospect Park Dance Area, Brooklyn	Clyde Reasinger and his Orchestra
Monday July 22nd	South Beach Promenade of South Beach foot of Iroquois Street, Richmond	Tito Rodriguez and his Orchestra

July 15, 1963



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**D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S**  
**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** **REGENT 4-1000**

**FOR RELEASE**

FRIDAY, JULY 12, 1963

1-1-1-5014-719182(62) 447

Commissioner Newbold Morris announces the scheduling of a Friday evening series of square and folk dances at Riverside Park and 105th Street beginning July 19th and continuing through August 16th, from 8:00 P.M. to 10:30 P.M.

The dances will be conducted by members of the Recreation Division of the Park Department. Joe and Alice Nash will do the calling and the "Promenaders", a group of Recreation Leaders will demonstrate the dances and will help to instruct the participants by joining groups on the dance area.

The first half-hour of each evening will be devoted to a special program for pre-teenaged children. The final two hours will feature Square, Round, and Folk dances for adults and teenagers.

Admission is free and all are invited to attend.

July 11, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, JULY 12, 1963

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1-1-1--50M-719182 (62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announced today that construction of Shea Stadium in Flushing Meadow Park, Queens, will not be completed in time to permit usage for baseball by the New York Mets, or by the New York Jets for football this year.

The General Contractor for the project experienced unforeseen problems such as: bankruptcy on the part of the railing subcontractor; default by the original subcontractor for the precasting of the concrete tier units; a second subcontractor for the same job was confronted with labor problems; several jurisdictional work stoppages; a severe cold winter which further delayed construction.

The revised construction schedule provides for the completion of the stadium by the end of 1963.

July 11, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that John Eger, Musical Director of the New York Orchestral Society, will conduct two concerts at Park locations on Saturday, July 20th, at the East River Amphitheatre, East River Drive and Colears St., and, on Monday, July 22nd, at Riverside Drive and 73rd St. Both concerts will begin at 8:15 P.M.

PROGRAM

"La Gazza Ladra".....Rossini

"Serenade in D".....Brahms

Soloist - Rhea Jackson, Soprano

in

Aria from "La Boheme".....Puccini

"I Feel Pretty".....Leonard Bernstein  
(From "West Side Story")

"Summertime".....Gershwin  
(From "Porgy and Bess")

INTERMISSION

"Trumpet Concerto".....Haydn  
Featuring Michael Schumann

"Capriccio Italiene".....Rimsky-Korsakoff

The above program will take place at both concerts. The New York Orchestral Society has been appearing at various Park locations this season. There is no admission charge and the public is cordially invited to attend.

July 19, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

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1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks announces that the construction of storm sewers in the Bronx by the Department of Public Works will necessitate the closing of the Park Department playground located at Bradley Avenue and Bronx Park East on July 22, 1963. Three of the six tennis courts in the same area will also be taken out of service on the same date.

The facilities will be closed during construction work on the sewer for a period of six months.

July 18, 1963



**D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S**  
**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** **REGENT 4-1000**

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the summer series of Square and Folk Dances in city parks which began on June 18th will continue at the following park locations every week.

MONDAYS - Beginning June 24th to Sept. 23rd - 8 to 10:30 P.M. Poe Park - 192 St. & Grand Concourse, Bronx

TUESDAYS - Beginning June 18th to Sept. 24th - 8 to 10:30 P.M. Wollman Memorial - 64th St. West of 5th Ave., Manhattan

THURSDAYS - Beginning June 27th to Sept. 26th - 8 to 10:30 P.M. Cunningham Park - 196th St. & Union Turnpike, Queens

The program will start at 8:00 P.M. and continue until 10:30 P.M. featuring Square, Round and Folk Dancing for adults and older teen-agers. The dances will be conducted by the Park Department dance team of Joe and Alice Nash, aided by the "Promenaders", a specially trained group of Park Department Recreation Leaders who will assist in demonstrating and teaching the dances to the public.

At each of these dances a special program for pre-teen youngsters will be the order from 8:00 to 8:30 P.M.

The dance series at all these locations is scheduled to continue throughout the summer, and will contribute greatly to the recreational and dancing opportunities to residents of New York City and to visitors during the summer season.

Admission is free. All are invited to attend. 7/1/63



**D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S**  
**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** **REGENT 4-1000**

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the children's story-telling hour at the Hans Christian Andersen Memorial will be held on Saturday, June 29, 1963, 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 occasion secured the services of Olea Aanrud, recitalist and singer. Miss Aanrud will tell a Hans Christian Andersen story, a Norwegian story and a modern story. Four Norwegian children in native costume will appear and explain the costumes. This story hour is directed at older children.

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.

June 27, 1963





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FOR RELEASE

June 27, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182 (62) 447

Newbold Morris Commissioner of Parks announces a "Salute to Independence Day" in the form of an open air band concert in the old American tradition by the famed Seuffert Band, will be given on July 3 at noon in Twenty-third Street's Madison Square Park.

The concert will be the first in a series of five to be sponsored by The Bank for Savings, New York State's oldest mutual savings bank. The first concert will commemorate the bank's 144th anniversary which occurs on July 3.

The next four concerts will be held on subsequent Wednesdays at noon in July. Under the baton of George F. Seuffert, this series will be the first band concerts ever heard in the park.

Program of the July 3 concert will offer a great variety of the best-loved music from Offenbach to the marches of John Philip Sousa. It will include the "Knightsbridge Suite" by Eric Coates; the "Orpheus Overture" of Offenbach; excerpts from "The Sound of Music," by Richard Rodgers; overture from "The Music Man," by Meredith Willson; George M. Cohan favorites; "Irish Tune from County Kerry," by Percy Grainger; "Blue Tango" and "Clarinet Candy," by Leroy Anderson; "Manhattan Beach March," by John Philip Sousa. "Alouette Fantasy," will be played by Leona May Smith, trumpet solist.

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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, JUNE 30, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

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 Thursday evening, July 4th, at 8:30 p.m. Carl Bamberger will conduct and Julius Barer, flute soloist and Melvin Broiles, trumpet soloist will appear as guests.

PROGRAM

"THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER"

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|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Overture - "Oberon" | Carl Maria Von Weber      |
| 2. a) Poem             | Charles Tomlinson Griffes |
| b) Night Soliloquy     | Kent Kennan               |

JULIUS BAKER

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| 3. Symphony No. 104 in D. major | Franz Joseph Haydn |
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INTERMISSION

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| 4. Festivals from "Hallelujah the Hills, " | Meyer Kupferman |
| Film suite - World Premiere                |                 |

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| 5. Brandenburg Concerto No. 2 | Johann Sebastian Bach |
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MELVIN BROILES

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| 6. Waltz, - "Roses from the South" | Johann Strauss, Jr. |
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"AMERICA"

June 21, 1963



**D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S**  
**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** **REGENT 4-1.000**

**FOR RELEASE**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 1963

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1-1-1-60M-719182 (62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Storytelling Sessions at the Children's Zoo will conclude its Spring Sessions on Friday, June 28th.

During the months of July and August this program will be held in various playgrounds at 11 A.M. and 2 P.M. throughout the borough of Manhattan.

The Storytelling Sessions will resume Monday, September 9th, 1963 at the Children's Zoo.

June 24, 1963

MANHATTAN ----- STORYTELLING  
1963

Rain Area

Tues	July	2	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Ft. Tryon J. Hood Wright	
Wed	"	3	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	St. Gabriels Tompkins Square	
Thurs	"	4	HOLIDAY		
Fri	"	5	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Annunciation Mc Cray	
Sat	"	6	11 A.M.	Hans Christian Anderson	
Tues	"	9	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Carl Schurz John Jay	
Wed	"	10	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Heckscher Plygd. 77th & Amsterdam	83rd & Riverside
Thurs	"	11	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	95 Thompson Bernard Downing	
Fri	"	12	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Thomas Jefferson 130th & Lexington Avenue	
Sat	"	13	11 A.M.	Hans Christian Anderson	
Tues	"	16	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	East River Drive & 11th St. Seward Park	
Wed	"	17	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	102nd & Amsterdam 123rd & Morningside	
Thurs	"	18	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Ft. Tryon J. Hood Wright	
Fri	"	19	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	St. Gabriels Tompkins Square	
Sat	"	20	11 A.M.	Hans Christian Anderson	
Tues	"	23	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Annunciation Mc Cray	
Wed	"	24	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Carl Schurz John Jay	
Thurs	"	25	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Heckscher Playground 77th & Amsterdam	83rd & Riv.
Fri	"	26	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	95 Thompson Bernard Downing	
Sat	"	27	11 A.M.	Hans Christian Anderson	
Tues	"	30	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Thomas Jefferson 130th & Lexington	
Wed	"	31	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	East River Dr. & 11th St. Seward Park	

Ft. Tryon - Riverside Drive, Bway, 192nd to Dyckman Street  
 J. Hood Wright - Ft. Washington Ave. to Haven Ave. 173rd Street  
 St. Gabriels - 35th St. and 1st Avenue  
 Tompkins Square - Ave. A & Ave. B, East 7th to 10th St.  
 Annunciation - Convent Ave & 135th St.  
 Mc Cray - 138th St. between Lenox and 5th Ave.  
 Carl Schurz - East End Ave. 84th to 89th Sts.  
 John Jay - F.D.R. Drive, 76th to 78th Sts.  
 95 Thompson - Thompson St., between Spring & Prince Sts.  
 Bernard Downing - Columbia, Delancey & Willets Sts.  
 Thomas Jefferson - 1st Ave. & 111th Sts.  
 Seward Park - Canal, Essex & Hester Sts.

MANHATTAN ----- STORYTELLING (cont)

Thurs	Aug	1	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	102nd & Amsterdam 123rd & Morningside
Fri	"	2	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Ft. Tryon J. Hood Wright
Sat	"	3	11 A.M.	Hans Christian Anderson
Tues	"	6	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Chelsea Roof Tompkins Square
Wed	"	7	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Annunciation Mc Cray
Thurs	"	8	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Carl Schurz John Jay
Fri	"	9	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Heckscher Playground 77th & Amsterdam 83rd & Riverside
Sat	"	10	11 A.M.	Hans Christian Anderson
Tues	"	13	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	95 Thompson Bernard Downing
Wed	"	14	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Thomas Jefferson 130th & Lexington Ave.
Thurs	"	15	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	East River Drive & 11th St. Seward Park
Fri	"	16	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	102nd & Amsterdam 123rd & Morningside
Sat	"	17	11 A.M.	Hans Christian Anderson
Tues	"	20	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Ft. Tryon J. Hood Wright
Wed	"	21	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Chelsea Roof Tompkins Square
Thurs	"	22	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Annunciation Mc cray
Fri	"	23	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Carl Schurz John Jay
Sat	"	24	11 A.M.	Hans Christian Anderson
Tues	"	27	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Heckscher Playground 77th & Amsterdam 83rd & Riverside
Wed	"	28	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	95 Thompson Bernard Downing
Thurs	"	29	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	Thomas Jefferson 130th & Lexington Avenue
Fri	"	30	11 A.M. 2 P.M.	East River Dr. & 11th St. Seward Park
Sat	"	31	11 A.M.	Hans Christian Anderson



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FOR RELEASE

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that entries are being accepted at all Park Department facilities in Manhattan for two track meets, taking place at 74th Street and Riverside on June 22nd at 1:30 P. M., and at East River Drive and 6th Street, on June 29th at 1:30 P. M., respectively.

