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TRAIN TRIP TO BAYARD CUTTING ARBORETUM

The Administration of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and the American Youth Hostels will jointly sponsor a train trip to the Bayard Cutting Arboretum in Oakdale, Long Island, on Sunday, August 4th, August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Commissioner of Parks, announced today.

The Long Island Railroad will run a special train to the arboretum. The train will depart from Penn Station at 9:47 A. M. ; from Flatbush at 9:58 A. M. ; and from Jamaica at 10:10 A. M. , and will arrive at Great River at 11:04 A. M. The train will leave Great River on its return trip at 4:53 P. M.

All those interested in the Sunday outing should acquire tickets well in advance, as there is a limited supply. Round-trip tickets will be \$3.75 per person. Information and reservations may be obtained from the American Youth Hostel at 14 West 8th Street, in Manhattan, or by calling them at OR 4-1510.

The Arboretum property consists of 690 acres and was developed in accordance with plans made by Frederick Law Olmsted. Its vast land will be of interest to landscape architects, hikers, horticulturists, camera groups, and those who love the outdoors.

Those who make the trip may bring their own picnic lunch or may purchase lunches at the picnic areas at the Arboretum or at Heckscher State Park, a stone's throw away.

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The fiesta will begin with the music of guitarist and singer Cruz Martinez, whose ballads express the joys and troubles of the Puerto Rican in New York City. Other groups of musicians will present the national folklore of Puerto Rico.

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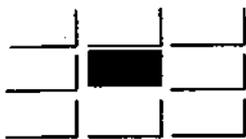
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2. Howard Pisons	66 Grant St.	Richmond	10-28-52	Curtis
3. Isaac Devore	681 Courtlandt Ave.	Bronx	8-25-52	J.H.S. 120
4. Kevin Castora	2500 Frisby Ave	Bronx	5-17-53	Spellman
5. Raymond Edwards	159-02 199 Ave. Jamaica	Queens	9-6-52	Van Buren
6. Melvin Utley	14-76 Beach Channel Dr. Far Rockaway	Queens	1-2-53	J.H.S. 180
7. Gregory Allen	113-20 199 St. St. Albans	Queens	11-22-53	St. Pascal
8. Bo Taylor	88 St. Edwards St.	B'klyn	11-22-53	Sawds J.H.S.
9. Phillip Sellers	290 Stone Ave.	B'klyn	11-20-53	J.H.S. 263
10. Larry Pogle	1414 Bergen St.	B'klyn	3-19-53	Cumunham J.H.S.

ALTERNATES

1. Ralph Midgette	162 Troy Ave.	B'klyn	1-17-53	Boys High
2. Lloyd McCrorey	1272 Prospect Pl.	B'klyn	2-10-53	Boys High
3. Dennis Burke	80--73 78 Road	Queens	3-19-53	St. John's Prep
4. Kenny King	52 Warren St.	Richmond	7-27-53	J.H.S. 49
5. Allen Huesten	550 Cauldwell Ave.	Bronx	9-16-52	Dewitt Clinton

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Queens
Manhattan

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BASKETBALL

RAY SCOTT Former all-American at the University of Portland, Oregon. As a member of the N.B.A. Baltimore Bullets for the past 3 years, has been 6th in the league in rebounds.

BASEBALL

LARRY DOBY Former Cleveland Indian centerfielder. The first Negro to play baseball for the American League. He was noted for his superb fielding.

FOOTBALL

ED LE BARON

Director, Summer Sports and Recreation Program, President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports. An outstanding quarterback for the Washington Redskins and Dallas Cowboys, National Football League teams. Has played in many All-Star games, and in spite of his comparatively small size, was one of the most durable players in the game.

R.C. OWEN

Former San Francisco 49'er football player who played with the Baltimore Colts before his retirement.

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EDITH MCGUIRE 100 meter and 200 meter Outdoor Champion 1964 - 200 meter Olympic Champion. 100 meter and 400 meter relay, 2nd Place. In 1966, voted "the most outstanding female in the Indoor National Meet."

RALPH BOSTON 1964 Olympic Long Jump Silver Medalist. Has held World and National Records in the long jump.

BASKETBALL

RAY SCOTT Former all-American at the University of Portland, Oregon. As a member of the N.B.A. Baltimore Bullets for the past 3 years, has been 6th in the league in rebounds.

BASEBALL

LARRY DOBY Former Cleveland Indian centerfielder. The first Negro to play baseball for the American League. He was noted for his superb fielding.

FOOTBALL

ED LE BARON

Director, Summer Sports and Recreation Program, President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports. An outstanding quarterback for the Washington Redskins and Dallas Cowboys, National Football League teams. Has played in many All-Star games, and in spite of his comparatively small size, was one of the most durable players in the game.

R.C. OWEN

Former San Francisco 49'er football player who played with the Baltimore Colts before his retirement.

In addition to these two clinics, other athletes will appear at other Parks Department facilities to meet and greet New York youngsters and to teach and coach in their respective sports:

DONNA DE VARONA, member of the 1960 and 1964 Olympic teams, and a world renowned record holder, will appear at the combined Parks Department and A.A.U. Swimming Meet at the Tompkinsville Pool, Victory Blvd. and Murray Hulbert Avenue, Staten Island, on Wednesday, July 17th at 4 P.M. Miss de Varona will also appear at the Thomas Jefferson swimming pool, 111 Street and First Avenue in Manhattan, on Thursday, July 18th at 10 A.M., to work with the boys and girls who have registered with the Learn-to-Swim Program.

An instruction period in gymnastics will be another feature of the sports clinic. To be held at St. Mary's Recreation Center, St. Ann's Avenue and E. 146th St. in the Bronx on Wednesday, July 17th at 6 P.M., the gymnastics will be under the direction of Mike Jacobson, Head Gymnastics Coach at University of Iowa and former Assistant Coach at the U.S. Naval Academy.

All boys and girls who are interested in attending any of these clinics are invited to come, free of charge.

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Every week for seven weeks, forty children from each borough - twenty from each of two selected Board of Education Vacation Day Camps - will journey to the nature study site in their borough. There they will investigate the interrelationships among living things under the supervision of city teachers, most of whom have received special training from the Wave Hill Center for Environmental Study, High Rock Conservation Center, or the Audubon Society. They have also received on the site training through a grant from the American Conservation Association.

The sites were selected to include a wide variety of natural features in good condition. They include the seashore and wooded wilderness of Pelham Bay Park, Bronx; the natural woodlands of High Rock Park, Staten Island, and Alley Pond Park, Queens. The man-made habitats of Central and Prospect Parks round out the five areas selected.

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The program was established under a grant of \$45,000 from Title I of the Federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act, the division of the act which provides funds for anti-poverty programs. \$8,500 was supplied by the Mayor's Urban Task Force to pay for buses to transport the children to and from the parks.

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More than a thousand dogs with their owners have previously taken part in these classes. Dogs enrolled in the Obedience Course must be inoculated and licensed, and owners must bring a training leash and link chain collar. An application blank is necessary to enroll your dog in the course; for information call 699-4206.

The classes, delayed by the long illness suffered by Mr. Ciccio, have been scheduled beginning Tuesday July 16, 1968.

