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What's In Our Archives
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Annual reports

Emerald Necklace

News Clippings

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Other cool stuff



PROCEEDINGS
1912 - 1923

PROCEEDINGS
1924 - 1929

PROCEEDINGS
1930 - 1938

PROCEEDINGS
1939 - 1944

Minutes of the Board
Commissioners of the
Metropolitan Park D

1945
1946
1947

TALKS TO GROUPS AT C
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the sake of completeness the
to Trailside Explorers group

	No. 1942
North Chagrin	(5) 484
Brecksville	(35) 725
Rocky River	(30) 1,012
Totals	(70) 2,221



"Trailside Explorers" at Rock
of
The Trailside Mu

H. Walton
Based in Spring of 1945

REPORT

OF THE

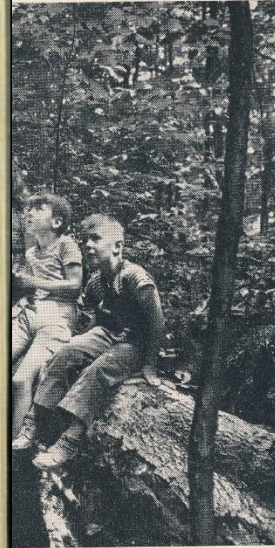
Board of Park Commissioners

OF THE

Cleveland Metropolitan Park District

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1940 - 1941



Learning to Recognize Bird Songs

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EXPLORERS

Children, known as the "Trailside
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Park Naturalist's program, due
pon adult volunteer driving to
the museums at regular dates
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reduced numbers of children.
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1943	No. 1944	No. 1945
	(7) 55	(11) 76
) 192	(32) 331	(37) 529
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THE EMERALD NECKLACE

A

PUBLICATION

of

THE CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN PARK BOARD

VOLUME ONE

NUMBERS 1 TO 10 INCLUSIVE

MARCH to DECEMBER

1952



Lake Erie

CLEVELAND

Map showing major roads and highways in Cleveland, Ohio. Key locations labeled include:

- Rocky River
- Fairview Park
- Brook Park
- Parma Hills
- Parma
- South Hills
- Independence
- Valley View
- Garfield Hts.
- Brooklyn
- Maple Hills
- Bedford
- Bedford Ws.
- Winton Hills
- Northfield
- Northfield Twp.
- Twinsburg
- Twinsburg Twp.
- Brookville
- Strongsville
- North Royalton
- Broadview Hts.
- Sagamore Hills Twp.
- Center Twp.
- Northfield
- Macdonia Twp.
- Reminderville
- Aurora
- Twinsburg Twp.
- Columbia Twp.
- Easton Twp.
- Olmsted Falls
- Olmsted Twp.
- North Olmsted
- North Ridgeville
- Northfield
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- North Olmsted
- North Ridgeville



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studying the idea of financing a Meanwhile, the roof and parking repair this summer.

window sills and door jambs came from Blue stone quarry in South Euclid, he recalls.

"SCHULZIE," as he is known around these parts, remembers when the cubic yards of stone were dragged, one at a time, from the quarry out Chardon Road to the site.

While official records report "it is unclear whether Squire actually lived in the castle," Schulzie said he knows for a fact that Squire never moved from his Wickliffe residence because his wife refused to.

As the story goes, Squire planned to build two or three country homes on the land, one of which would be for him and his wife. Mrs. Squire became ill, however, and died before the first stone was cut. Squire then apparently abandoned all plans for future building and eventually sold the property in 1922 to a business syndicate. The old Cleveland Metropolitan Park System bought the land three years later as the nucleus for North Chagrin Reservation.

While Schulzie was verifying that Squire never

Even though Squire's through turn-of- lived in Fouts, a offered ents and rented to and lived as caretaker ACCOR olrs of trade Th lovely at lovely w ware w does w liked the bedroom were s window that the with its storied fireplace, or, at le me." Her n scribe complet stuffed case - ment, "scary a never there." In th olrs c rain r walls' chime cover castle live l dent (right). A civic luncheon to mark the anniversary big fa Squire which torn d

Don't Spoil Parks' Anniversary

On Sunday, July 23, Cleveland Metropolitan Park will celebrate their 50th year—a golden anniversary for the bright Emerald Necklace.

But the celebration may be troubled.

The Ohio Senate is now considering a bill that would transfer the appointment power of county park commissioners from Probate Court judges, where it rests now, to county commissioners.