There will be twelve events open to boys and girls 17 years of age and under. No entry fee will be charge for entering any of the events. All contestants must compete in their own weight class.

Competitors who have won prizes at P. S. A. L. or private High School Meets or who have competed in A. A. U. events are ineligible to compete in these meets.

Medals will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place Winners in each event.



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FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 1963

1-1-1-SOM-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the following Name Bands will play at the locations listed below from June 20 to June 28.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Name Band</u>
Thurs. June 20	Wollman Memorial, Central Park.	Buddy Morrow
Fri. June 21	Prospect Park Dance Area, Brooklyn	Buddy Morrow
Tues. June 25	Victory Field Woodhaven Blvd. and Myrtle Ave., Queens.	Bill Holcombe
Wed. June 26	Poe Park, Bronx	Bill Holcombe
Thurs. June 27	Wollman Memorial, Central Park.	Pat Dorn
Fri. June 28	Prospect Park Dance Area, Brooklyn	Pat Dorn

June 17, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182 (62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Seventh 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 15, 1963, 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 are 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 Street.

The public is cordially invited to attend.  
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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that entries are still being accepted at all Department of Parks facilities in the Bronx for each of the Track Meets to be held on Saturday, June 15, 1963, in the Bronx.

Conducted by the Department of Parks, with the cooperation and sponsorship of the Bronx County American Legion, the meets will be held at Macombs Park, Williamsbridge Oval, and Van Cortlandt Stadium, starting at 1:00 P.M.

There will be nine events for boys and six for girls. Boys and girls seventeen years of age and under who have not competed in public school athletic competition or private high school meets, or who have not competed in amateur athletic union events are eligible to compete.

Gold, Silver and bronz medals will be awarded to first, second and third places. The first five places in each event at each location will qualify for the Bronx Borough Championships to be held Saturday, June 29, 1963 at 1:00 P.M. at Van Cortlandt Stadium.

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1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

NEWBOLD MORRIS, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the City-wide finals of the American Ballad Contest, better known as the Barber Shop Quartet Contest, will be held on the Mall in Central Park on Wednesday, June 12th at 8:30 P. M. (In the event of rain, the contest will be held the following evening).

The competing Quartets, consisting of the winners from the Borough Finals, as a result of the series of eliminations held last week, and from Northern New Jersey, Westchester, Nassau-Suffolk Counties who have accepted invitations to participate, and their choice of Selections are as follows:

MANHATTAN: "THE BEER MUGS"

Selections: "The Curse of An Aching Heart"  
"Old Aunt Dinah"

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BRONX: "THE KEY - TONES"

Selections: "A Bird in a Gilded Cage"  
"Dear Old Girl"

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BROOKLYN: "THE CASTLETONES"

Selections: "Side by Side"  
"What a Wonderful Wedding There Will Be"

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QUEENS: "THE JAMAICANS"

Selections: "Oh, How I Miss You Tonight"  
"Side by Side"

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RICHMOND: "THE CRACK-A-TONES"

Selections: "I Want A Girl"  
"Music Man" (Medley)

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NORTHERN NEW JERSEY: "THE WORTH WAITING FOUR"

Selections: "Twelfth Street Rag"  
"My Wonderful One"

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WESTCHESTER: "THE HARBOR CHORDS"

Selections: "Chord Busters March"  
"My Cutey's Due at Two to Two Today"

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NASSAU-SUFFOLK: "THE HUNTINGTONS"

Selections: "New Ashmolian Band"  
"My Wonderful One"

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The Judges for this competition will be:

Charles M. Spofford, Chief Judge;

Thomas J. Carley

C. Minot Dole

Charles B. McCabe

Sigmund Spaeth

Lester C. Steward

Hinson Stiles

Rounding out the program are the Guest Artists:

Elaine, Malbin, Soprano Star, and Robert Clary, Musical Comedy Star,  
each of whom has a featured role in Guy Lombardo's production of

Michael Todd's spectacular musical, "Around the World in 80 Days", which is scheduled to open at Jones' Beach on June 22, 1963, and Harry Hershfield, the noted raconteur, famous for his humor, and well-known New York Mirror columnist.

The public is invited to attend. There is no admission charge. The Mall is located on the east side of Central Park, south of 72nd Street.

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FOR RELEASE

Immediately

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the recreation programs and playgrounds will feature the slogan "June is Recreation Month", during that month.

The programs will feature in general four themes and will develop a theme each week. These are "Physical Fitness", "Family Recreation", "Arts", and "Special Programs and Opportunities through Service". Following are some of the planned activities to be featured during the month of June:

"Physical Fitness Programs"-

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| June 3, 4 P.M.     | - Tompkins Square Park, Ave. A. & 10 St.                                  |
| June 3, 10 A.M.    | - Lost Battalion Hall, 93-29 Queens Blvd, Queens                          |
| June 5, 4 P.M.     | - Inwood Park, 211 St. & Seaman Ave.                                      |
| June 6, 4 P.M.     | - J. Hood Wright Plgd., Ft. Washington Ave & W. 173 St.                   |
| June 6, 4 P.M.     | - Mt. Morris E. & W. Plgds., Mt. Morris Ave., Madison Ave. and E. 120 St. |
| June 6, 4 P.M.     | - Colonial Plgd., Bradhurst Ave. & W. 145 St.                             |
| June 8, 1 P.M.     | - Barry Park, Flushing Ave. & Navy St., Bklyn                             |
| June 8, 10 A.M.    | - Schermerhorn & 3rd Aves. Plgd., Bklyn                                   |
| June 8, 11 A.M.    | - Van Voorhies Plgd., Hicks, Columbia & Pacific Sts., Bklyn               |
| June 8, 2 P.M.     | - P.S. 22, Morris Ave. & E. 166 St., Bronx                                |
| June 8, 1 P.M.     | - Barry Park, Flushing Ave. & Navy St., Bklyn                             |
| June 14, 3:30 P.M. | - St. Mary's Houses, E. 156 St. & Forest Ave. Bronx                       |
| June 14, 4 P.M.    | - Melrose Houses, Courtlandt Ave. & 155 St. Bronx                         |
| June 19, 4 P.M.    | - P.S. 21 Plgd., White Plains Road, 225 St. Bronx                         |
| June 11, 5 P.M.    | - P.S. 214 Plgd., Pitkin Ave., Drew St., Bklyn                            |
| June 15, 10:30 AM. | - Carroll Park, President & Carroll Sts., Bklyn                           |

June 14, 3 P.M. - Sauer Playground, E. 12 St. & Ave. A  
June 14, 3 P.M. - Murphy Playground, E. 17 St. & Ave.C  
June 15, 10 A.M. - Machine & Metal Trades Plgd., 2 Ave. & E.96 St.  
June 15, 10 A.M. - Thomas Jefferson Park, 1 Ave. & 111 St.  
June 12, 1:30 P.M.- Carmansville Plgd., Amsterdam Ave. & W. 151 St.  
June 12, 6 P.M. - Sheltering Arms Plgd. W. 126 St.& Amsterdam  
June 12, 6 P.M. - McCray Plgd., W. 138 St & Lenox Ave.  
June 18, 4 P.M. - Harlem Housing Plgd., W. 150 St & 7 Ave.  
June 12, 7:30 P.M.- J. Hood Wright Plgd., Ft. Washington Ave. &  
West 173 St.  
June 11, 11 A.M. - Sumner and Madison Aves. Plgd. Bklyn  
June 15, 9 A.M. - P.S. 258, Tompkins Ave. & Halsey St., Bklyn  
June 14, 2 P.M. - P.S. 52, Kelly St. & St. John's St., Bronx  
June 16, 1:30 P.M.- P.S.127 Flgd., 25th Ave. & 98 St., Queens  
June 22, 2 P.M. - O'Connor Plgd., 32 St. & 210 St., Queens  
June 27, 4 P.M. - Flushing Memorial Plgd. 25 Ave., 149 St. Queens  
June 30, 2 P.M. - Lost Battalion Hall, 93-29 Queens Blvd, Queens

June 21, 3 P.M. - Sauer Plgd., E. 12 St. & Ave. A  
June 21, 3 P.M. - East River and 11 St. Playground  
June 21, 3 P.M. - J. Jay Plgd., E. 76 St. & F.D.R. Drive  
June 19, 4 P.M. - Colonial Park, Bradhurst Ave. & 145 St.

June 19, 3:30 PM. - Brownsville R. C., 1555 Linden Blvd., Bklyn  
June 18, 4 P.M. - Lost Battalion Hall, 93-29 Queens Blvd., Queens  
June 19, 4 P.M. - Kissena Park, Hempstead Turnpike & Kissena  
Blvd., Queens  
June 20, 4 P.M. - Brookville Plgd., 149 Ave. & Brookville Rd.,  
Queens

SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND

OPPORTUNITY THROUGH SERVICE:

June 24-28, 4 PM. - Roosevelt Golden Age Center, Chrystie &  
Stanton St.  
June 22-29, 4 PM. - 130 St. and Lexington Ave. Plgd.  
June 15, 2 P.M. - Union & Van Brunt Plgd., Bklyn  
June 20, 11 A.M. - Riverdale & Snediker Ave. Plgd., Bklyn  
June 24, 4 P.M. - O'Connell Plgd., 113 Ave. & 196 St., Queens  
June 27, 2 P.M. - Watson & Morrison Plgd., Bronx  
June 21, 7:30 PM. - Brownsville R.C., 1555 Linden Blvd., Bklyn

June 5, 1963



D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

"DANCING UNDER THE STARS"

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the popular summer series of Square and Folk Dances in City Parks will begin this year on Tuesday, June 18th, at 8:00 P.M. at the Wollman Memorial Recreation Facility, located in Central Park at 64th Street, west of Fifth Avenue, in Manhattan.

The program, which will continue throughout the summer (through September 24th), will start at 8:00 P.M., with special dancing for pre-teen youngsters until 8:30 P.M. From 8:30 P.M. to 10:30 P.M., the program will feature Square, Round, and Folk Dancing for Adults and Older Teen-Agers.

The dances will be conducted by the Park Department dance team of Joe and Alice Nash, aided by the "Promenaders," a specially trained group of Park Department Recreation Leaders, who will assist in demonstrating and teaching the dances to the public.