For years Mr. Ciccio has specialized in producing cooperative canines and contented owners. Once again, Mr. Ciccio invites all city dog-owners to become "happy masters!"

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BROOKLYN

Kate Wollman Rink, Prospect Park at Lincoln Road and Parkside Avenue, Wednesdays from 9 A. M. to Noon

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BRONX

Playground, Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue Wednesdays from 2 to 5 P. M.

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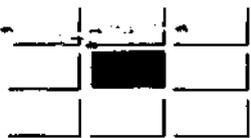
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APA - PHOENIX MOBILE UNIT TO TOUR NEW YORK CITY

An APA-Phoenix Mobile Unit, a new innovation in the city of New York, will tour the city during the months of July and August, performing a play by Joseph Hurley, entitled "New York and Who to Blame It On", announced August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Commissioner of Parks.

The play, directed by Donald Moffat of the Phoenix Repertoire Company, casts a group of six actors specially contracted for the mobile unit. A musical play, "New York and Who to Blame It On", traces the history of New York all the way back from Peter Minuet to the present through music and song from the different eras. Songs in several languages and audience participation will keep the audience on their toes. The play is unique in that it is geared for the entire family's entertainment.

Following is the unit's schedule of performances:

BROOKLYN - JULY 19 to 21

- July 19th - Wollman Rink, Prospect Park, 4:00 P. m.
Canarsie Beach Park, 7:00 P. M.
- July 20th - Lincoln Terrace Park, 4:00 P. M.
Leon S. Kaiser Playground, 7:00 P. M.
- July 21st - Seaside Park, 4:00 P. M.
Lindover Park, 7:00 P. M.

BRONX - JULY 23 to 27

- July 23rd - Poe Park, 4:00 P. M. & 7:00 P. M.
- July 24th - Bronx Park East, 4:00 P. M. & 7:00 P. M.

- July 25th - Van Cortlandt Park, 1:30 P. M. & 4:00 P. M.
 July 26th - Public School 127, 4:00 P. M.
 Peiham House Playground, 7:00 P. M.
 July 27th - Edenwald Houses Playground, 4:00 P. M. & 7:00 P. M.

QUEENS - JULY 30 to AUGUST 2

- July 30th - Baisley Park, 4:00 P. M.
 St. Albans Memorial Park, 7:00 P. M.
 July 31st - George Harvey Playground, 4:00 P. M.
 Bowne Park, 7:00 P. M.
 August 1st - Maurice Park, 4:00 P. M.
 Juniper Valley Park, 7:00 P. M.
 August 2nd - Jacob Riis Park, 4:00 P. M.
 O'Donahue Park, 7:00 P. M.

MANHATTAN - AUGUST 6 to 18

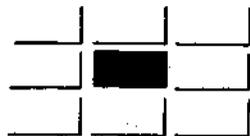
- August 6th - John Jay playground, 3:30 P. M.
 Franklin Plaza Co-op, 6:30 P. M.
 August 7th - Riverside Park, 3:30 P. M.
 Hybridge Park, 6:30 P. M.
 August 8th - Washington Square Park, 3:30 P. M. & 6:30 P. M.
 August 9th - Seward Park, 3:30 P. M. & 6:30 P. M.
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 August 15th - Inwood Park, 3:30 P. M.
 Isham Park, 6:30 P. M.
 August 16th - Tompkins Park, 3:30 P. M. & 6:30 P. M.
 August 17th - Walker Playground, 3:30 P. M.
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The twenty-five man Sunjet Steelband makes use of 60 oil drums as instruments. The drums, of various sizes, are tuned and cut to have a 36-note range. They can be used to play different types of music, including pop, classical, and "jump-up" calypso. Developed in Trinidad in 1945, steeldrums and steelband music are fast becoming a popular source of entertainment.

The BWIA Steelband is from Trinidad, and has previously performed at Radio City Music Hall and for the Governor of Trinidad.

The scheduled performances are as follows:

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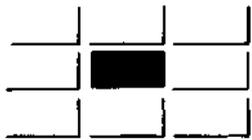
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Featured in this park is a sculpture by Mon Levinson.

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Featured in this park is a sculpture by Mon Levinson.

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Philip Shul, age 83, Brooklyn - "Woman Playing Mandolin"

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Tennis clinics are located as follows:

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1. Playground, W. 151 St. & 7th Ave.
2. East River Park at Rivington St., 2 P.M. to 4 P.M.

Brooklyn

1. Kaiser Park, Neptune Ave. & West 25 St.
2. Ft. Greene Park, Dekalb & South Portland Aves.
3. Lincoln Terrace Park, Buffalo & Rochester Aves.
4. McCarren Park, Driggs Ave. & Lorimer St.
5. Playground, Linden Blvd. & Stanley Ave.
6. Red Hook Rec. Area, Verona, Dwight, Pioneer and Richards Sts.
7. St. John's Rec. Center, Prospect Pl. betw. Troy & Schenectady Aves.

Bronx

1. Crotona Park, East, E. 173 St. & Crotona Ave. Monday, Tues., Weds.
2. St. Mary's Park, East 147 St. & Jackson Ave. Thurs, Fri.

Queens

1. Astoria Park, 21 St. & Hoyt Ave., Astoria
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3. Highland Park, Lower Jamaica Ave. & Elton St., Cypress Hills 9:30-11:30 A.M.
4. Liberty Park, Liberty Ave. & 173 St., Jamaica, 4:30-6:30 Mond, Weds.
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Following are the 30 jogging areas:

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Central Park: Reservoir, 90th St. and 5th Ave.

Inwood Park: Gaelic Football Field, 215th St.

Sheep Meadow: W. 66 - 67 Sts., betw. West and East Drives, Central Park

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Van Cortlandt Park Parade Grounds: 241st St. and Broadway

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BROOKLYN

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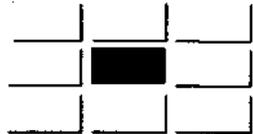
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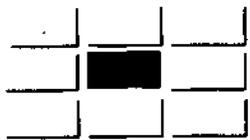
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HARLEM CULTURAL FESTIVAL TO TOUR CITY

Tony Lawrence, Director of the Harlem Cultural Festival, and his Soul Brothers Band will tour the city and bring live soul music to four neighborhood parks, announced August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Commissioner of Parks.

In addition to the Soul Brothers Band, Miss Sharon Redd, and The Popular Five, two winners of the Schaefer Talent Hunt, will tour with Mr. Lawrence. Schaefer Talent Hunt winners are known to be tops in entertainment, as proven by former winners Louis Armstrong, The Serendipity Singers, and Carol Lawrence. Radio D. J.'s Eddie O'Jay of WLIB, Frankie Crocker of WWRL, and WNJR's Hal Jackson will also be on hand.

Schaefer Beer, sponsors of the Harlem Cultural Festival are also underwriting this tour of neighborhood parks.

The four shows will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 P. M. at the following locations:

Wednesday, August 7th	Kaiser Park ballfield area, Bayview & Neptune Avenues, Coney Island
Thursday, August 8th	Carver Houses Amphitheater, 102nd Street between Park & Madison Avenues, Manhattan
Friday, August 9th	Crotona Park, Crotona Avenue & Claremont Parkway, Bronx
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In addition to the Soul Brothers Band, Miss Sharon Redd, and The Popular Five, two winners of the Schaefer Talent Hunt, will tour with Mr. Lawrence. Schaefer Talent Hunt winners are known to be tops in entertainment, as proven by former winners Louis Armstrong, The Serendipity Singers, and Carol Lawrence. Radio D. J.'s Eddie O'Jay of WLIB, Frankie Crocker of WWRL, and WNJR's Hal Jackson will also be on hand.