The measure would also shift from park commissioners to county commissioners the authority to appropriate lands for park purposes. This would be unfortunate.

Cuyahoga County Commissioner Frank Gorman—who stands to gain from the pro-



Original cartoon on the Golden Anniversary of the Cleveland Metropolitan Park System was presented by Bill Roberts, Press cartoonist, to Harold Groth, parks director (left), and Lee C. Hinselae, park board president (right). A civic luncheon to mark the anniversary is being planned for this fall.

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Jackie Coogan to Be at Mystery Picnic

Jackie Coogan, who will star in "Oliver" at the Sunshine Summer Playhouse starting Wednesday, will be on hand at the third Press-WJW Radio Summer Surprise Picnic Sunday.

WJW's Carl Reese and Franz The Toymaker will also be at the "Mystery Site" to pass out more than \$500 in prizes to those attending.

Free hot dogs and soft drinks go to all those finding their way to the Summer Surprise Picnic, The Press' and WJW-Radio's way of honoring the Cleveland Metropolitan Park System.

Register at the Mobile Unit for the wide array of prizes, which include transistor radios, bicycles, tickets to Coogan's musical and many other summer theaters, plus many other prizes.

Here are the final five clues to get you there on Sunday:

- 6: The Metropolitan Park Polo Field is a short distance away.
- 7: The Chagrin River is loosely its eastern boundary.
- 8: A Parkway connects this and the Bedford Reservation.
- 9: The particular picnic area is famous for rock carrying made by a blacksmith years ago.
- 10: The Indian name for a woman introduces the name of the area.

News-Herald
 Willoughby, O.
 P. M. - circ. 10,569

JUL-21-67
Park Board OK's \$402,000 Budget

The Lake County Metropolitan Park Board has approved a \$402,000 budget proposal for 1968.

The proposal, which will be submitted to the Lake County Budget Commission, calls for \$231,000 in general maintenance funds and \$171,000 for land acquisition and permanent improvement, according to Director-Secretary Larry Peterson.

In other business, the board decided to hire Mrs. Edward Taubert of Madison, a landscape architect, to design a plan for the park's new property near Erie Rd. and the Lakeland Freeway.

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Michigan Cedarcraft Co.
Greenbush, Michigan.
June 1, 1928.

Re Correction
in baluster
dimensions
on plans

Gentlemen:
Michigan Cedarcraft Company,
Greenbush, Michigan.

We appreciate your correction in regard
to baluster dimensions on our rustic shelter house design,
as called to our attention in your letter of May 30, 1928.
On reconsideration, we modified the baluster
details, as shown in the accompanying blue print.
In case this change should make any differ-
ence in your bid, kindly notify us at once.

Very truly yours,
CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN PARK BOARD
Asst. Landscape Architect.

POP:D

Another set of the blue prints is being mailed
under separate cover.

PROFESSIONAL PARK DESIGNER
OFFICE HOUSE
CLEVELAND, OHIO

July 12th, 1927.

Re Final Estimate
on 2nd & completion
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on E of Glen Ridge Rd.
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Euclid Creek Project
O. B. Welch - Glen Ridge
E. R. Welch - Glen Ridge
Mrs. O. B. Welch son { only two heirs.

7/1/19 Called on E. R. Welch, son of O. B. Not at
all receptive to the proposition. Has 89 a. farm, about
1/2 of which is what we want. Uses this for pasture
and small sugar bush. Real estate people seen after
his property for allotment purposes. He wants a fortune
out of it so he can retire his mother and be as the
only owner. Would not fix price on 11000 land.
7/2/19 Valued with C. G. Friedrich, north neighbor
Welch, who stated that Welch is in favor of
the parking system but is holding off for a big
price on bottom land.
7/3/19

T. H. Johnson, Boulder etc. do not have a
60 very high regard for Welch.

8/6/19. Found that Welch is busy telling others in
valley not to give
10/1/19. Welch has been to the People's etc. telling
them not to donate on Park Board has to go up Euclid
Creek and has to pay parcel.

11/18/21. Deal #399 Passed.

1/1/21. Served Mrs. Margaret Welch
personally at home, Glen Ridge Road,
Euclid v Welch, O. Left a copy there at
same time for her son, Orlando B.
Welch.

1920 Tax Value
2.82
89.26 Total Land Value
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2/2/21. Served E. Ray Welch. Left copy
personally at home on Glen Ridge Road



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People Places Events



Why Primary Evidence Matters







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Thank You!