Other dance programs, under the direction of the Nashes, will be held as follows:



MONDAYS - beginning June 24th, at 8:00 P.M. at  
Poe Park, East 192nd Street and Grand  
Concourse, Bronx

(This program will continue through September 23rd)

THURSDAYS - beginning June 27th at 8:00 P.M. at  
Cunningham Park, Tennis Court Area,  
196th Street and Union Turnpike in Queens

(This program will continue through September 26th)

At each of these dances a special program for pre-teen youngsters will be the order, from 8:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M.

The dance series at all of these locations is scheduled to continue throughout the summer, and will contribute greatly to the recreational and dancing opportunities available to residents of New York City, and to visitors during the summer season.

All are invited to attend. There is no admission charge. This is a free recreational service offered by the New York City Department of Parks.



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK  
REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY - JUNE 7, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(63) 447

#32

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the children's storytelling hour for the 1963 season at the Hans Christian Anderson Memorial in Central Park has commenced.

The regular storytelling sessions conducted by the Department of Parks Recreation Division is held on Saturdays at 11 A.M. Stories by Hans Christian Anderson will be told at this time as well as other stories old and new.

Baroness Alma Von Dahlerup of the Danish American Women's Association, who in the past has provided professional storytellers, will again arrange for this service from time to time.

Beginning in July and continuing until the end of the season the New York Public Library will conduct a storytelling hour every Wednesday at the Hans Christian Anderson Memorial at 11 A.M.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, JUNE 6, 1963

#3

1-1-1-50M-719162(62) 447

ANNUAL CITY-WIDE PARK DANCE FESTIVAL

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Annual City-Wide Park Dance Festival will be held on Saturday, June 8th, 1963 at 2:00 p.m. at Sheep Meadow, Central Park, 68th Street off Central Park West, in back of the Tavern-on-the-Green.

800 children representing park department playgrounds throughout the five boroughs will take part in the Dance Festival. The Festival is a culmination of dance instruction which has taken place in the past several months under the guidance of the Park Department dance team of Joe and Alice Nash and a specially trained park department staff of 30 Recreation Leaders.

The program will be a varied one including the following dances:

"Karagouna"	Greek Folk
"Getting To Know You"	American Round
"Raksi Jaak"	Estonian Folk
"Kalvelis"	Lithuanian Folk
"Siamsa Beirte"	Irish Folk
"Doudlebska Polka"	Czechoslovakian Folk

"Just Because"	American Square
"Mietschi Putz Di"	Swiss Folk
"Shiboleth Basadeh"	Israeli Folk
"Left Footer's One-Step"	American Round
"Vengerka"	Hungarian Folk
"Show Off Your Lady"	American Mixer
"Virginia Reel"	American Contra

The public is cordially invited to attend. There is no admission charge. In case of rain, the dance will be held the following Saturday.



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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 1963

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1-1-1-50M-719182(82) 447

John A. Mulcahy, Acting Commissioner of Parks, announces that the children's storytelling hour for the 1963 season at the Hans Christian Andersen Memorial in Central Park has commenced.

Baroness Alma Von Dahlerup of the Danish American Women's Association, who in the past has provided professional storytellers, will again arrange for this service from time to time.

The regular storytelling hour conducted by the Department of Parks, is held on Saturdays. 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.



**D E P A R T M E N T       O F       P A R K S**  
**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** **REGENT 4-1.000**

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Attached is a statement by John A. Mulcahy,  
Acting Commissioner of Parks regarding the survey  
by the Park Association on maintenance and design  
of park facilities.

STATEMENT BY JOHN A. MULCAHY  
ACTING COMMISSIONER OF PARKS  
REGARDING SURVEY BY PARK ASSOCIATION

The Department of Parks welcomes the attention being focused on park design, operation and maintenance by the Park Association's recent reports. The Association has brought about clearer recognition of the difficulties faced by the Department in developing and maintaining New York City's park system.

Although the survey was obviously calculated to elicit criticism rather than praise, the Association's report on design indicates that the people of New York have a real appreciation of our park system. It is generally agreed by professionals that New York has one of the most distinguished, varied and well-operated park systems in the world. Many years of thoughtful planning, hard work and struggle have gone into a continual effort to build and maintain what we now have and to meet the evergrowing demand for new park areas. The attention that the Park Association has directed to our problems will serve primarily to increase the interested and intelligent support of our citizens and through them, that of the various City agencies which control the budgets and the appropriations so vital to park operations, development and expansion.

It is especially satisfying to read the report's statement that, "...on most topics, at least half of those who completed the questionnaire said they were satisfied with the present design ingredients of sitting parks..." This is a good batting average. Quotations by individuals in the Park Association's survey indicate

more interest in general expansion than in "modern" park design, the subject of considerable controversy and criticism of the Park Department in recent months. The Department is continuing its efforts to bring fresh, imaginative design to its parks and playgrounds. However, reconciling a prudent approach to the expenditure of public monies with experimentation presents many difficult problems that are not fully appreciated by most laymen.

It is also gratifying to note that many of the new facilities and types of equipment requested by New Yorkers are those which have been subject to study, testing and experimentation by the Department in recent years and which are scheduled for installation in new parks and playgrounds. It should be borne in mind that there is an inevitable time lag of two to three years between conception and final realization. Now in various stages of study, design or actual construction are: the use of more color in playgrounds; larger areas of planting; more varieties of trees and flowering trees; variation in the architectural style of park and playground structures; park shelters; variation in types of park benches; free-form play apparatus and the limitation, where possible, of the use of high fencing.

Many of the criticisms voiced by those approached in the survey were contradictory. On the one hand, the complaint is voiced that "...the parks are too overcrowded by oldsters..." while other respondents claim that "...too much of the monies... are expended for youthful beneficiaries...". Some ask for "...more and larger parks..." while others ask for "...more small parks..." Some of those questioned were of the opinion that the parks had more than enough eating



places and hoped for "...plain open space..."; others specifically demanded more soft-drink stands, coffee wagons and vending machines. While a number of those answering spoke up for contemporary design, "...more ornate design..." was suggested by many. "...Carl Schurz Park and John Finley Walk are models for future parks. Children and adults both seem to enjoy the park without interference..." as quoted in the design report contradicts the previously published opinion that "... the Park is a disgrace to the City."

It is surprising to note that the demands for specific types of park entertainment coincide with the programs presented by the Park Department for many years - band concerts, folk music and dancing, drama and recitations, patriotic observations and childrens' entertainments. Although the Park Department distributes each year some 8,000 free copies of its programs of entertainment and 15,000 booklets listing park facilities available to the public, it is obviously impossible to reach every citizen. The Department must depend on the press and radio for day-to-day publicizing of the many free entertainments offered in the City's parks.

No other city in the country, large or small, can remotely equal New York City's achievement over the past 30 years nor does any other city boast similar specific plans for park expansion. A few statistics are revealing: The Department of Parks now has under its jurisdiction over 36,000 acres or 17 per cent of the City's area (21,000 acres of this total have been added since 1933). In the past 30 years 725 modern playgrounds have been added to the 119 which existed previously, an increase of over six times.

Innumerable miles of park walks, for example some 65 miles of walks along the parkway system, and 50 miles of bicycle paths have been built: 164 baseball, 472 soft ball, 59 little league ball fields: 1,943 hard-ball courts: 459 tennis courts have been added to the system. 17.96 miles of beaches have been developed or re-developed and added to the park system. To accomplish this, the Department has used every known legal device and has invented many new ones in its efforts to expand park lands and facilities.

The Park Association report states that the Commissioner of Parks stopped the conduct of the survey on park property and thus blocked further enlargement of the survey. The conduct of the survey was in clear violation of Article III, Section 21A, Paragraph 2, Sub. d of the Park Department Rules and Regulations which for many years has protected park users from solicitation for any purpose. The motives of the Park Association were obviously praiseworthy, but such rules have the force of law and can not be arbitrarily administered. The Park Association is a private organization and permitting it to conduct a survey in the parks would automatically leave the way open for any other body of public-opinion analysts to turn the great number of park visitors into a captive source of profitable information. Surveys of the average man's opinion on government, foreign policy or the President's popularity would be followed in short order by questioning on the relative value of different brands of tooth paste.

There is one denominator common to almost all of the suggestions and criticisms contained in the Park Association report...

the need for money, and lots of it. The Park Department would have few problems in satisfying requests and criticisms of even its most demanding users if it were not for budgetary limitations. This is, of course, no new problem in public administration. However, better maintenance could be provided by the Park Department if the filling of existing personnel vacancies were permitted. This crippling condition has been in effect for some time. The reaction to the Mayor's recent tax program should leave no doubt that there is little enthusiasm for increased taxes and that the financial requirements for education, public health, safety, streets, etc. must all be balanced and reconciled within the limits of sound and realistic fiscal policy.

The Commissioner of Parks, the departmental staff, their professional consultants and the responsible officers of the City Government constantly weigh the many and often conflicting demands of the people of New York concerning their parks, playgrounds and other recreational facilities, and will continue to do so. The Park Association survey has shown how conflicting these demands can be, but the Park Department will find it most useful in its continuing efforts to provide a modern, well-balanced, attractive and useful recreational system.

5/22/63



**D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S**  
**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** *#18* **REGENT 4-1.000**

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182 (62) 447

John A. Mulcahy, Acting Commissioner of Parks announces that the Roosevelt Park Golden Age Center, located in Roosevelt Park at Stanton and Forsyth Sts., in the Lower East Side, will celebrate its eighth anniversary on Thursday evening, May 23. The program will include entertainment furnished by the members with dancing and refreshments.

One of eight senior citizen groups operated by the Department of Parks of the City of New York, the Roosevelt Park Golden Age Center offers a well rounded program of arts and crafts, dancing, lectures, music and quiet games designed to help oldsters enjoy their leisure time.

May 21, 1963.



**D E P A R T M E N T     O F     P A R K S**  
**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** **REGENT 4-1000**

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

John A. Mulcahy, Acting Commissioner of Parks, announces that a 45 minute concert by The 100 Voice Beloit, Wisconsin, YMCA Boys' Choir, will take place at the Mall, Central Park, at 3:00 P.M. on Saturday, May 25.

The Beloit Boys' Choir, under the executive direction of Mr. Don Sorenson, was organized in 1961 and sponsored by the YMCA, The Rotary Club, and every major service club and civic organization in Beloit, Wisconsin. Mr. William L. Schofer is the musical director of the group, and carries out the choir's theme of patriotism as typified by the songs of America featured on all of their programs.

This group has now been established as a nation-wide touring choir. Its appearance in New York City at this time brings to a close a successful Spring Tour, which included concerts in Pittsburgh, Washington, D. C.; and Philadelphia.