Schaefer Beer, sponsors of the Harlem Cultural Festival are also underwriting this tour of neighborhood parks.

The four shows will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 P. M. at the following locations:

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| Wednesday, August 7th | Kaiser Park ballfield area, Bayview & Neptune Avenues, Coney Island |
| Thursday, August 8th | Carver Houses Amphitheater, 102nd Street between Park & Madison Avenues, Manhattan |
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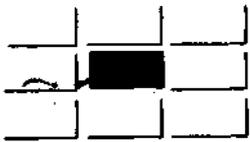
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Mr. Robert De Leon, master of ceremonies, mentioned the names of several of the many people in the neighborhood who contributed toward the development of the park: Mrs. Carmen Livigne, Mr. Dale McConathy and Mr. Tom Isbell.

The second vest pocket park ceremony began with a motorcade at 7:00, at the fire station at Ogden Avenue and West 165th Street, Bronx, which moved down a few blocks to the park which is at E. L. Grant Highway. Mr. Ed Rubin, a volunteer PAL worker from the 44th Street Precinct, was master of ceremonies.

The history of this park includes community efforts by Mrs. Verdell Ray, Mrs. Jackie Amen, Mrs. Miriam Christian and members of the Highbridge Neighborhood Improvement District Program, the Highbridge Tenants Association, and the Woodycrest Tree Saving Committee.

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Location: South side of 102 St. betw. Lexington & Third Avenues
Manhattan
Size: 7,500 square feet
Architect: M. Paul Friedberg and Associates
Cost: \$36,550
Facilities: Timber play units
2 Rainbow ladders
3 Slides
See - saw
Tire swing
Tree house
2 Fireman's poles
Sand area
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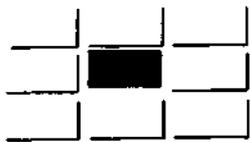
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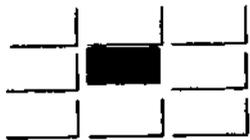
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FLOODLIGHTING OF BALLFIELD IN CROTONA PARK

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Avenues, Bronx

Designer: Joe Conway, Design Division, Department of Parks

Estimated Cost: \$145,000

Description of construction: Eight steel poles, each eighty feet high.

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base infield and four in the outfield. 152 projectors are distri-
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The matches are being sponsored by the PRCA Administration under the sanction of the United States Lawn Tennis Association. If the tournament proves successful this year, it will become a permanent competition on the USLTA's summer circuit.

Commissioner Heckscher outlined the purpose of the tournament: "Too often, viewing championship tennis has been reserved for those who could afford to pay the substantial fees at private clubs. More people should have the chance to see tennis at its best and this tournament, on city courts with free admission, should give New Yorkers this opportunity."

Chuck McKinley, former Wimbledon Champion, Gene Scott, and Billy Talbert, former U.S. Davis Cup Captain, were present at the press conference. Both McKinley and Scott will compete in the tournament. Talbert will be the official tournament referee.

The four top seeded players in the New York tournament are, in order, Ron Holmberg, Gene Scott, Chuck McKinley and Joaquin Loyo-Mayo. Sixteen participants represent eight countries (Mexico, Argentina, Pakistan, British West Indies, Brazil, ~~England~~, and the United States): the complete list of players and their tournament position will be released later this week.

Seating will be provided at all tournament locations and bleachers will be set up for the finals in Central Park on August 14 at 4 P.M.

Match referees will be from the Eastern Tennis Umpires Association. Linesmen will be enlisted from local tennis enthusiasts and ball boys from children who are enrolled in the city's free tennis clinic, Operation Tennis.

A list of the locations and hours of the tournament is on the attached sheet.

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Aug. 12 2-7 P.M.

Aug. 13 4 P.M. to dark

Baisley Pond Park, 155 St. and 118 Ave., Queens

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Aug. 13 4 P.M. to dark

Hard surface courts #2 and #4 will be used.

Lincoln Terrace Park, Buffalo and Rochester Aves., Bklyn

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Hard surface courts #4 and #6 will be used.

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Aug. 14 4 P.M. to dark

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The matches are being sponsored by the PRCA Administration under the sanction of the United States Lawn Tennis Association. If the tournament proves successful this year, it will become a permanent competition on the USLTA's summer circuit.

Commissioner Heckscher outlined the purpose of the tournament: "Too often, viewing championship tennis has been reserved for those who could afford to pay the substantial fees at private clubs. More people should have the chance to see tennis at its best and this tournament, on city courts with free admission, should give New Yorkers this opportunity."

Chuck McKinley, former Wimbledon Champion, Gene Scott, and Billy Talbert, former U.S. Davis Cup Captain, were present at the press conference. Both McKinley and Scott will compete in the tournament. Talbert will be the official tournament referee.

The four top seeded players in the New York tournament are, in order, Ron Holmberg, Gene Scott, Chuck McKinley and Joaquin Loyo-Mayo. Sixteen participants represent eight countries (Mexico, Argentina, Pakistan, British West Indies, Brazil, England, and the United States): the complete list of players and their tournament position will be released later this week.

Seating will be provided at all tournament locations and bleachers will be set up for the finals in Central Park on August 14 at 4 P.M.

Match referees will be from the Eastern Tennis Umpires Association. Linesmen will be enlisted from local tennis enthusiasts and ball boys from children who are enrolled in the city's free tennis clinic, Operation Tennis.

A list of the locations and hours of the tournament is on the attached sheet.

Highland Park, Jamaica Ave. and Elton St., Queens

Aug. 12 2-7 P.M.

Aug. 13 4 P.M. to dark

Baisley Pond Park, 155 St. and 118 Ave., Queens

Aug. 12 2-7 P.M.

Aug. 13 4 P.M. to dark

Hard surface courts #2 and #4 will be used.

Lincoln Terrace Park, Buffalo and Rochester Aves., Bklyn

Aug. 12 2-7 P.M.

Aug. 13 2-7 P.M.

Clay courts #8 and #10 will be used.

Harlem Houses, 151 St. and 7th Ave., Manhattan

Aug. 12 2-7 P.M.

Aug. 13 2-7 P.M.

Hard surface courts #4 and #6 will be used.

Central Park, 93 St. and West Drive, Manhattan

Aug. 14 4 P.M. to dark

Clay court #5 will be used.

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FESTIVAL TO COMMEMORATE "CELEBRATION OF LIFE" MURAL

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The event, presented by the Departments of Recreation and Cultural Affairs of the PRCA Administration, also marks the end of the first year of the pilot creative arts workshop, administered by the Department of Cultural Affairs under the direction of Mrs. Doris Freedman. The mural represents the major project of the ceramics workshop at the Center.

One of the mural's panels, made of cement with carefully placed ceramic tiles, has a message which reads "celebrate life". When an employee at the Alfred E. Smith Recreation Center saw the message, he said, "I've watched the mural going up and I see in how many different ways people can celebrate life, and they are all so beautiful."

