

Butler Against Apartments In Ward's Park

"The door would legally be open to apartments on Forest Avenue if Mr. Grainger's latest proposal is approved", stated Councilman Thomas A. Butler, Democratic candidate for mayor, at the home of Vincent Gorman, 360 Forest Avenue.

Mr. Butler said that his opponent's recommendation to rezone Ward's Park for apartment use, if approved, would set a precedent for the zoning of other Forest Avenue properties for the same use, thus permitting more hi-rise apartments.

"Mr. Grainger advocated and voted for hi-rise apartments on Milton Harbor," Mr. Butler said, "and it appears that he has similar plans for our other shorefront." Mr. Butler explained that the rezoning proposal was made as an alternative to urban renewal in the Beck-Wainwright area. The new proposal would simply increase the population density in the area and thus aggravate an already serious problem.

Mr. Butler urged his opponent to reconsider his position and refrain from taking any action which would convert Forest Avenue into "Apartment House".

Medals Awarded In Bike Contest At Day Camp

Medals engraved with the Bicycle Institute of America emblem were awarded to six sixth and seventh graders Thursday at the Rye Rec Day Camp.

Robert Averbach, field representative of the Bicycle Institute, made the awards to Mark Verilli, for the best decorated bike; Eric Turner, for the slowest bike in the "Snail Race"; Fred Penichet, for retaining the most water in his cup after the "Water Race"; Doug Thomas, for winning the "Rolling Race"; Jimmy Johnson, for winning the endurance race; and Bob Heidal, for having the oldest bike.

Runners-up in the various events were Eric Turner, in the "Water Race"; Fred Penichet, in the "Rolling Race"; and Kevin Lathrop in the endurance race.

Leader Doug Casey planned and ran the various events and races, with the co-operation of the Bicycle Institute. After presentation of the medals, Mr. Auerbach gave each of the 30 participants a decal for their bicycle to remind them to ride safety and a Safety League membership card.

Costume Carnival Held At Recreation Camp

Costumes varying from a robot made up of boxes to an army get-up complete with helmet, knapsack, canteen, machine gun, and ammunition were donned by over 70 Rye Rec day campers Thursday. Winners from the sixth and seventh grade girls' group which participated in a Costume Carnival were Debbie Antonozzi, Irma Schut, Christy Mira, Derry Mitchell, Cathie Anderson, Reyna Upton, Andrea Kaufman, Debbie Kerr, Vicki Ball and Lynn Gordon.

In the afternoon, leader Chris Becker conducted a talent show with her costumed girls. Judged the most entertaining acts by the girls themselves were the Soupy Sales skit, starring Debbie Antonozzi, Lisa Rubin, and Derry Mitchell; the night club scene, with Cathy Holden, Irma Schut, Rayna Upton, Andrea Kaufman, and Beverly and Marjorie Foulds.

Winners of the costume contest of "Armed Forces Day" held for the fourth and fifth grade boys were Jeff Pasquale, Brian Amador, Jeff Green, Geoffrey Hurd, Paul Fendler, Joel Johnson, Robert Vavasour, Paul DeRose, Barry Buckett, and Matthew Stoeckli. Then, under the command of leaders Jeff Adams, Anton Johnson, and Dave Platt, the boys took part in all-out "battles", strategically planned raids, and war games such as "Hide the Helmet".

Taking Pre-Flight Training
Aviation Officer Candidate Francis Peters III, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Peters Jr. of 61 Midland Avenue, is attending Pre-Flight School at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla.

Special Events Are Popular On Rye Playgrounds

Wednesday is the most popular day for special events at Rye Rec playground with "Circus Day", a Parent-Camper Picnic and Outing, a Fashion Show, and "Mary Poppins' Day" highlighting last Wednesday.

Judged winners in the circus parade in front of the Youth Center were Marie Murphy, Michael Ecclesine, Chris Grimes, Candy Wood, John O'Malley, Carl Everett, Bruce Gorry, Cliff Damiano, Julie and Susan Butler, Chris Tiso, Cathy Carabee, Kimberly Herd, Greg and Don Hall, Scott Cummings, and Fred Harde.

Over 130 kindergarten and first grade boys and girls marched around the crepe paper circus tent to the accordion player of volunteer, Christine Bubbico. After an arena show in which leader Barry Armitage was ringmaster, the children went on a lion hunt and a then bubblegum hunt. Timothy Gasparini, Rochelle Stanton, and Joan Henning found the most gum, while Linda Shepherd blew the biggest bubble.

At noon over 50, second and third grade boys and their parents enjoyed a picnic lunch, after which the parents talked to leaders Steve Feeney and Jason Roth about their child's progress. To end the afternoon the parents versed their sons in a kickball game.

At 1:00, the Fashion Show, complete with flowers, decorations, and punch, opened to the piano music of Barry Armitage. Over 40 fourth and fifth grade girls strolled down

the flowered promenade, modeling their lovely "grown-up" outfits. Crowned "Miss Rye Rec" by Playground Director Bill Goepfert was Shelia Bloom, who wore a long red taffeta gown trimmed with roses and carried a French beaded purse. First runner-up was Lisa Holstein, followed by Amy Ecclesine.

Things were really "poppin'" with the second and third grade girls as over 60 of them participated in a "Mary Poppins' Day." Costumes were worn depicting Mary Poppins.

After a tea party for which the girls themselves made placemats, a costume contest was held in which Sonya Griffith, Deirdie Garrity, Alice Moon, Peggy Connolly, Kim Weber, Francis Quinn, Joanne Tiso, Sharon Curran, Pam Novello, Sylvia Schut, Wanda Swan, Keelin Fendler, and Susan Ball were winners. Winners of the talent show, which included songs and dances from "Mary Poppins" were Karen Holstein, and Fifi Mumma.

Butler On Radio

Thomas A. Butler, Rye City Councilman and candidate for Mayor will discuss the Long Island Bridge issue on the program "Port Chester-Rye on Parade." The program, conducted by Mike Piller, will be heard on Station WGCH (1490) on Saturday at 10:30 a.m.

Lt. Cdr. Thomas Cann Receives Navy Medal

Navy Lieutenant Commander Thomas P. Cann, son of Mrs. T. H. Cann of 647 Milton Road, received the Joint Service Commendation Medal from the Commander Second Fleet, during ceremonies aboard the fleet flagship USS Little Rock.

The medal is awarded "for meritorious achievement or service while serving in Joint Activity assignments."

The award cites his outstanding performance of duty while serving on the staff of Joint Task Force 122 during the beginning of the Dominican Crisis.

A graduate of Rye High School, Lt. Cdr. Cann entered the service in July 1951.

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