May 20, 1963



**D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S**  
**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** **REGENT 4-1000**

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY , MAY 22, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

John Mulcahy, Acting Commissioner of Parks, announces that in cooperation with the Bronx County American Legion, three qualifying Track Meets will be held on Saturday, June 15, 1963, at 1:00 p.m., one at each of the following locations in the Borough of The Bronx:

Macombs Park, E. 164th Street and River Avenue

Williamsbridge Oval, E. 208th St. and Bainbridge Avenue

Van Cortlandt Stadium, Broadway and 241st Street

Entry blanks are now available at all Park Department playgrounds in the Bronx, and at the tracks where the meets are to be held. There will be nine events for boys and six events for girls. The meets will be open to all boys and girls, seventeen years of age and under, who have not competed in Public School Athletic League or private high school meets, or who have not competed in Amateur Athletic Union events.

Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded to first, second, and third places. The first five places in each event at each location will qualify for the Bronx Borough championships to be held Saturday, June 29, 1963 at 1:00 p.m. at Van Cortlandt Stadium.

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**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** **REGENT 4-1000**

**FOR RELEASE**

**IMMEDIATELY**

*#25*

1-1-1-50M-719182 (62) 447

The Department of Parks announces that due to repairs to the plumbing system, the opening of Manhattan Beach in Brooklyn, which was scheduled for Saturday, May 18, 1963, has been postponed until Saturday, May 25, 1963.



D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1.000

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

1-1-1-50M-719182(82) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that on Friday, May 17th, 1963 at 8:15 p.m., the Annual Department of Parks Boxing Championships will be held at Lost Battalion Hall, 93-29 Queens Boulevard, Rego Park, Queens.

Twelve classes will be contested as follows:

Junior 105 lb. Class - Novice

Abigal Vasques (St. Mary's)	vs	Carl Traini (West 28th St. Gym)
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Junior 118 lb. Class - Sub-Novice

Kenneth Garrison (East 54th St. Gym)	vs	Israel Ortiz (St. Mary's)
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Junior 118 lb. Class - Novice

Ivon Ortiz (Baruch)	vs	Ronald Burton (West 134th St. Gym)
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Junior 126 lb. Class - Sub-Novice

Ronald Johnson (West 134 St. Gym)	vs	Joseph Cresenzo (Redhook R. C.)
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Junior 126 lb. Class - Novice

Jose Santiago (East 54 St. Gym)	vs	Edward Grant (West 28th St. Gym)
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Junior 145 lb. Class - Sub-Novice

Don Meyers (St. Mary's)	vs	Joseph Waldbaum (Lost Battalion Hall)
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Senior 126 lb. Class - Novice

Angel Venegas (Redhook)	vs	Jose Crispo (St. Mary's)
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Senior 112 lb. Class - Sub - Novice

Ivon Lorenzo (Baruch)	vs	Fred Hernandez (Redhook)
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Senior 145 lb. Class - Novice

Tony Bordonado (Red Hook)	vs	Chas. Bright (Lost Battalion Hall)
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Senior 147 lb. Class - Sub-Novice

Wayne Evans (West 28th St. Gym)	vs	Vincent Trujello (Highbridge)
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Senior 147 lb. Class - Novice

Wm. Nunez (East 54th St. Gym)	vs	John Barnes (Highbridge)
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Senior 155 lb. Class - Sub-Novice

Julio Figueroa (Baruch)	vs	Cornel Blount (Astoria)
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ADMISSION IS FREE

There are twelve bouts in all Sub-Novice and Novice.

May 15, 1963



D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, MAY 17, 1963

#23

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the bathing and swimming season at the 17.96 miles of municipally operated beach will open Saturday, May 18th, and seventeen outdoor swimming pools will open officially on May 25, 1963.

From May 25th to June 16th, the pools will be open for week ends and holidays only, and from June 22nd 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 beginning July 2nd and conducted 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 swim-

ming for patrons 15 years of age and over will be held on Sunday mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. 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 18th.

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, Jacob Riis, and Great Kills beaches the locker rentals are 15¢ for children and 25¢ for adults.

The sections of South Beach between Miller Field and Seaview Avenue, and from Xenia to Dartmouth Avenue will be open for use and will provide parking areas, a picnic area, concession buildings, play areas, promenade, and bathhouses located at Graham Boulevard and Sand Lane.

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.

Because of the storm damage in 1962 there will be limited use of some facilities at Rockaway Beach in Queens.

Two playgrounds that will be available are located at Beach 83rd and Beach 109th Streets. Playgrounds located at Beach 85th Street and Beach 107th Street will not be open for use.

Only one games area will be available at Beach 81st Street. The other games areas at Beach 76, 88, 97, 103, and 104 Streets will be closed. Two sitting areas located at Beach 101 and Beach 79 Streets will have partial use.

The eight parking fields located at Beach 32nd Street, Beach 53 Street, Beach 59th Street, Beach 62nd Street and Beach 64th Street, Beach 67th Street, and Beach 69th Street and Beach 102 Street will be available on May 18.



**D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S**  
**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** **REGENT 4-1000**

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 1963

#72

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that entries are being accepted for the Seventh Annual Sail Boat Regatta and Design Competition to be held at the Conservatory Lake in Central Park on Saturday June 15, 1963, 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 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 - Home built 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK  
REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

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1-1-1-60M-719182(62) 447

The Department of Parks announces that there will be open house at the Lost Battalion Hall during the week of May 12 to May 19, 1963 to celebrate the first anniversary of the opening of this facility as a recreation center.

Located on Queens Boulevard and 62 Avenue in Queens, the program for the occasion will be as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Sunday, May 12	11:00 A.M. 2:00 P.M.	Tumbling for Tots Chamber Music Concert- Municipal Concerts Inc. M. Grossman Conductor. L.B. Awards to Mother and Grandmother of the Year
Monday, May 13	2:00 P.M. 8:00 P.M.	Badminton Tourney Songs Competition "Musical Opportunities"
Tuesday, May 14	10:00 A.M.- 6:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	"Arts and Crafts in Action" Home Makers Exhibit Center Chess & Checker Tourney Finals Center Table Ten. Tourney Finals
Wednesday, May 15	4:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M. 7:30 P.M.	Gymnastics Exhibition Handball Exhibition A.A.U. Weight Lifting Show
Thursday, May 16	4:00 P.M. 8:00 P.M.	Fencing Exhibition Dancing: Folk and Square Exhibition and Public participation

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Friday, May 17	2:00 P.M.	Pre-school Kindergarten Games
	7:00 P.M.	City-wide Boxing Championship
Saturday, May 18	10:00 A.M.	Basketball Skills Jr. Boys
	2:00 P.M.	Boro-wide Dance Fete
Sunday, May 19	2:00 P.M.	Organ Recital
	2:30 P.M.	Ballet: "Nutcracker Suite"
	3:30 P.M.	Choral Singing - Singing Queens County Chapter, Sweep Adeline

Admission is free and all are cordially invited to attend.



D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

MAY 8, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that entries are being accepted for the 29th annual Barber Shop Quartet Contest to be held on the Mall in Central Park on Wednesday, June 12th, at 8:30 P.M.

Preliminary contests will be held in each of the five boroughs according to the following schedule:

<u>Borough and Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
MANHATTAN MONDAY, JUNE 3rd	MALL, CENTRAL PARK 72nd Street and Center Drive
RICHMOND TUESDAY, JUNE 4th	CROMWELL RECREATION CENTER Murray Hulbert Avenue and Hannah Street, Tompkinsville
BROOKLYN WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5th	BROOKLYN WAR MEMORIAL Cadman Plaza, Fulton and Orange Streets
BRONX THURSDAY, JUNE 6th	MULLALLY RECREATION CENTER Jerome Avenue and East 164th Street
QUEENS FRIDAY, JUNE 7th	FOREST PARK MUSIC GROVE Main Drive w/o Woodhaven Boulevard

The contest is open to amateur male quartets only. The amateur class includes all quartets which do not earn their livelihood as a singing group. Each quartet may sing two numbers,



or two medleys, or a combination of one medley and one number. The songs must be of the American Ballad or Barber Shop variety. No quartet may sing for more than six minutes. Instrumental accompaniment will be permitted for starting chord only.

Judges will score quartets on tone, rhythm, musical technique, harmony, and originality (60%), interpretation, expression, and phrasing (30%), stage presentation, costume, and stage presence (10%).

Quartets winning first place in the borough competitions will be eligible to compete in the final competition on June 12th. Prizes will be awarded to winning quartets in the borough competitions and to quartets finishing first, second, and third in the city-wide finals.

Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Park Department borough offices. Entries close May 27th.

May 7, 1963



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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

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1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Commissioner Morris announces that a Kite Flying and Design Contest for boys and girls 7 through 15 years of age will be conducted with the cooperation of A & S on Saturday, May 4, at 10:00 A. M. at the Long Meadow in Prospect Park, south of the Grand Army Plaza. In case of rain it will be held Saturday, May 11.

The flying contest will be conducted in three age divisions for boys and girls:

- 7 to 9 years
- 10 to 12 years
- 13 to 15 years

In the flying contest, any size kite (homemade or commercial) is eligible. The length of the string must be 200 feet attached to a windup stick 3/4" x 10".

The Design Competition is restricted to homemade kites of any size, made by the contestant. Kites will be judged on workmanship, design, color or art, or air worthiness. The same 3 age groups apply to this competition but boys and girls will compete against each other in each division.

Trophies contributed by A & S will be presented to winners of first three places in each age group.

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FOR RELEASE

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1-1-1-50M-719182(63) 447

Mr. Charles Roderiguez an Executive Assistant to the President of the City Council became the first player to shoot a hole-in-one at the recently opened Douglaston Park Golf Course in Queens.

This unusual feat took place on the 17th hole. Mr. Roderiguez was using a #1 wood and playing with a Mr. Bernard Handwerker.

April 30, 1963



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D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks announces that the Engineers' Gate at the entrance to Central Park at Fifth Avenue and 90 Street will be dedicated with ceremonies on Wednesday May 1, 1963 at 3 P. M.

Although this entrance was officially designated Engineers' Gate soon after the creation of Central Park there never was any visible indication of its name.

Funds for the actual work of inscribing the name in the stone walls on each side of the entrance were raised by the Committee on Engineering Progress, Morris Berman, Chairman.

This is the fourth entrance to Central Park to have its official name inscribed on the adjacent boundary wall.

The others are Inventors' Gate at 72 Street and Fifth Avenue, the 76 Street Gate at 76 Street and Fifth Avenue and the Mariners' Gate at Central Park West and 85 Street.

April 30, 1963



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that stage and screen star Dina Merrill will join with outstanding tennis personalities, including former champions Billy Talbert and Sarah Palfrey Danzig, in efforts to make the fourth annual Eastern Tennis Patrons' series of free clinics for boys and girls another success.

They will gather at the opening session at the Central Park tennis courts on Monday, April 29, 1963 along with other sports figures at West 93rd Street and the West Drive. Miss Merrill is an active tennis player.