The festivities on August 15th will be highlighted by a 'le chon asado' - a feast to be centered around roast pig generously prepared by members of the community. The celebration will include slides documenting the mural workshop; a volleyball tournament; live music by neighborhood bands; and dancing.

The enthusiasm generated by this mural has given rise to a new celebration of life in the Alfred E. Smith neighborhood, and the community will create a second mural for another location on the day of our celebration.

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Sadie and Larry Liama
residing at the Central Park Zoo
proudly announce the birth of their son

Fernando

on August 4th, 1968

weight: 30 pounds

can now be seen in the Antelope House

Note: Mother and son are doing fine, and baby is nursing quite well.

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PRESS PARTY PRESENTS MISS HARLEM TALENT

Tony Lawrence, Director of the Harlem Cultural Festival will hold a gala party open to press and public alike on Monday evening, August 12th at 10 P. M. at Big Wilt's Small's Paradise at which the MissHarlem finalists will preview their beauty and skills in the performing arts, August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs announced today. Small's Paradise is located at 2294 7th Avenue, between 134th and 135th Streets in Manhattan.

From the nine contestants, one will be chosen Miss Harlem on August 25th, at 3 P. M. in Mount Morris Park, 124th Street and Fifth Avenue, Manhattan.

The party, sponsored by the F & M Schaefer Brewing Co., WNEW-TV, and the Mayor's Urban Action Task Force, will include entertainment provided by the Tony Lawrence Soul Band, the Lou Parks Dancers. D. J.'s Frankie Croker, Eddie O'Jay, Hal Jackson, and Shelton Lewis will be on hand. Miss Carol Price, a former Miss Subways, will also join the festivities.

Ice cold beer donated by the Schaefer Brewing Co. will be served along with other refreshments.

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PRESS MEMORANDUM:

HECKSCHER TO OPEN NEW VEST POCKET PARK IN MANHATTAN

August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Commissioner of Parks, will officially open the vest pocket park on East 5th Street between Avenues C and D, Manhattan, on Thursday, August 15th, at 11 A.M.

The small experimental park is one of ten parks which have been funded by the New York City Administration of PRCA and the Federal Government under an Urban Beautification Development Grant.

The prize-winning firm of M. Paul Friedberg and Associates designed all the parks, seven of which are completed and in use.

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ADMINISTRATOR HECKSCHER ANNOUNCES NAMES AND POSITIONS OF TOP AMATEUR PLAYERS IN
NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT

The names and tournament positions of the top ranking amateur players from eight countries who will be competing in the New York International Tennis Tournament on August 12, 13, and 14 were announced today by August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs. The tournament, sponsored by the PRCA Administration and sanctioned by the United States Lawn Tennis Association, is the first major amateur tournament ever to be held on municipal courts and to which admission is free.

The first and second rounds of the men's singles competition will begin Monday afternoon, at 2 P.M. at four locations in three boroughs - Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens. The men's doubles competition will begin Tuesday in the same locations at 4 P.M. The finals will occur in Central Park on Wednesday at 4 P.M.

The four top seeded players are Ron Holmberg, United States; Chuck McKinley, United States; Joaquin Loyo-Mayo, Mexico; and Richard Russell, British West Indies. The complete list of the participants is on the attached sheet. If the tournament is successful this year, it will become a permanent stop on the USLTA's summer circuit.

Seating will be provided at all the tournament locations and bleachers will be set up for the finals. The courts utilized for the tournament are located as follows: Highland Park (HP), Jamaica Avenue and Elton Street, Queens; Baisley Pond Park (BP), 155 Street and 118th Avenue, Queens; Lincoln Terrace Park (LTP), Buffalo and Rochester Avenues, Brooklyn; Harlem Houses Playground (HHP), 151 Street and 7th Avenue, Manhattan; Central Park, 93 Street and West Drive, Manhattan.

The draw sheet for the singles competition is attached.

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1968 New York International Tennis Tournament

Charles R. McKinley - Bedford, N.Y.

Mon. 2 P.M. - Lincoln Terrace Park

Roberto Marcher - Brazil

Mon.
5 P.M.
LTP

Richard Knight - Seattle, Wash.

Mon. 2 P.M. - Lincoln Terrace Park

Haroum Rahim - Pakistan

Tues.
2 P.M.
HHP

Tito Vasquez - Argentina

Mon. 2 P.M. - Harlem Houses Plgd.

Sherwood Stewart - Bayton, Texas

Mon.
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HHP

Mike Maxcin - San Gabriel, Calif.

Mon. 2 P.M. - Harlem Houses Plgd.

Joaquin Loyo-Mayo - Mexico

Weds.
4 P.M.
Cent.
Park

Ray Moore - Union of So. Africa

Mon. 2 P.M. - Highland Park

Paul Cranis - New York, N.Y.

Mon.
5 P.M.
HP

Richard Russell - British West Indies

Mon. 2 P.M. - Highland Park

George Seawagen, Jr. - Bayside, N.Y.

Tues.
2 P.M.
LTP

Peter Fishback - Great Neck, N.Y.

Mon. 2 P.M. - Baisley Park

Tom Gorman - Seattle, Wash.

Mon.
5 P.M.
BP

Humphrey Hose - Venezuela

Mon. 2 P.M. - Baisley Park

Ronald Holmberg - Highland Falls, N.Y.

Seedings

1. Ron Holmberg
2. Ray Moore
3. Chuck McKinley
4. J. Loyo-Mayo



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EAST SIDE AMPHITHEATRE PRESENTS WORKSHOP MUSICAL

A big musical production entitled, "Making Music Together", will be presented at the East Side Amphitheater, Grand Street and the East River in Manhattan, on Friday, August 16th, announced August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Commissioner of Parks. Curtain time is 7:00 P.M.

The musical, directed by Mr. Ollie Shearer, will be performed by members of a music workshop which is conducted by Mr. Shearer at the Alfred E. Smith Recreation Center. Sponsored by the Cultural Affairs Department of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Administration, the production will feature both professional and amateur talent.

"Making Music Together" spotlights a variety of musical forms, including jazz, folk, opera and dance. It is a show that will be enjoyed by young and old alike.

Admission is free.

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HUDSON TROUBADOUR TO PERFORM IN RIVERSIDE PARK

A modern day troubadour will give a '68 style minstrel show in Riverside Park, 105th Street and Riverside Drive in Manhattan, on Friday, August 16th from 2 to 6 P.M., August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs, announced today.

Don McLean, dubbed "the Hudson Troubadour" because he holds his shows at locations that follow the course of the Hudson River, will delight his audience with his talents, as a folk-singer, songwriter, and guitar and banjo player. In this performance co-sponsored by the New York State Council on the Arts, Mr. McLean will weave tales of the legends and events of the Hudson River Valley and exchange views about folk art with his audience as he gives his renditions of traditional ballads. The Hudson Troubadour will also include some of his own songs about today's America in his program.

Adults and children of all ages are invited to Riverside Park to join the Hudson Troubadour for this session of singing and friendly chatting.

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PUERTO RICO SINGS '68

The complete schedule of Puerto Rican Sings '68 is now available, announced August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Commissioner of Parks.

