

Open season at America's camping grounds

It's open season on people on the camping grounds of America. Ants, mosquitoes, wasps, bees, gnats, and other pesky creatures are ready and waiting for the annual invasion of campers who flock to hill and dale for recreation. It is estimated that 40 million Americans and Canadians park their campers and trailers or pitch tents in trailer parks, national and state parks and other camping grounds every year. At least three million more are the rugged individuals who go off with backpacks and cones to commune with nature and seek adventure in forests and mountains. The total annual cost of camping, fun runs to more than \$4 billion.

Dancers set concert

A contemporary dance concert entitled "Dolphin, Dolphin, Orbach and Kahn" will be presented at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the DeRoy Theater of the Jewish Community Center, 18100 Meyers Road, Detroit. Rick Orbach, son of Canter and Mrs. Harold Orbach of Bloomfield Hills, and Rob Kahn of Franklin Hills have extensive show business experience. Orbach danced with an Israeli folk dance company in Jerusalem and played the role of John in the film "Jesus Christ Superstar." KAHN was a member of the Kingswood-Cranbrook Dance Group and has appeared with the Rudy Perez Dance Company in New York. Ben Dolpin, who has conducted dance workshops at the center, will appear in several works that range in style from tap to modern dance and he will be accompanied on the piano by his brother Jerry. Tickets for the concert will be available at the door. For further information call Di-1-4200.

Will-O-Way schedules open house

The Will-O-Way Apprentice Theater, 775 W. Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, is holding an open house from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Scene studies from great plays will be presented at intervals throughout the afternoon and guests will be given the opportunity to improvise with students on stage while a television tape is being made to prove untapped ability. During the open house, guests may enroll in two summer theater terms: July 8 through August 3 or August 5 through August 30. Students of all ages may enroll in one or both sessions. Additional information may be obtained by calling 644-4418.

Plane ride for dystrophy

Celebrity airplane rides, with media personalities as pilots will be offered to the general public during a "Fly High for Dystrophy" benefit, July 13 and 14 at Oakland-Pontiac Airport and Detroit City Airport. Media personalities who are licensed private pilots will donate their aircraft and piloting services to the public, in return for \$5 or more to Muscular Dystrophy. Media pilots include Don Jerry Chiapetta, host of WXYZ-TV's "Michigan Outdoors", Bob Hynes, host of CKLW-TV's "Showtime" and Sonny Elliot, WWJ-TV weathercaster. Proceeds from the event will be presented to Muscular Dystrophy poster Children on Detroit segments of the 1974 Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon, to be carried on WKBD-TV, Channel 50, September 1 and 2.

'Quiet Man' sings in troy

Ronnie Hollyman "The Quiet Man" will be appearing at the Holiday Inn of Troy in the Conquistador Lounge through July 6. It is his first engagement in the Detroit area. Hollyman is a native Londoner. He has appeared not only in the United States, but 27 other countries. His "Musical Menu" is used by patrons to make requests. It lists the selection he can render on 12 pages.

There is an additional cost in deaths and injuries, which are mounting every year as more and more people take to the shrinking open spaces. IT HAS BEEN impossible for safety experts to ascertain the precise extent of deaths and injuries to campers every year, although the available data indicates that the figure runs high. Drownings were found to be the most common cause of death, with automobile accidents on campsites ranking second. Other fatalities result from fire, falls, lightning bolts and spills from horses and water skis. The American Camping Association reported that at least 35,000 people are incapacitated sufficiently every year to file insurance claims. And there are probably 20 or more cut and bruised children for every serious injury. The most common injuries, be-

sides the usual lacerations, sprains and bruises, are broken bones, puncture wounds and poison ivy rashes. Nearly every death and injury can be attributed to carelessness on the part of the victims or others, safety officials said. "Human error is at fault in most camping mishaps," a combined researcher observed, "and most of the accidents could have been avoided with a little care." These suggestions are offered on making a vacation in the woods safer for everyone: There should be no roads on camp grounds, with cars restricted to parking lots. No one should be allowed to ride in the back of an open truck or any other vehicle not designed for passengers. Use designated fireplaces whenever possible. If you make your own fire, do not build it near tree trunks, fallen trees or overhanging

branches that may catch fire. After the campfire dies down, spread the partly burned pieces and soak thoroughly. Stir and soak twice more and then cover the remains with sand or dirt. Because pollution has made many natural sources of water unfit for human consumption, take your own water along unless you know of a source at or near the camping site. Swim in designated areas only, checking for currents, whirlpools, deep holes and rocks. Supervise all children in boats. Always check for leaks and make sure there is a life preserver for each passenger. Many states now require by law that they be worn. Before going on a hike, check with the local ranger on places of interest. Wear sturdy shoes and clothing that provides protection against sun and insects. Follow the

paths and markers that have been provided; don't try to blaze your own trails unless you are an experienced woodsman. Special notice should be taken of the problem of tent fires. The National Safety Council reports that there are no known, reliable do-it-yourself methods to treat a tent fabric to make it permanently flame retardant. One of the most dangerous things a camper can do is to waterproof a tent by coating it with a mixture of kerosene and melted paraffin. That is an open invitation to disaster, the council said. Before setting out on a camping vacation, a family would be well advised to become familiar with the habits of animals and the dangers of poisonous plants. A few home courses in first aid are advisable, too.

Tour Hall 6 days now

For the first time since its dedication as a cultural center in 1971, Meadow Brook Hall, on the campus of Oakland University, Rochester, will be open six days a week: Continuing through August, visitors may tour the historic 100-room mansion Tuesday through Saturday, as well as Sunday afternoon. The price is \$3.50 for adults and \$2 for senior citizens and children under 12. Hours are 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, with tours on the half-hour. Sunday tours begin at 1 p.m. For further information, call 377-3140.



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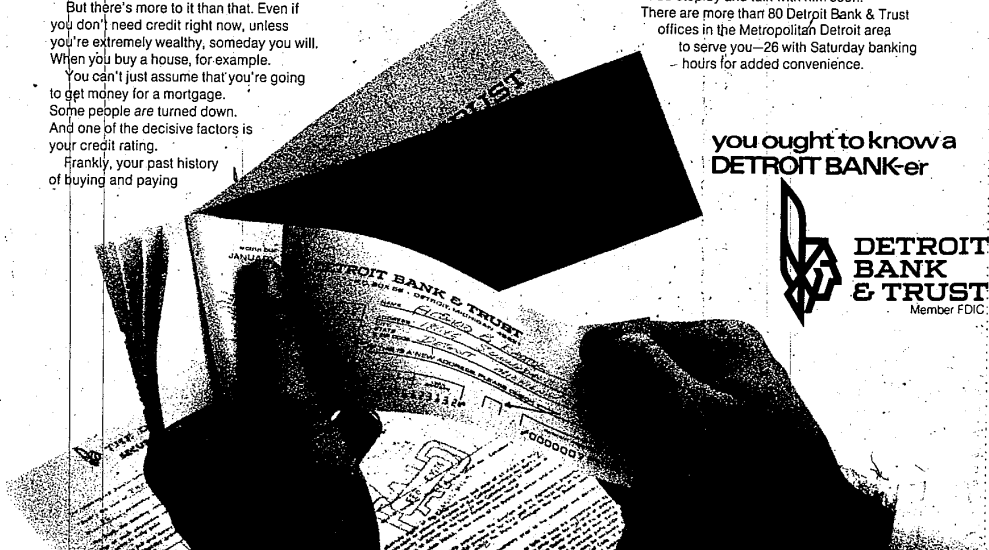
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