The clinics are sponsored by the philanthropic Patrons, headed by Alastair B. Martin, Dan S. Johnson and Clifford S. Sutter, in cooperation with the New York City Department of Parks. The clinics will run a record eight consecutive weeks at five different sites. They have been extended an additional week due to the interest shown by youngsters last year when more than 1,000 attended the seven-weeks series.

Talbert, a former Davis Cup captain and national doubles champion, and Mrs. Danzig, former women's titleholder, head a list of ranking players, past and present, who will

assist in the opening session at Central Park, starting 3:45 P.M.

Others who will assist include Frank Shields, another former U. S. Davis Cup captain; Mercer Beasley, noted veteran teacher; Bill Lufler, president of the Professional Lawn Tennis Association, and two metropolitan area college coaches, George Seewagen of St. John's and Charles Lundgren of Upsala.

Three current high ranking players also will attend. They are Carole Wright of Brooklyn, the East's first-ranking woman player; and Steve Stockton of Riverdale and George Seewagen, Jr. of Bayside, Queens, who are ranked one-two in Eastern Boys' 16 years Division Tennis.

Miss Wright, young Seewagen and Stockton will join with Mrs. Danzig in an exhibition mixed doubles match after the teaching session.

Newbold Morris, New York City Commissioner of Parks, will head a contingent of City officials, and a group of professional teachers from the Professional Lawn Tennis Association will be assigned to each of the clinic sites as the series continues each weekday through June 21. These pros are Eli Epstein, Herb Zoob, Bob Burrows and Hank Fenton.

Each Monday, the clinic will be held at Central Park. On Tuesdays, the clinics will be held at McKinley Park, Brooklyn. They will move to Alley Pond Park, Douglaston, Queens, each Wednesday. Two clinics will be held in the Bronx weekly, at Mullaly Park, Thursdays and at Crotona Park, Fridays.

The clinics will be open to all boys and girls, nine through 17 years, and will start at 3:45 P.M. except at Crotona Park, where starting time will be 3:15 P.M.

Applications to enroll are available at all Park Department tennis courts.



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**ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK** **REGENT 4-1000**

FOR RELEASE

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Friday, April 26, 1963

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the Douglaston Park Golf Course located on Commonwealth and Marathon Boulevards in Douglaston, Queens will be open for public usage on Saturday, April 27, 1963 at 6 a. m.

Formerly known as the North Hills Golf Club, title to the 104.6 acres was acquired by the City through the funds made available by the New York State Park Land Acquisition and Bond Act of 1960.

Three of the 18 holes are located on property owned by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn. Under an agreement, the City will be permitted to make use of the 27 acres on which these three holes are located until December 31, 1963. This generous act will give us time to redesign the three new holes within the limits of the area owned by the City. The greens and the fairways have been top dressed, fertilized and seeded and the sporty layout is in excellent condition. Skinner Graham, formerly of Silver Lake Park Golf Course, has been selected as the golf professional.

The interior of the club house, built in striking Spanish architecture, has been completely refurbished. Lockers for 408 men and 144 women will be installed by May 6th.

The Douglaston Park Golf Course will make the 11th municipal links in operation in New York City's parks system and will help reduce the waiting time elsewhere for our public links golfers. Daily permits for lockers will be available at the club house after May 6th at a cost of 25¢. Season permits for lockers will be issued to golfers from the Queens office of the Parks Department in the Overlook in Kew Gardens, Forest Park, starting on Monday, May 6th at 9 a. m. at a cost of \$5.00.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY - APRIL 26, 1963

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that on Monday, April 29th at 2 P.M., members of the square and Folk Dance Club of the Park Department Owen Dolen Golden Age Center, located at Westchester Square in the Bronx, will pay a return visit to entertain patients of the Beth Abraham Home for Incurables, with a program of Folk and Square Dances.

The dancers, whose ages range from 60 through 75 years, have been meeting regularly at the Dolen Center for the past three years under the guidance of Joe and Alice Nash, Park Department dance specialists. Included in the program to be presented are the following dances: Polly Wolly Doodle Mixer, Patch Tanz, "Comin' Round The Mountain" Square, Left Footer's One Step, All American Promenade, Sicillian Tarantella, "Hey Ma" Square, Mechol Avadya, and The Virginia Reel.

Hostess for the afternoon will be Mrs. Josephine Raller, Supervisor of Recreation for the Beth Abraham Home. Among the members of the Owen Dolen Square And Folk Dance Club who will participate are the following: - Minnie Zarookian, Harriet Boekhoff, Frances Pannozzo, Joseph Pannozzo, Burney Smart, Louise

Smart, Jack Lehner, Connie Marricco, Carlo DiPillo, Minna Grant, Santos Centarmore, Beatrice Geisselmann, Steve Pasco, Ann Zeiman, Nicholas D'Adamo, Charley Shapiro, Tillie Shapiro, Harry Solomon, Tina Sire, Angelina Pirianno, Mathilda Liefke, Bertha Schutz, Salvatore Cacioppo.

Miss Barbara Heiden, Director of the Owen Dolen Center, is most pleased with the skill and enthusiasm of the group, and announces that requests from other organizations for performances by the group will be given every consideration.

The Owen Dolen Golden Age Center is located at East Tremont and Westchester Avenues, Bronx.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

APRIL 24, 1963

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1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that the 4th annual series of free tennis clinics sponsored by the Eastern Tennis Patrons in cooperation with the Department of Parks will be held at five locations in Manhattan, Bronx, Brooklyn and Queens beginning on Monday, April 29th.

Because of the enthusiastic response by the more than 1000 boys and girls who participated in the 1962 teaching sessions Eastern Tennis Patrons' President Alistair Martin announced the decision to extend the current series an additional week for a total of eight weeks.

Mr. Dan Johnson, Treasurer of the Patrons, has arranged for a talented group of professionals to head up the teaching staff, which will be implemented by the Recreation Staff of the Park Department.

The two-hour clinics will be open to all boys and girls who have passed their ninth birthday but have not yet reached their eighteenth birthday. They will be held once weekly beginning at 3:45 P.M. with the exception of Crotona Park where the clinic will start at 3:15 P.M.

## S C H E D U L E

Mondays (beginning April 29) - Central Park at West 93rd Street,  
Manhattan

Professional - Hank Fenton

Tuesdays (beginning April 30)- McKinley Park at 7th Avenue &  
75 Street, Brooklyn

Professional - Bob Barrow

Wednesdays (beginning May 1) - Alley Park at Grand Central  
Parkway & Winchester Blvd. Queens

Professional - Ten Zoob

Thursdays\*(beginning May 2) - Mullaly Park at East 164 Street &  
Jerome Ave., Bronx

Professional - Bob Barrow

\*Thursday, May 30th - there will be no clinic - it will be held  
on Friday, May 31st.

Fridays(beginning May 3) - Crotona Park at 173 Street and  
Crotona Avenue, Bronx

Professional - Eli Epstein

Youngsters who own racquets are urged to bring them. Racquets  
will be provided free to others during the clinic periods. Every-  
one must come to the courts equipped with smooth-soled sneakers  
or tennis shoes.

Outstanding pupils at each clinic will once again receive  
the coveted "merit award" ribbons, and at the conclusion of the  
series those boys and girls at each location who have shown the  
greatest interest and improvement will receive special awards in  
the form of new tennis racquets.

Applications for enrolling in the program are available  
at all Park Department Tennis Courts.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

Wednesday, April 10, 1963 *NY*

1-1-1-503M-719182 (63) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces the opening of its 469 Tennis Courts at various locations in the five boroughs on Saturday, April 13, 1963.

Regular season permits cost \$7.50 and are good for play every day, including Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays on all courts.

Junior Tennis Permits cost \$3.50 and will be issued to children who will not have reached their 18th birthday by November 30, 1963. PROOF OF AGE MUST BE PRESENTED WITH THEIR APPLICATIONS. These Junior Permits will be valid for use on all courts which are open for play every day, including Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.

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 application when submitted.