Puerto Rico Sings, featuring a group of young singers, Los Muchachos di San Juan, and a cast of thirty Neighborhood Youth Corps and Urban Corps workers, is making a three week tour of parks throughout the city.

Puerto Rico Sings '68 will be at the following parks. All performances begin at 8 P.M.

8/14 7th St. betw. Ave. A & Ave. B
8/15 102nd St. betw. 3rd Ave. and Lexington Ave., Manhattan
8/16 Joyce Kilmer Park, Grand Concourse, E. 161 St. to E. 164 St., Bronx
8/19 Washington Square Park, Manhattan
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8/27 P.S. 1, Sunset Park Area, Brooklyn
8/28 Bronx Park, Bronx Park East & Lydig Ave., Bronx
8/29 Linton Park, Bradford St., Blake, Dumont, & Miller Aves., Brooklyn
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8/31 103rd St. & Riverside Park, Manhattan

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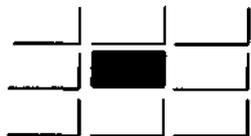
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Beginning Thursday, 100 lunches provided by Horn & Hardart will be delivered to Colonial Playcamp at 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue in Manhattan for a period of fifteen days. The lunches will be available to the playcamp children at no cost.

The annual Colonial Park Playcamp Carnival, at which children from four neighboring Park Department playcamps will also participate, will begin at 1:30 P.M. In honor of the opening of the program, all 250 children attending the carnival will receive lunches and, as a special treat, will have pie for dessert.

Lunch on August 15th is being served at 12 Noon. The press is invited to join the children of Colonial and have lunch and a piece of pie.

Come and join the carnival!

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FIRST OUTDOOR MURAL BY CONTEMPORARY NEW YORK ARTIST TO BE PRESENTED

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The completion of this outdoor mural, the first under the auspices of the Department of Cultural Affairs, is another attempt by the Department to enrich the cultural environment of the city by the utilization of neighborhood space. Its first major effort was the "Sculpture in Environment" show last fall. Two murals at Sylvan Place on 121st Street between Lexington and Third Avenues, were recently completed and a number of walls were painted in a vest pocket park on 123rd Street between Lexington and Third by Harlem youngsters in the Inner-City Workshop Program, under the supervision of artist William Williams.

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Mr. Wiegand, whose work is an abstract of red and yellow diagonals on a green ground, has presented five one-man shows in New York and participated in over 30 group shows.

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HECKSCHER OPENS VEST POCKET PARK IN MANHATTAN

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The gala celebration started with the opening ceremonies and continued through the day with entertainment by local talent and a pig roast. Epifanio Jordan of the Movimiento Puertorriqueños Unidos and Master of Ceremonies, praised that local organization and all the neighborhood people who had contributed to the development of the park: Sonia Martinez, Confessora Lopez, Anna Kladek, Mal Sokol, Tom Yahn, Jack Issac, Mauricia Perez and Mrs. Gloria San Antonio.

Commissioner Heckscher said, "There is a growing need to make the city a more pleasant place to live and to play. This park, we hope, will offer the neighborhood, young and old, a facility which they can all enjoy. The park is now yours - but don't forget, we need your help to keep it clean and to plan the best uses for it."

The park is 2,300 square feet and cost approximately \$36,252. Facilities include pipe and cable play units, rainbow ladder, slide, tire swing, fireman's pole, sand area and a shelter.

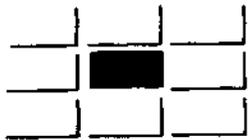
This park is one of ten small, experimental parks designed by M. Paul Friedberg and Associates and funded by the New York City PRCA Administration and an Urban Beautification Development Grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. Eight of the parks have already been completed. Each community helped select the site and worked with the Administration on the design and programming of their own park.

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PLAYGROUNDS CONSTRUCTED THIS YEAR

August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs, announced today the completion of seven playgrounds in various boroughs at a cost of \$1.1 million.

MANHATTAN

Colonel Charles Young Playground; Lenox Avenue, betw. 143rd St. & 145th St.; Designer: Levine & Blumberg, Architects; 6.423 acres
Cost: \$230,000
Facilities: softball diamond, paddle tennis, picnic tables, basketball courts

East 8th Street to East 10th Street, portion of East River Park east of Franklin D. Roosevelt Drive; Designer: Levine & Blumberg, Architects; 3.7 acres

BROOKLYN

Playground adjacent to Public School 120, south of Flushing Ave., betw. Beaver St. and Garden St.; Designer: Blauvelt Engineering; 1 acre
Cost: \$201,278
Facilities: volleyball courts, basketball courts, shuffleboard, umbrellas, tables, benches, slides, swings

Playground adjacent to Public School 23, west of Tompkins Avenue, betw. Willoughby Ave. & Vernon Ave.; Designer: Levine & Blumberg, Architects; 1 acre
Cost: \$145,000
Facilities: contemporary play equipment, shower spray, sandpits, game tables, handball courts, basketball courts, shuffleboard, roller skating area

Playground adjacent to Public School 1, south of 3rd Ave., betw. 46th St. and 47th St.; Designer: Levine & Blumberg, Architects; 1.5 acres
Cost: \$220,000
Facilities: Shower spray, handball courts, basketball courts

RICHMOND

Playground adjacent to Public School 31; opposite Bismarck Court, south of Crescent Ave. & Jersey St.; Designer: Shumavon, Buckley, & Goul.
Cost: \$89,265
Facilities: basketball courts, volleyball courts, shuffleboard, paddle tennis, drinking fountain

QUEENS

Playground adjacent to Public School 195, 253rd St., betw. 149th Ave. & 149th Road; Designer: Vollmar Associates
Cost: \$34,500
Fill of land.

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East 8th Street to East 10th Street, portion of East River Park east of Franklin D. Roosevelt Drive; Designer: Levine & Blumberg, Architects; 3.7 acres

BROOKLYN

Playground adjacent to Public School 120, south of Flushing Ave., betw. Beaver St. and Garden St.; Designer: Blauvelt Engineering; 1 acre
Cost: \$201,278
Facilities: volleyball courts, basketball courts, shuffleboard, umbrellas, tables, benches, slides, swings

Playground adjacent to Public School 23, west of Tompkins Avenue, betw. Willoughby Ave. & Vernon Ave.; Designer: Levine & Blumberg, Architects; 1 acre
Cost: \$145,000
Facilities: contemporary play equipment, shower spray, sandpits, game tables, handball courts, basketball courts, shuffleboard, roller skating area

Playground adjacent to Public School 1, south of 3rd Ave., betw. 46th St. and 47th St.; Designer: Levine & Blumberg, Architects; 1.5 acres
Cost: \$220,000
Facilities: Shower spray, handball courts, basketball courts

RICHMOND

Playground adjacent to Public School 31; opposite Bismarck Court, south of Crescent Ave. & Jersey St.; Designer: Shumavon, Buckley, & Goul
Cost: \$89,265
Facilities: basketball courts, volleyball courts, shuffleboard, paddle tennis, drinking fountain

QUEENS

Playground adjacent to Public School 195, 253rd St., betw. 149th Ave. & 149th Road; Designer: Vollmer Associates
Cost: \$34,500
Fill of land.

