

## **PARKLAND HISTORY: (ANSWERS)**

**A18:** *Just prior to the start of the Civil War, construction of a massive edifice for Elizabeth Tripp Hunt and her daughter Emma began. Funded using monies Elizabeth inherited from her father, "Hunt's Castle" (as it became known) was built using only the best materials; solid black walnut woodwork, 14ft high walnut ceilings, a spiral stairway leading to a cupola, a 'springing' floor in the second floor ballroom, and heavy plate glass front windows among other features. The Hunts exhausted a fortune ( ~\$40-60,000) on their show place, but funds were soon depleted and the edifice remained as a stark example of an unfulfilled dream.*

*Elizabeth and Emma lived in their unfinished 'Castle' until it was sold at a sheriff's auction, purchased by a Rochester speculator. The property changed hands several more times until it was purchased by William Brown (President of Dynacolor Corp) who demolished the old 'castle' and erected a modern home nearby. That property remains to this day and is used as the Park Supervisor's office; it's located off Colby St in East Sweden, on the hill overlooking Salmon Creek and the baseball fields.*

**A19:** *"Calico Jack" was none other than Emma Hunt of Hunt's Castle fame. Apparently Emma was quite the character and was nicknamed "Calico Jack" because she always drove into town with a cream-colored horse sporting a white tail and mane. She often wore a seal skin sack over her shoulders, and thus was given the appellation "Calico Jack and her seal skin sack". She also reportedly climbed into her lofty castle tower on a regular basis to watch the hired men at their labors on the farm using a telescope. If they dawdled, they would very soon hear about it.*

**A20:** *Historic town maps from 1872 indicate that there were 23 total residences in what we now know as Northampton Park; 8 within the Town of Ogden borders, and the rest in Sweden. The vast majority were build along Salmon Creek, as even then people knew that water = life.*

**A21:** *A small notation on a historic 1872 map for the Town of Sweden denotes the only non-residence that existed in what would become Northampton Park 80 years later. School No.12 was located on the East side of Salmon Creek Rd, just off Colby St.*