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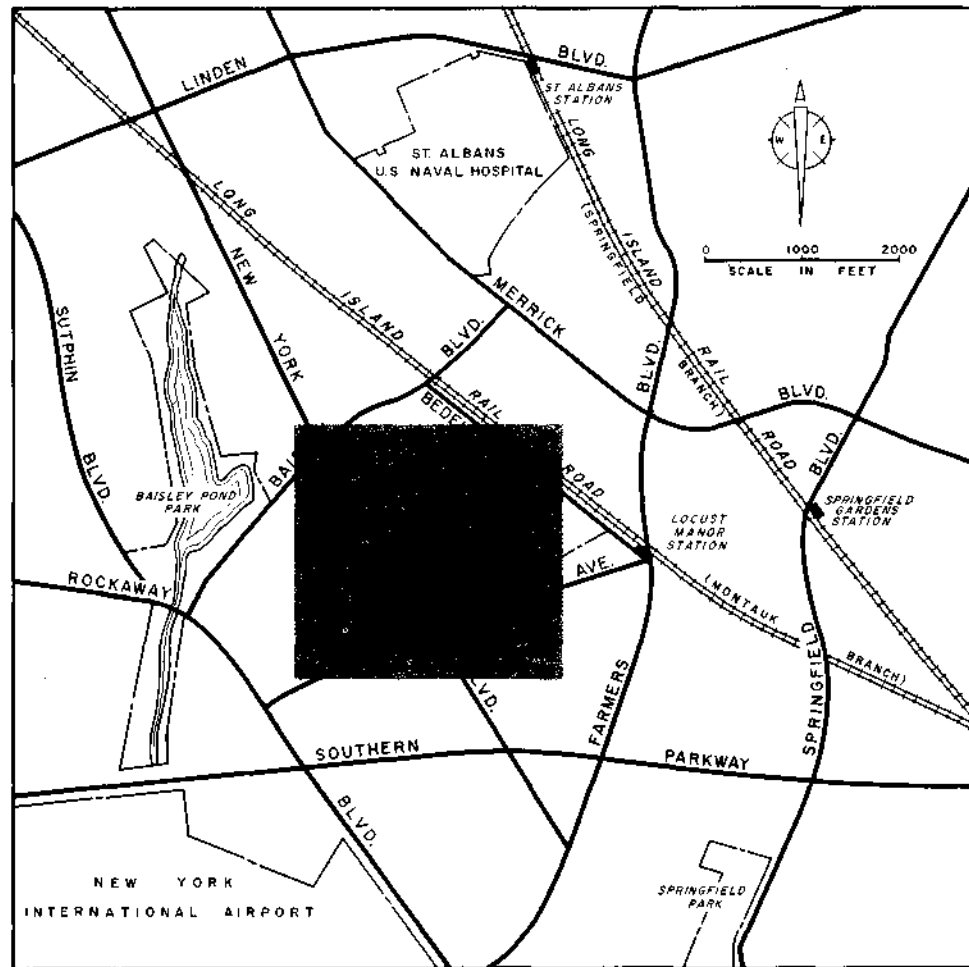
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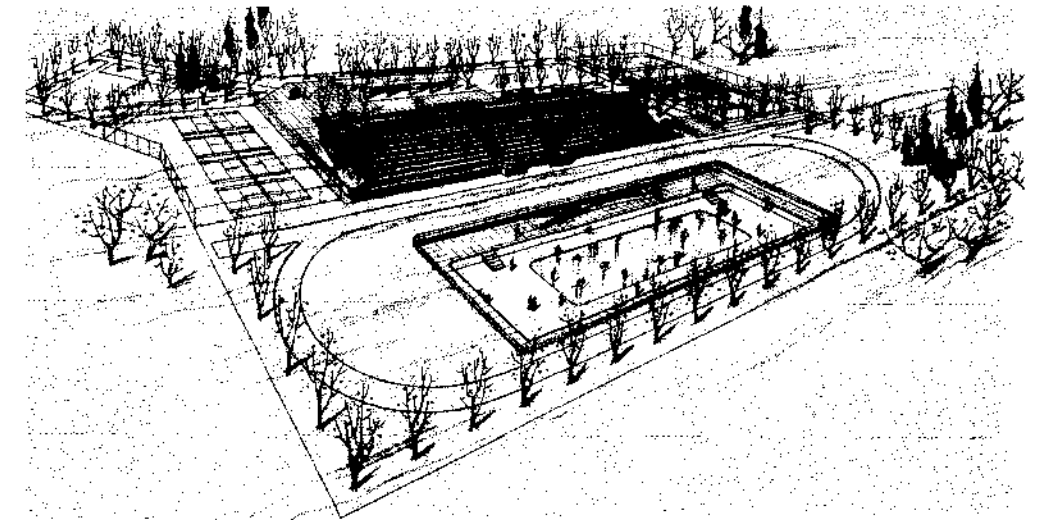
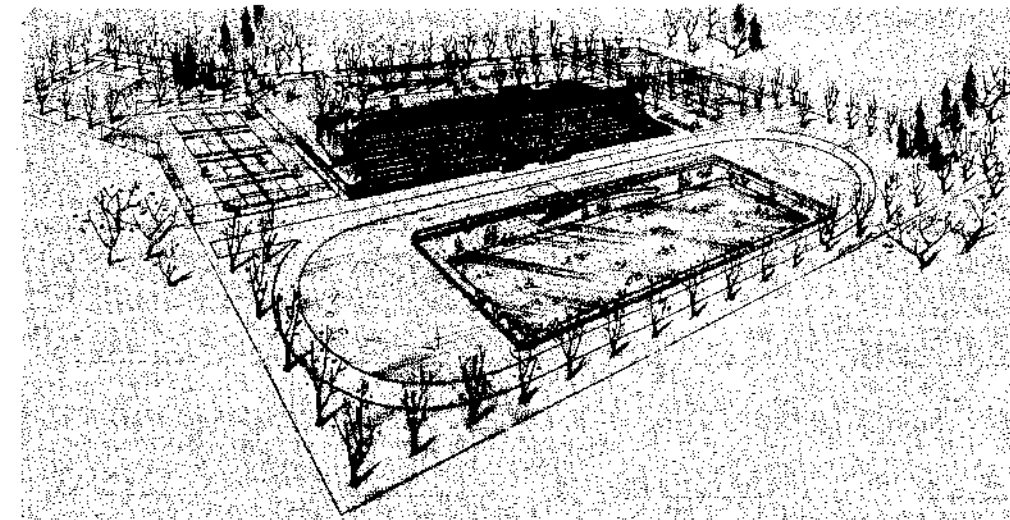
1-1-1--50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that traffic on the Interborough Parkway will be restricted to one lane in each direction on Thursday, April 11, 1963, starting at 9:30 a.m. Traffic in both directions will be stopped completely for five minute intervals to permit the setting of steel girders on the Van Wyck Expressway Viaduct at the Kew Gardens Interchange.

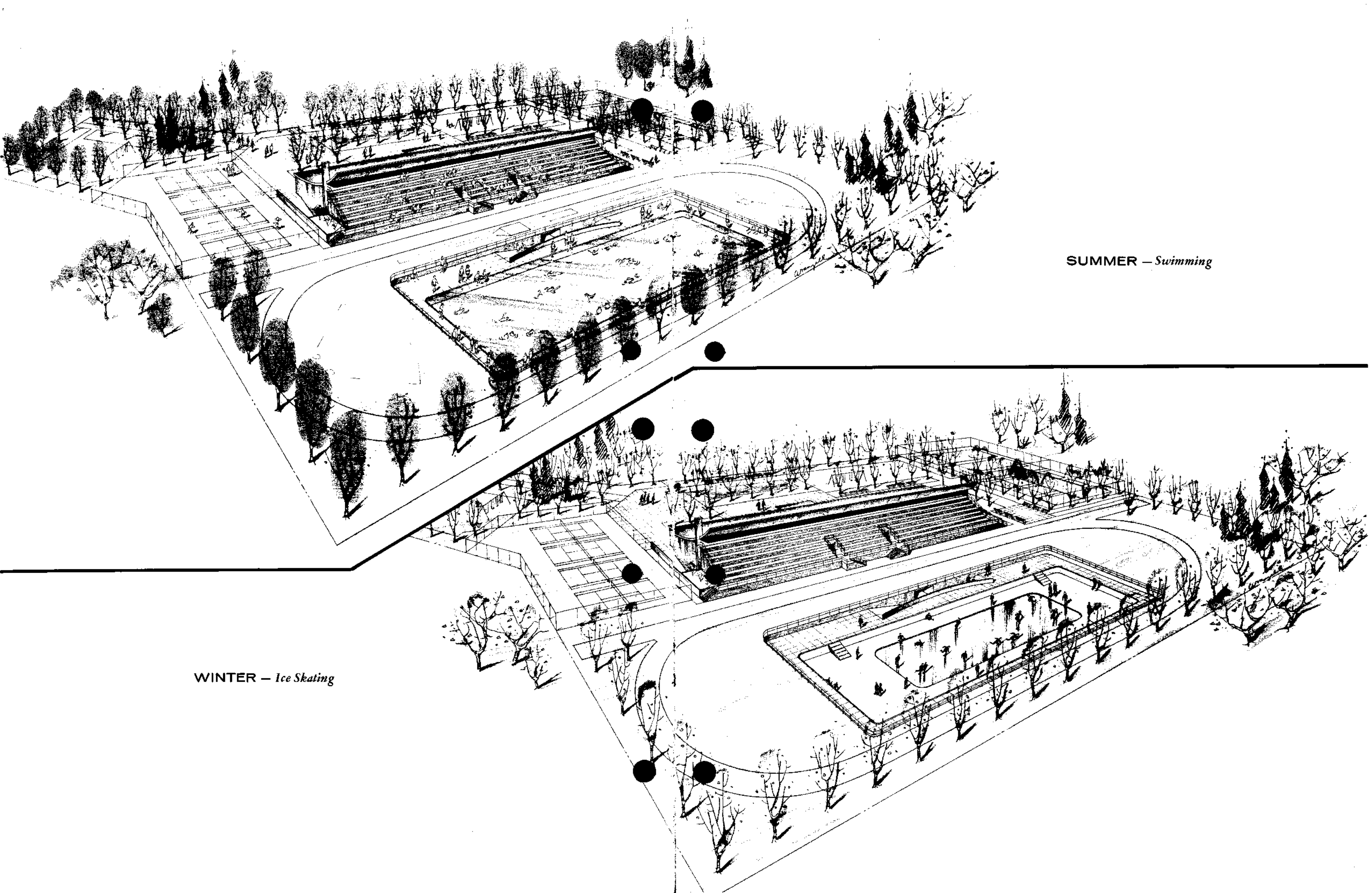
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February 18, 1963

Hon. Newbold Morris, Commissioner  
Department of Parks  
The Arsenal  
64th Street and Fifth Avenue  
New York 21, N. Y.

Dear Commissioner:

At the suggestion of Commissioner Robert Moses, Rochdale Village Inc. has retained us to make a preliminary plan for a recreation center. We will be paid \$20,000, which should be deducted from any amount that we may be paid by the City Park Department for the general and complete contract plans. The estimated cost of development is \$2,400,000.

The new Recreation Center proposed by the Department of Parks will occupy a site of eight and one-half acres along New York Boulevard. This is adjacent to future Junior High School No. 72. This Center, designed as a year-round, community-wide facility, will be for the use of all City residents.

Development of the recreation building is designed for multiple use as a dressing house for swimming, locker room facilities for ice skating, field house for track and field events. These would be under spectator bleachers. Provision for indoor athletic and community facilities will concentrate a needed recreational center on a comparatively small and easily maintained site.

In addition to the quarter mile track, swimming pool and ice skating rink, space has been provided for handball, volleyball, basketball, and tennis courts. Areas are reserved for small children and a neighborhood playground.