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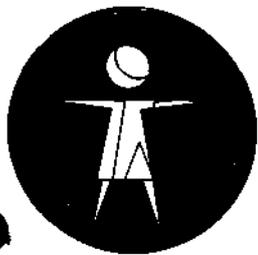
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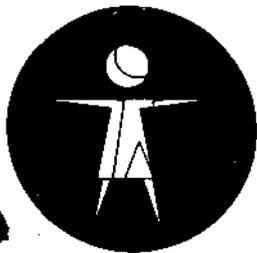
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OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOLS REMAIN OPEN UNTIL SEPTEMBER 8, 1968

All outdoor swimming pools and mini pools will remain open to the public until Sunday, September 8, 1968, today announced August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Commissioner of Parks.

"Because it has been an unusually hot summer and schools will not begin until September 9th, we have decided to extend the use of these facilities another week," explained Commissioner Heckscher.

The City's eighteen outdoor swimming pools and all the mini pools will operate during the same hours as the summer months: pools will be open from 10 A.M. to 10 P.M. every day of the week; mini pools will remain open from 9 A.M. to 6 P.M. and only for children 14 years of age and under.

Locations of the mini pools are as follows:

MANHATTAN

Mount Morris Park Madison Ave. & 120-124th Sts.
Tompkins Square Park Ave. A, Ave. B, betw. E. 7th St. to E. 10th St.

BROOKLYN

Tompkins Park Tompkins betw. Lafayette & Green Aves.
Sterling Place & Howard Ave. North of Eastern Parkway
Linton Park Dumont, Blake, Miller Aves. & Bradford St.
Howard Ave., Dean and Pacific Sts.
Bushwick Park Knickerbocker & Willoughby Sts.
P.S. 120 Playground Adelphi, north of DeKalb
P.S. 284 Playground Brownsville Houses
Williamsburg Houses Scholes St. & Graham Ave.

QUEENS

Liberty Park Liberty Ave. betw. 172nd & 173rd Sts.
P.S. 127 25th Ave. & 98th St.
Queensbridge Vernon & 40th Aves., Bridge Plaza North

BRONX

Millbrook Houses Playground 135th St. betw. St. Ann's & Cypress Aves.
Belmont Playground 182nd St. & Belmont Ave.
P.S. 150 Fox & Tiffany Sts., South of E. 167th St.

RICHMOND

South Beach Houses Playground McLean & Parkinson Ave. & Kramer St.

Locations of outdoor swimming pools are as follows:

MANHATTAN

Carmine St. Pool	Clarkson St. & 7th Ave.
Colonial Pool	Bradhurst Ave. & West 145th St.
E. 23rd St. Pool	at Asser Levy Place
Hamilton Fish Pool	East Houston & Sheriff Sts.
Highbridge Pool	Amsterdam Ave. & W. 173rd St.
John Jay Pool	77th St., one block east of York Ave. at Cherokee Pl.
Loula P. Lasker Memorial Pool	Central Park, opposite 110th St. & Lenox Ave.
Thomas Jefferson Pool	111th St. & 1st Ave.
West 59th St. Pool	betw. West End & Amsterdam Aves.

BROOKLYN

Betsy Head Pool	Hopkinson & Dumont Aves.
McCarren Pool	Driggs Ave. & Lorimer St.
Red Hook Pool	Bay & Henry Sts.
Sunset Pool	7th Ave. & 43rd St.

BRONX

Crotona Pool	E. 173rd St. & Fulton Ave.
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QUEENS

Astoria Pool	19th St. & 23rd Dr., Astoria
Flushing Meadow Amphitheatre	Long Island Expressway & Grand Central Fkwy

RICHMOND

Faber Pool	Faber St. & Richmond Terrace
Lyons Pool	Victory Blvd & Murray Hulbert Ave.

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PARKS UNICYCLE INSTRUCTORS TO APPEAR IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Stelber King Charles Unicycle Riders, instructors of this summer's free unicycle lessons in Central Park, will take part in the Washington, D.C. bicycle festival on Sunday, August 18th, from 11 A.M. to 5 P.M., August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Commissioner of Parks, announced today.

The free unicycle lessons, sponsored by the Recreation Department of the PRCA Administration and the Stelber Cycle Corporation, were held in June at the playground at 100th Street and Central Park West. The sessions were well attended, with youngsters and adults alike enjoying themselves while learning to master the unicycle. The King Charles Unicycle Riders, a group of twelve teenage boys, also entertained the crowd at the opening of the Brooklyn Bike Path in April.

The National Parks Service, in conjunction with the Washington, D.C. Department of Recreation, will sponsor the bicycle festival to be held on the grounds of the Ellipse in back of the White House. As a main feature of the festivities, the New York City based unicycle riders will demonstrate the handling of their one-wheeled vehicles and play a unicycle-basketball exhibition game. For their finale, the group will perform as a band, playing trumpets, drums and bongoes, while riding their unicycles around the grounds of the Ellipse.

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COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE TO HONOR NAT TURNER REBELLION

On Wednesday evening, August 21st, at 7 P.M., actor Brock Peters will head a memorial service to commemorate the Nat Turner Slave Rebellion of August 21st, 1831, announced August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Commissioner of Parks. The service will be held in the Fulton Park, by Fulton and Chauncey Streets, between Stuyvesant and Lewis Avenues, Brooklyn.

Miss Vinie Burrows, Broadway actress who teaches drama to teenagers from the Bedford-Stuyvesant neighborhood in an Inner-City Creative Arts workshop, will take part in the program with members of her workshop. The workshop is sponsored by the Department of Cultural Affairs of the PRCA Administration. Other well-known participants in the program include The LaRocque Bay Dancers, Rene McLean and his Jazz Septet, Robert Carey, The Celestials, Josh White, Jr., and The Last Poets, a unique group who read their poetic works to the beat of rhythmic drumming.

The entire community is invited to attend the ceremonies.

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PLAY CAMPS CLOSE WITH FESTIVAL AT FLUSHING MEADOW

The Singer Bowl in Flushing Meadows-Corona Park will be the scene of a swinging close to this summer's play camp sessions on Tuesday, August 27th, from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M., announced August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Hayes W. Jones, Commissioner of Recreation. Over 1000 youngsters from the PRCA Administration's play camps in the five boroughs will be treated to a lively afternoon of refreshments and fun.

The afternoon's festivities will be attended by both camp youngsters and their families. Activities for the day will include a pre-teen variety show, folk dancing, and an exhibition of floats made by the youngsters in camp sessions. Music by a fife and drum band, farm animals, and many games and contests will make the afternoon a fun time for all in attendance.

Contributions of refreshments, toys and games are being made by civic-minded organizations and companies to help make the day a success.

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NEW YORK CITY BUILDING ICE SKATING RINK OPENS AUGUST 24th

Skaters can once again take to the ice with the opening of the rink in New York City Building at Flushing Meadow-Corona Park on Saturday, August 24th, announced August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Commissioner of Parks.

The ice skating rink, closed for a summer of repairs, will be open to the public year-round with both general and special skating sessions. Included in the special sessions are free periods for youngsters under 14 years of age on Saturdays and school holidays, figure and dance sessions, and periods set aside for speed skating and an ice hockey clinic.

A complete list of daily skating schedules and costs is attached.