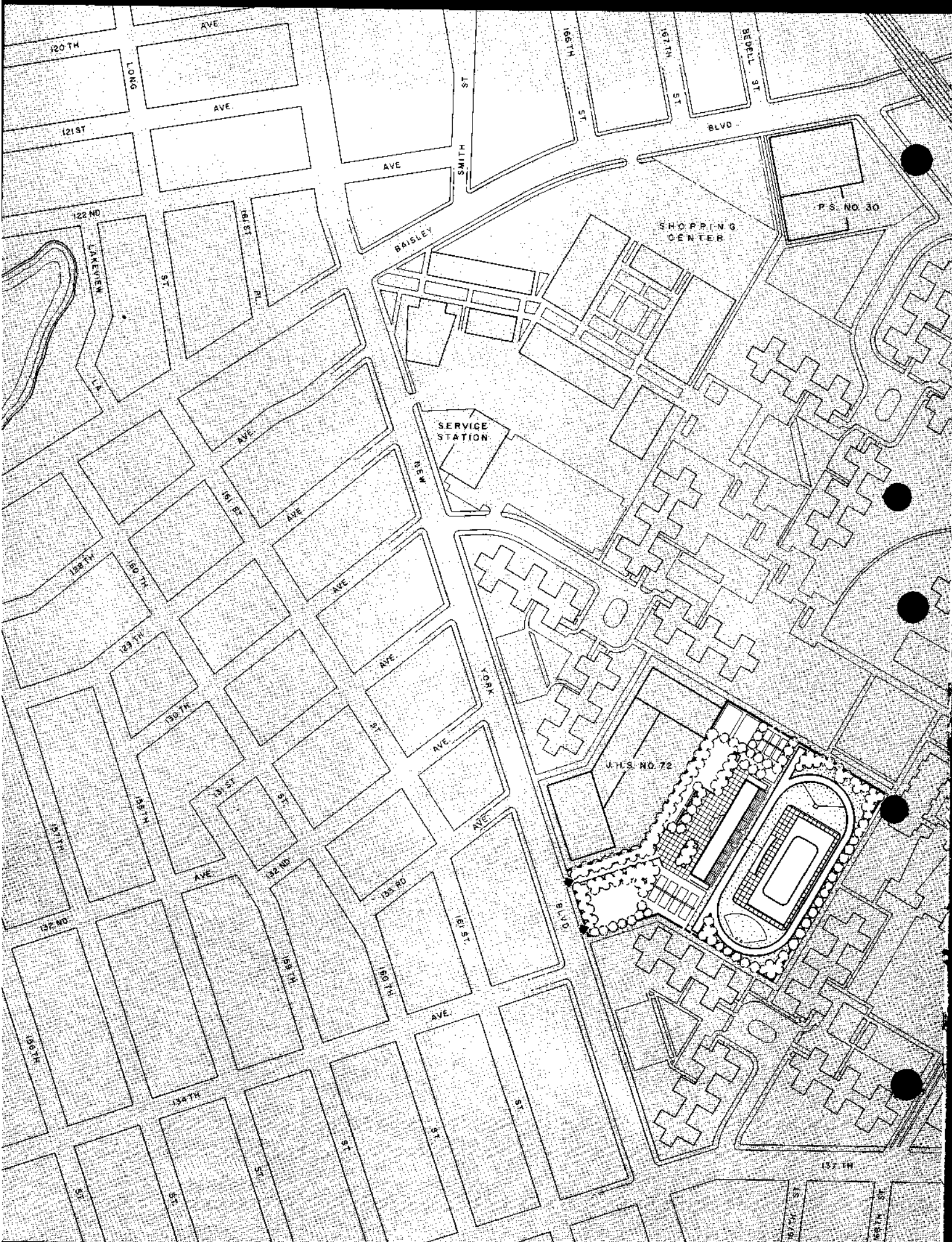
As you know, we have discussed these plans with Commissioner Moses, President Abraham E. Kazan of the United Housing Foundation and General President Jacob S. Porofsky of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America.

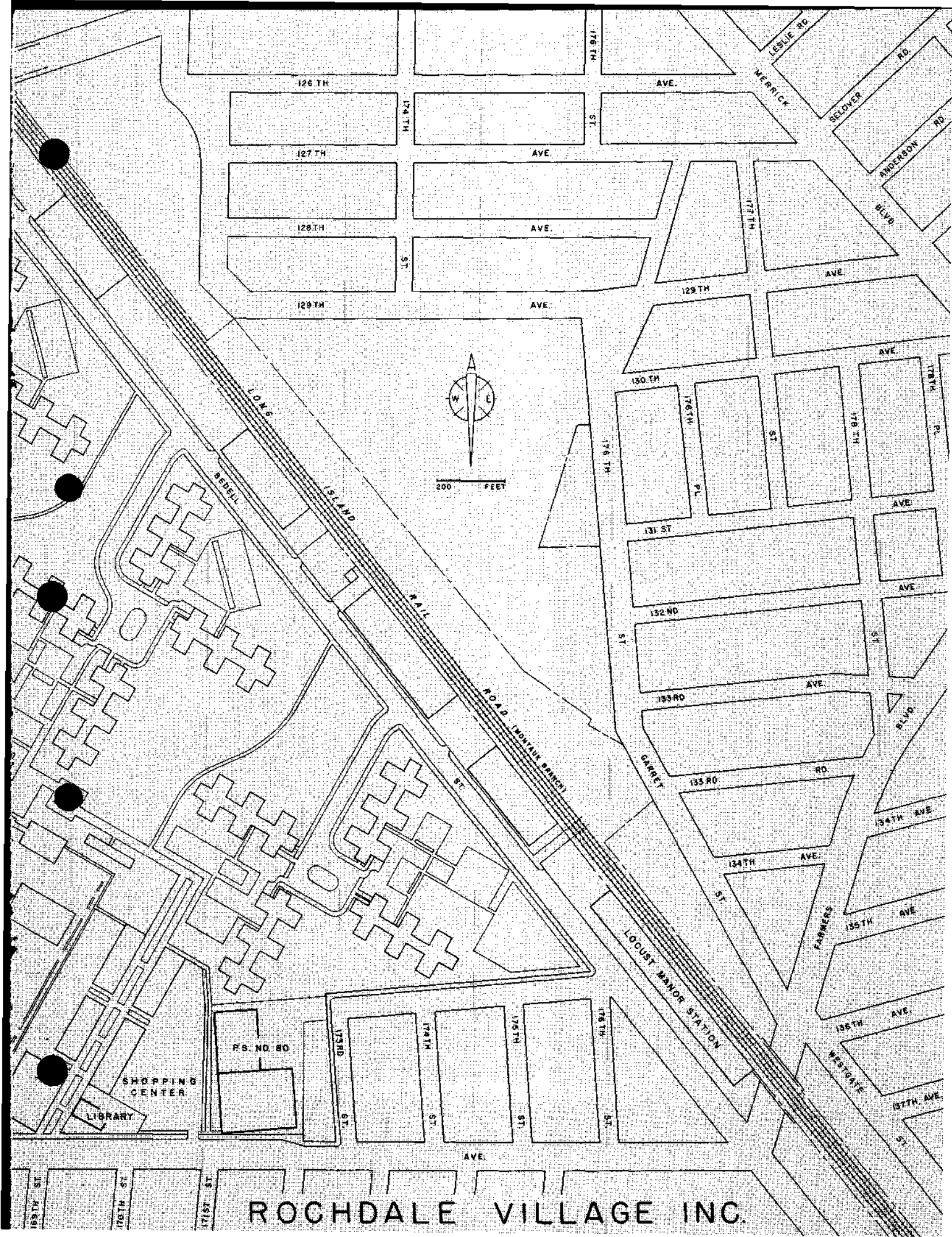
We understand that you are requesting that the current capital budget be amended to start the design work.

Sincerely,



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ROCHDALE VILLAGE INC.



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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

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1-1-1-5031-719182 (62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks announces that high temperature has prevented the ice making machinery from maintaining satisfactory ice to permit skating, at the Kate Wollman Memorial Skating Rink in Prospect Park, Brooklyn.

To prevent serious damage to the equipment it has become necessary to adjust the schedule of sessions for this facility as follows:

When the temperature approaches 70 degrees, there will be no afternoon sessions.

There will be no change in the schedule for the morning and evening sessions.

This schedule will remain in effect until the official closing of the rink.

April 2, 1963



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FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

#9

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks announces that because of an electrical power failure there will be no ice skating at the Wollman Memorial Skating Rink in Central Park until further notice.

April 2, 1963



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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

#8

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces the 12th annual Open House Week at St. Mary's Park Recreation Center, East 145th Street and St. Ann's Avenue, Bronx, beginning Sunday, March 31 and extending through Saturday, April 6. The Center will be open to visitors from 12 noon to 7 p.m. on Sunday, and from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., thereafter.

St. Mary's Park Center, the first of the Park Department's large scale recreation centers, has proved of immense importance to the South Bronx Community. It had a registration of more than 8,455 members in 1962, ranging from pre-school children to Golden Agers.

Each day during Open House Week; one or more of the regular program activities will be highlighted. These will consist of swimming meets, novelty races, and water safety demonstrations in the swimming pool; gymnastics, dancing, basketball championships, tumbling and weight-lifting in the gymnasium; table games tournaments in the game room; crafts exhibitions and classes; and the showing of motion pictures.

"St. Mary's Nite" will be held on Friday, April 5, at 7:00 p.m. Members from all age groups will present a variety program of dance exhibitions, gymnastic routines on apparatus, swim meet, tumbling, boxing, exercise and springboard exhibitions; and a feature film "Forbidden Planet".

The public is cordially invited to visit St. Mary's Park Recreation Center during these "Open House" days. Admission will be free.



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1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Attached is a copy of a letter from Commissioner Newbold Morris to State Senator Jerome Wilson in answer to his expressed misapprehensions about certain Department of Parks activities.

March 28, 1963





NEWBOLD MORRIS  
COMMISSIONER

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March 26, 1963

The Honorable Jerome Wilson  
State Senate  
Albany, New York

Dear Senator Wilson:

Apparently I must again call your attention to misinformation and erroneous statements attributed to you which have appeared in the public press in connection with the proposed conference scheduled for April 6, 1963.

Enumerated below are some of these allegations and the contrasting facts:

1. You are quoted as criticizing the Park Department for its involvement in non-park activities such as construction of parkways or a garage in connection with the Lincoln Center.

Facts: The Park Department and the State Department of Public Works do construct parkways and upon completion, the Park Department maintains them because they are under our jurisdiction, being elongated parks which contain bicycle paths, walks, playgrounds and planting as well as roadways for pleasure traffic. The Park Department constructs and operates parking facilities in connection with recreational facilities such as beaches, athletic areas, skating rinks and golf courses. Lincoln Center will be an outstanding recreational area as well as a cultural center. In accordance with a growing trend in other cities the roof of the Lincoln Center garage will be developed with Damrosch Park and public plazas, all mapped as park which the Park Department is required by the City Charter to develop and maintain.

2. You are quoted as stating that there has been "a lot of park acquisition," but many of these have been built by the Board of Education or in connection with housing developments and arterial construction, some of the latter being simply waste areas.



The Honorable Jerome Wilson

March 26, 1963

Facts: Jointly operated playgrounds are designed, constructed and maintained by the Park Department. Playgrounds constructed for the Park Department in connection with housing or arterial construction are designed and built according to our specifications and at our request. They are as valuable and heavily used as other park facilities and should not be depreciated because of the method of financing their construction. Even in your zeal for publicity in Manhattan, I assume you occasionally visit other boroughs and must have observed that the recreational areas along the parkways, and such park areas as those along the Expressway in Brooklyn Heights are far from being waste areas.

3. You are quoted as stating that the concrete surface under New York's play equipment makes for a high accident rate.

Facts: There is no justification for such a statement because it is not supported by fact. Concrete surface is not used under play equipment in the Park Department's playgrounds; it is used only for such facilities as handball and shuffleboard courts. There are minor accidents in connection with the use of our play equipment but our safety record is outstanding. The Park Department's playground equipment has been copied and used not only in nearby communities but throughout this country and in other parts of the world.

4. You are quoted as stating that in contrast to two other cities, New York's playground equipment is drab and obsolete and characterized by Army-type black and green paint.

Facts: You have been advised repeatedly that we have introduced in our playgrounds colored pavement, colored vinyl plastic fencing and bright colors on play slides, seesaws and other equipment. As for the equipment being drab and obsolete, the children who use it do not seem to consider it so and we have learned to have great respect for their opinions in such matters.

I suggest that you stop downgrading your city and its great park system which is the envied example for genuine experts in park design and operation in major cities throughout the free and civilized world. If that is too much to ask, I trust that in the future you will be accurate in your facts when addressing public meetings or issuing statements to the press.

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ NEWBOLD MORRIS

Commissioner



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK  
REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 1963

1-1-1--50M-719182 (62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces the opening of the following six golf courses on Saturday morning, March 30, 1963 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 Road, n/o Hutchinson River Parkway  
Pelham Bay Park

QUEENS: Kissena Golf Course  
North Hempstead Turnpike and Fresh Meadow Road  
Flushing

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

RICHMOND: LaTourette Golf Course  
Forest Hills Road and London Road

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

same date.

BRONX: Mosholu Golf Course  
Jerome Ave. and Holly's Lane at Woodlawn

BROOKLYN: Dyker Beach Golf Course  
86th Street and Seventh Avenue

QUEENS: Clearview Golf Course  
23rd Ave. & Willets Point Blvd., Bayside

RICHMOND: Silver Lake Golf Course  
Silver Lake Park on Victory Blvd. and Park Road

The opening of the North Hills Golf Course in Queens, and the Marine Park Golf Course in Brooklyn will be announced at a later date.

The fee for annual permits is \$ 15.00 and may be used on any course. An additional daily fee of 75¢ per round entitles the permit holder to play on weekdays, and an additional charge of \$ 1.25 per round is made on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. For non-permit holders, the daily fee per round from Monday through Friday will be \$ 1.75 and \$ 2.25 on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

The Permit Offices in all boroughs will be open on Saturdays till noon through June 29, 1963.

March 26, 1963



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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK  
REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

#5

1-1-1-50M-719182(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks announces that the ski slopes in Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx, will close for the season at the end of the day's business on Sunday, March 3, 1963.

The area will be reconditioned for the 1963 golf season which is scheduled to start on Saturday, March 30, 1963.



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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS  
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 15, 1963

#4

1-1-1-50M-719132(62) 447

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces that starting Monday, February 25, 1963 applications will be issued for the following seasonal positions.

SEASONAL PARKMAN

This position is open only for MEN.

Applications for this non-competitive position will be issued and received by the Department of Parks. No formal eligible list will result from the receipt of these applications.

**SALARY AND VACANCIES:** There are approximately 1003 seasonal positions in the Department of Parks at salaries of \$ 1.50 an hour. The employment period may extend from MARCH 15th to NOVEMBER 30th for a maximum of 200 days a year, not to exceed 6 days a week.

**REQUIREMENTS:** There are no formal educational or experience requirements for this position. This position requires extraordinary physical effort. Applicants will be required, therefore, to be in good physical condition.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: Under close supervision performs general park maintenance work at any park area, facility or building during seasonal operations, perform related work as required.

AGE: Open only to persons who have passed their 18th birthday by the last date for filing of application but shall not have passed their 60th birthday on the first date for filing of applications.

SEASONAL PARK HELPER

This position is open to MEN and WOMEN.

Applications for this non-competitive position will be issued and received by the Department of Parks. No formal eligible list will result from the receipt of these applications.

SALARY AND VACANCIES: There are approximately 1,567 seasonal positions in the Department of Parks at salaries not to exceed \$ 1.50 an hour. The Employment Period may extend from April 1 to November 30, 1963, for a maximum of 150 days a year, not to exceed 6 days a week.

REQUIREMENTS: There are no formal education or experience requirements for this position. Applicants will be required to be in good medical and physical condition.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: Under close supervision, performs attendance and light maintenance work at any park area, facility or building during seasonal operations; performs related work.

AGE: Open to persons who have passed their 16th birthday by the last date for filing of application. Minors under 18 years of age are required to obtain valid employment certificates or vacation work permits.

PLAYGROUND ASSISTANT

Applications for this non-competitive position will be issued and received by the Department of Parks. No formal eligible list will result from the receipt of these applications.

SALARY AND VACANCIES: There are approximately 736 summer seasonal positions from approximately June 17th through September 2nd, at a salary of \$1.50 an hour. Positions also exist for part-time employment at \$1.50 an hour after September 2nd, not to exceed a maximum of 24 hours a week.

REQUIREMENTS: Graduation from a senior high school; and either (1) one summer season of experience as an instructor, counselor, or coach in an organized recreation program; or (2) completion of 30 credits toward a baccalaureate degree in an accredited college or university; or (3) a satisfactory equivalent, but all candidates must be graduates of a senior high school.

NOTE: FIRST CONSIDERATION WILL BE GIVEN TO THOSE APPLICANTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED 30 OR MORE COLLEGE CREDITS.

DUTIES: Under supervision, supervises or assists in supervising the program of recreational activities in a playground area, small neighborhood play area or similar unit; performs related work.

AGE: This position is open to persons who shall not be over 35 years of age on the date of filing their application. Minors under 18 years of age are required to obtain valid employment certificates or vacation work permits.

ISSUE OF APPLICATIONS: Applications will be issued in person or by mail between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. from FEBRUARY 25th to APRIL 19, 1963, Monday through Fridays.

IMPORTANT

During the week of February 25 through March 1, 1963 applications for all seasonal positions will be issued and received ONLY at the Brooklyn War Memorial Recreation Center, located in Cadman Plaza, Brooklyn. The entrance is on Fulton Street between Orange and Pineapple Streets. This facility can be reached by the following means of transportations:

BMT Subway to Court Street Station.  
8th Avenue Subway "A" train -  
to High Street Station.  
IRT 7th Ave. to Clark Street Station.

THEREAFTER - From March 4 through April 19, 1963 applications will be issued and received Mondays through Fridays, at the



following offices of the Department of Parks:

ARSENAL BUILDING, 64 Street and Fifth Avenue, New York 21, New York.

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

ADMINISTRATION BLDG., Bronx Park E. and Birchall Ave., Bronx Park, Bronx 62, N. Y.

THE OVERLOOK, Union Turnpike and Park Lane S., Forest Park, Kew Gardens 15, N. Y.

CLOVES LAKES PARK, 1150 Clove Rd. West New Brighton, Staten Island 1, N. Y.

Application forms are mailed on request, provided that a self-addressed, 9-inch envelope, stamped 5 cents for return, is enclosed.

The Department of Parks will assume NO responsibility for delivery when issuing applications by mail.

FILING OF APPLICATIONS: Applications may be filed in person or by mail by the applicant or his authorized representative, from FEBRUARY 25th to APRIL 19, 1963, Mondays through Fridays, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the above mentioned offices of the Department of Parks. No application will be accepted unless it is on the application form issued by the Department of Parks.

Mr. Morris emphasized that:

Applicants for temporary seasonal employment will be considered in the order of filing applications.

Primary consideration will be given to applicants who had been previously employed with the Department of Parks and had performed satisfactory service.

Letters of recommendation are unnecessary. Applicants will be considered only upon the basis of their prior service or qualifications.

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FIRST SKI SLOPES IN NEW YORK CITY  
ARE OPENED IN VAN CORTLANDT PARK

Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks announces that the first skiing area in New York will be opened Thursday January 31, 1963 at 11:00 A.M. with ceremonies in Van Cortlandt Park, The Bronx.

Called the Van Cortlandt Ski Area, the new center opens up a popular recreation heretofore unavailable to thousands of people in Greater New York. It is designed for beginners and more experienced skiers, and is open days and evenings, with the use of snow-making equipment and floodlights.

The facilities include a training area, a slope for beginners, an intermediate slope, and a slope for more advanced skiers. Five rope tows have been installed to serve the slopes.

Commissioner Morris, a skiing enthusiast himself, said, "the new skiing area offers an opportunity for New Yorkers of all ages to participate in a sport which has rapidly increased in popularity throughout the nation."

The slopes are open to the public from noon to 10:30 p.m. on weekdays and from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. on weekends and holidays. For use of ropes and tows, skiers will pay \$2 on weekdays and \$3 on weekends and holidays. Children fourteen years of age or under will pay \$1 any day.

A rental service is provided with 1,000 pairs of skis, boots and poles for skiers who do not wish to bring their own equipment. For a \$3 rental charge, skiers will be outfitted with a pair of skis, boots and poles for the entire day and evening.

Refreshment stands have been installed, along with a first aid station.

Instructors are operating a ski school which offers private and group lessons.

Located in the southern section of Van Cortlandt Park, the skiing area may be reached by subway, bus or automobile. It is a 12-minute walk from the 242nd Street and Broadway local train station of the Seventh Avenue-Broadway IRT Subway line. Existing parking facilities may be used at the golf house near the ski slopes.

The snow-making machine consists of a network of underground pipes, connected to compressors. The compressors force a mixture of water and air through the pipes to a battery of nozzles which distribute a good cover of snow to all slopes.

The Van Cortlandt Ski Area is expected to attract skiers from all five boroughs as well as the surrounding suburbs. To date, the nearest organized ski slopes are about forty-five miles from the city line. Among those expected to make use of the slopes are beginning and more experienced skiers, when they find out-of-town ski excursions inconvenient.

Skiing as a family pastime has gained a considerable following during the past decade, with an estimated 4,000,000 Americans now visiting the nation's ski resorts annually and thousands more going abroad on special group ski flights.

Metropolitan Ski Slopes, Inc., was favored to operate the Van Cortlandt facility under agreement with the Department of Parks. The company also operates the Piper Hill ski area in Pipersville, Pa.



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THURSDAY, JANUARY 24, 1963 # 2

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Newbold Morris, Commissioner of Parks, announces the expansion of the story-telling program at the Children's Zoo in Central Park by the use of motion pictures and color slides on subjects related to animal life. The use of these informative and educational visual aids will help to stimulate the interest of children in natural history.

Story-telling sessions at the Children's Zoo are scheduled Monday through Friday at 3:30 P.M. and Saturdays at 11:00 A.M. Special sessions for school groups, by appointment only, are scheduled Monday through Friday at 10:30 A.M. and 1:30 P.M. The initial program will begin on Monday, January 28th.

The projectors for the showing of the films and slides are an additional gift from Governor and Mrs. Herbert H. Lehman who, on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary, donated the Children's Zoo to the City.

The Children's Zoo, located north of the Central Park Zoo, may be reached by the 64th or 67th Street entrances on Fifth Avenue. Admission is ten cents. Adults unaccompanied by children are admitted on Mondays only.



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Newbold Morris, Commissioner, announces that the New York City Department of Parks, at the request of many voluntary youth and social service agencies, is extending its free dance instruction service.

Joe and Alice Nash, Park Department Dance Specialists, will continue to be available in a series on the "Techniques of Dance Instruction" and the presentation of Folk, Square and Round Dance material for all ages.

The instruction sessions are held on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. at the Brooklyn War Memorial, Cadman Plaza and Orange Street in downtown Brooklyn. They will continue through April.

The series is being presented as a free Park Department Recreation Service to members of qualified organizations. For registration and further information call or write to:

Director of Recreation

Arsenal Building

64th Street and 5th Ave.

New York 21, N. Y.

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