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GENERAL SKATING SESSIONS WEEKDAYS

Mondays, Weds., Fri. 2:30-5:00 P.M.	\$.25
Children 14 and under	\$.25
Adults	.50
8:30-10:30 P.M.	.50
Tues., Thurs.	
11 A.M. - 1 P.M.	.50
2:30-5:00 P.M.:	
Children 14 and under	.25
Adults	.50
8:30-10:30 P.M.	.50

GENERAL SESSIONS -SATURDAYS & HOLIDAYS

2:30-5:00 P.M.	
Children 14 and under	.25
Adults	.50
8:30-10:30 P.M.	
Children 14 and under	.50
Adults	.75

GENERAL SESSIONS - SUNDAY

10:30 A.M.-1 P.M.	
Children 14 and under	.50
Adults	.75
2:30-5:00 P.M.	
Children 14 and under	.50
Adults	.75
8:30-10:30 P.M.	
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FIGURE AND DANCE SESSIONS

Tues. and Thurs.	
8-10 A.M. - Patch	1.00
10-11 A.M. - Dance	1.00
Weds., 6:00-7:30 P.M. - Figure & Dance	1.00
Sundays - 9:00-10:30 A.M. - Figure	1.00

SPEED SKATING SESSIONS

Thurs.: 5:30-7:30 P.M.	.50
Sat.: 6:00-7:30 P.M.	
Children 14 and under	.50
Adults	.75

ICE HOCKEY SESSIONS

Tues. 5:30-7:30 P.M. (Clinic)	.50
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FREE SESSIONS

For children 14 and under - Saturdays, New York City Public School Vacations and Holidays, except Sundays, from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon. General Skating and free group figure skating instruction. Shoe Skate Rental - \$.55



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The work required to prepare the land for the sport is being underwritten by the New York Croquet Club.

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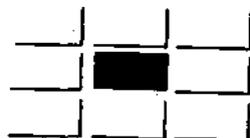
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The cube will make its debut at a gala Play-o-rama Tuesday, August 27, when over 1000 youngsters who have been part of a PRCA Administration summer day camp program have an afternoon of refreshments and fun at the Singer Bowl in Flushing Meadows-Corona Park from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. The cube will be a center of attraction. After the festivities it will be shipped to its permanent home at the Colonial Recreation Center, 146th Street and Bradhurst Avenue in Manhattan.

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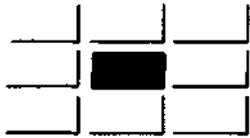
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The golf tournament, scheduled to give the program's participants the opportunity to put the skills they have acquired to the test, will be conducted in four divisions: boys and girls, 10 and 11 years of age; boys and girls, 12 to 14 years; boys, 15 to 17 years; and girls, 15 to 17 years of age.

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A new lilac garden will blossom this spring in the northeast corner of the Sheep Meadow in Central Park, announced August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs. The funds to purchase the lilacs were donated by Mr. Herbert M. Singer in honor of his wife, who helped choose the site and the flowers.

Hundreds of blossoms of nearly sixty varieties and species will be flowering by mid-May, and will grace the already existing path which has been newly surfaced with a rustic shredded natural material called licorice mulch. Wide grass walk paths will wind through the garden, which is situated on a knob hill.

Visitors can surround themselves with the results of a search for rare and special lilacs which is taking the Administration's horticulturalists to the finest arboretums and botanical gardens in the country. French hybrids, Hungarian, Persian, Japanese and Chinese species will share plots with more common American varieties.

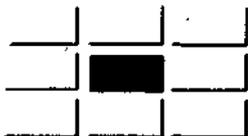
Lilacs were chosen because they are profuse and fragrant bloomers and require minimal maintenance. Their blues, pinks and whites should color the garden throughout the spring until early July.

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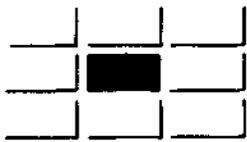
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Rappaport's Toy Bazaar has donated prizes to be awarded to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in six events. A numbers drawing will be held and each of the three winners, whose boat entry number corresponds to the one drawn, will receive a \$25.00 merchandise certificate from the Toy Bazaar.

Contestants should report to the judges' table by 1:00 p. m. to enter their own boats in one of six classes:

Class A- 12" to 18" boats

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All New Yorkers are urged to come out to the Fiesta, bring a picnic lunch and join in the festive mood.

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Colonial Pool - Bradhurst Avenue and 145th Street
Highbridge Pool - Amsterdam Avenue and W. 173rd Street
T. Jefferson Pool - 111th Street and First Avenue

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Crotona Pool - 173rd Street and Fulton Avenue

BROOKLYN

Sunset Pool - 7th Avenue and 43rd Street
Red Hook Pool - Clinton Bay and Henry Street
McCarren Pool - Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street
Betsy Head Pool - Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues

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Astoria Pool - 19th Street and 23rd Drive

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MRS. JOHN LINDSAY AND AUGUST HECKSCHER OPEN PLAYGROUND

Mrs. John V. Lindsay and August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs and Commissioner of Parks, officially opened the newly rehabilitated West 67th Street Lower Playground in Central Park Tuesday, September 10, 1968, at 10:00 a. m.

Many neighbors gathered to dedicate this park as a living memorial to Mrs. Judith Selig, an active community leader and mother, who was tragically killed in an automobile accident.

Commissioner Heckscher and Mrs. Fred T. Beckhardt, Director of the Committee for a Creative Playground, a neighborhood organization, emphasized the importance of mothers who work for the improvement of playgrounds and their facilities. "Mrs. Selig and her two children will always be remembered as long as the playground is used and enjoyed by children. People should also see this as an example of how active, creative leadership can effect the betterment of their lives."

The playground was redesigned by Richard Dattner who also was the architect for the adjoining Adventure Playground. It was conceived as a play area for toddlers with sand areas, a playhouse and slide, new swings with safety surfacing, and an original arch construction. The playground was financed by private funds and a supplementary amount from the PRCA

Mrs. John Lindsay accepted the playground for the children of New York.

The ceremonies were co-sponsored by the Committee for a Creative Playground and the PRCA Administration. Refreshments were served by Tavern-on-the-Green.

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WOMEN'S DANCE PROGRAM BEGINS SEPTEMBER 19th

The Recreation Department of the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Administration is offering a Dance Workshop for Women, Administrator August Heckscher announced today.

The new program, which is free of charge, is open to housewives, mothers of pre-schoolers and gals whose schedule permits them to attend a daytime class. Starting the week of October 7th they will don leotards and tights to participate in exercises in body-conditioning, toning and simple modern dance techniques, hoping to gain grace, better posture, figure improvement - and perhaps lose a few pounds!

The classes will be conducted by Wendy Sichel of the Recreation staff, who is studying for a Master of Arts degree in Dance Education at Teachers College, Columbia University, and is also a student with Merce Cunningham and the American Ballet Center (Robert Joffrey Ballet School).

There will be two sessions each day of the week at each location

as follows:

	<u>Classes</u>	<u>Registration</u>
Mondays -	Mullaly Recreation Center 164th St. & Jerome Ave., Bronx 10-11 a. m. ; 11-12 noon	Thursday, Sept. 19 10 to 3 p. m.
Tuesdays	Lost Battalion Recreation Center 93-29 Queens Blvd., Rego Park, Queens, 1-2 p. m. ; 2-3 p. m.	Friday, Sept. 20 10 to 3 p. m.
Wednesdays	Brownsville Recreation Center Linden Blvd. & Christopher St. Brooklyn, 10-11 a. m. ; 11-12 noon	Tuesday, Sept. 17 10 to 3 p. m.

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Thursdays - Hamilton-Madison House
50 Madison St., Manhattan
10-11 a. m.; 11-12 noon

Monday, Sept. 23
10 to 3 p. m.

Fridays - Brooklyn War Memorial
Fulton & Orange Sts.,
Brooklyn, 10-11 a. m.;
11-12 noon

Wednesday, Sept. 18
10 to 3 p. m.

If unable to register in person at the specified time, please call

Mrs. Colligan at 360-8171.

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The new program, which is free of charge, is open to housewives, mothers of pre-schoolers and gals whose schedule permits them to attend a daytime class. Starting the week of October 7th they will don leotards and tights to participate in exercises in body-conditioning, toning and simple modern dance techniques, hoping to gain grace, better posture, figure improvement - and perhaps lose a few pounds!

The classes will be conducted by Wendy Sichel of the Recreation staff, who is studying for a Master of Arts degree in Dance Education at Teachers College, Columbia University, and is also a student with Merce Cunningham and the American Ballet Center (Robert Joffrey Ballet School).

There will be two sessions each day of the week at each location

as follows:

	<u>Classes</u>	<u>Registration</u>
Mondays -	Mullaly Recreation Center 164th St. & Jerome Ave., Bronx 10-11 a. m. ; 11-12 noon	Thursday, Sept. 19 10 to 3 p. m.
Tuesdays	Lost Battalion Recreation Center 93-29 Queens Blvd., Rego Park, Queens, 1-2 p. m. ; 2-3 p. m.	Friday, Sept. 20 10 to 3 p. m.
Wednesdays	Brownsville Recreation Center Linden Blvd. & Christopher St. Brooklyn, 10-11 a. m. ; 11-12 noon	Tuesday, Sept. 17 10 to 3 p. m.

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Thursdays - Hamilton-Madison House
50 Madison St., Manhattan
10-11 a. m.; 11-12 noon

Monday, Sept. 23
10 to 3 p. m.

Fridays - Brooklyn War Memorial
Fulton & Orange Sts.,
Brooklyn, 10-11 a. m.;
11-12 noon

Wednesday, Sept. 18
10 to 3 p. m.

If unable to register in person at the specified time, please call
Mrs. Colligan at 360-8171.

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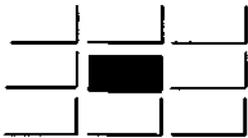
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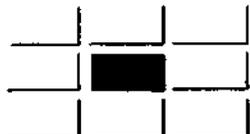
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GIANT SCULPTURE TO BE CREATED IN BRYANT PARK
OCTOBER 2nd, 3rd and 4th

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Beginning 9:00 a. m. each day, artist Kenneth Snelson will assemble the exhibit, using large modular units, many of which measure 22' in length and 6" in diameter. Administrator Heckscher will place the final piece in position on Friday, October 4th, at 10:30 a. m.

When completed the exhibit, which will be on display through December 3rd, will consist of four free-standing structures surrounding a needle-shaped tower.

Commenting on Snelson's recent show, at the Dwan Gallery, art critic John Canaday said, "Handsome enough in the gallery, the large sculptures cry aloud for spots in any open area in the city. . ."

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GIANT SCULPTURE TO BE CREATED IN BRYANT PARK
OCTOBER 2nd, 3rd and 4th

The creation of a unique art exhibition composed of five giant aluminum sculptures will take place in public view October 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 1968 on the Bryant Park Mall, announced August Heckscher, Administrator of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs.

Beginning 9:00 a. m. each day, artist Kenneth Snelson will assemble the exhibit, using large modular units, many of which measure 22' in length and 6" in diameter. Administrator Heckscher will place the final piece in position on Friday, October 4th, at 10:30 a. m.

When completed the exhibit, which will be on display through December 3rd, will consist of four free-standing structures surrounding a needle-shaped tower.

Commenting on Snelson's recent show, at the Dwan Gallery, art critic John Canaday said, "Handsome enough in the gallery, the large sculptures cry aloud for spots in any open area in the city. . ."

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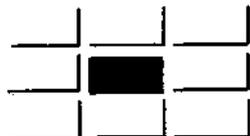
October 1, 1968

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In formalizing the new agreement, Mr. Heckscher said, "The two parties have in good faith resolved their differences. The project has been rescued from technical conditions which threatened to disrupt entirely the progress of the work. There is little use at this time in picking over past history. The important fact is that the Phillips Contracting firm is now going forward with the highly important project."

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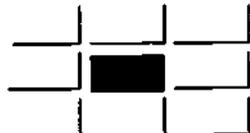
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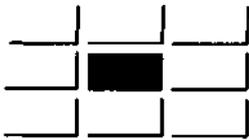
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A reception for the artist, the general public, and the press will be held on Tuesday October 15th from 4:30 to 6:30 p. m. in the lobby of the Vivian Beaumont Theater.

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Muse, the Bedford-Lincoln Neighborhood Museum at 1530 Bedford

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The Museum of the City of New York at Fifth Avenue and 103rd Street offers tours of the Museum and gallery talks to groups of young people from 2nd grade through high school but they advise calling ahead. However, the popular "please Touch" demonstration is being held Tuesday through Friday from 2 to 3 p. m. for children 9 years and up and does not require advance notice.

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The Studio Museum in Harlem at 2033 Fifth Avenue asks

film goes to phone ahead for the Museum's educational films which are shown week-days from 10 to 3.

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Avenue in Brooklyn is offering four courses for young people 6 to 12 years of age Tuesday through Friday free of charge. A course in Cultural History is given at 11 a. m. and 1:30 p. m. , in Natural History at 10:00 a. m. , in Anatomy of Wildlife at 2:00 p. m. and one in Creative Expression at 2:30 p. m.

The Museum of the City of New York at Fifth Avenue and 103rd Street offers tours of the Museum and gallery talks to groups of young people from 2nd grade through high school but they advise calling ahead. However, the popular "please Touch" demonstration is being held Tuesday through Friday from 2 to 3 p. m. for children 9 years and up and does not require advance notice.

The Metropolitan Museum of Art was one of the first to offer special programs for elementary and high school students during the strike week-days at 2:30 p. m.

Special gallery talks are being offered at the Jewish Museum Monday through Thursday from 2:30 to 3:30 p. m. At the Hispanic Society of America , Broadway at 155th Street, free guided tours for groups of three children and one adult have been planned. Five such groups can be accommodated every hour, two in Spanish and one in English. The American Numismatic in the same building will give guided tours of their "Coins of the World" exhibit Tuesday through Saturday by appointment only.

The Studio Museum in Harlem at 2033 Fifth Avenue asks

film goers to phone ahead for the Museum's educational films which are shown week-days from 10 to 3.

Many of the 80 branches of the New York Public Library have extended the hours in their Children's Reading Rooms. They have suggested that parents and children call their local branches for programs and hours.

Information about expanded programs for young people being provided by the cultural institutions throughout the city can be obtained by calling 879 - 2024 week-days from 9-3 during the school strike.