

# Home and School fashion show tells "what's in" for spring



ENA PETTY and Chad Crooks show what young ladies — and young gentlemen — will be wearing this stylish spring.—(Staff Photo)

Despite the fact that mod lingo experts tell us that "way out" has faded and that "what's in" is out, fashions will always have to be described just that way and what's "in" this spring season is still, to a great extent, mini skirts or ones well above the knees down to "just touching" depending on the tastes of milady.

At the Home and School Fashion Show last Wednesday evening, held at the Rockwood Centennial School, the Walker fashion commentator, Miss Jo Ann Watkins seemed to feel that summer skirts would stay short for this year and that the straight-lined shift dresses, scarves, decorator chain and linked belts would brighten the scene, with the newly introduced long-length midi outfit not quite making it.

Many of the clothes shown were in soft pastel shades with lime greens and flattering pinks highlighting the color scheme along with deep navy relieved by white and red touches. Jump suits with panty dresses for the very young, poncho tops with matching stacks for casual wear, and graduation, wedding ensembles and special occasion costumes were shown also stressing the simple line.

Probably because of the previous Thursday evening cancellation due to inclement weather, the audience attending the Fashion Show was not a capacity crowd; however, approximately 125 ladies were on hand to view the new creations with many of them showing interest as to cost of particular items with an eye to decreasing family budgets but increasing masculine eye appeal.

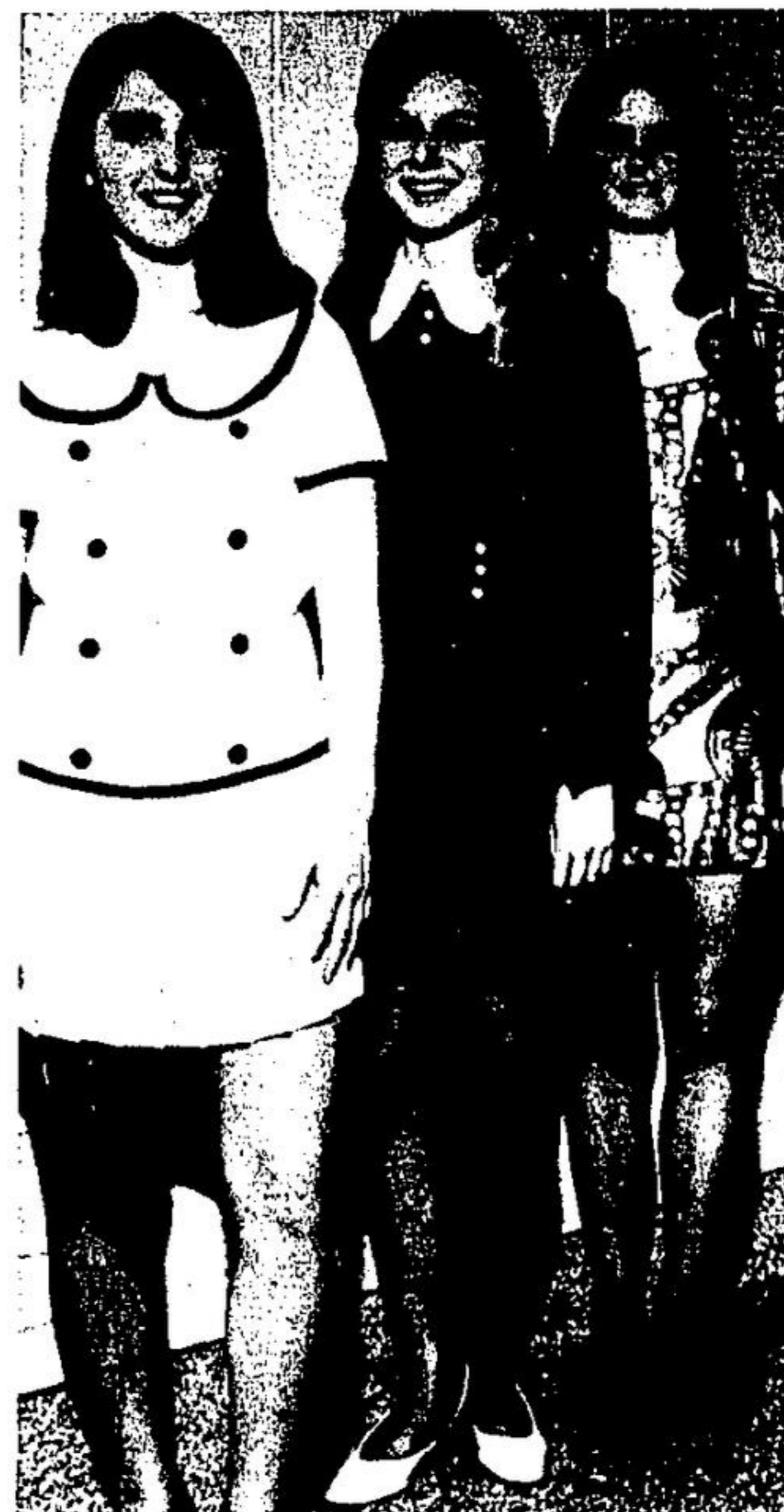
Local Rockwood and Eden Mills ladies modelled the various knitted suits and garments which, to a great extent, were more "woman on the street" than too exclusive and highly fashioned.

Little Patricia Tucker was one

scene stealing model as she wore a jumper suit with pink trousers and carried a fluffy bunny to match. A little boy also carried himself in childlike five year elegance down the centre of the auditorium as Chad Crooks of Main Street wore a brown cotton pant suit with striped shirt. Janet Mochrie, Sonya DeBank, Nancy Meredith, Shirley Meindersma, Nancy Ingle and Dale Hamilton were the fresh and pretty teenage models while little Heather and Kimberley Benham enchanted their audience with cute "little girl" fashions. Beatrice Brace, Jessie Gellatly, Ena Petty, Catharine Meredith, Hazel Hamilton, Lois McRae, Shirley Harris, and Vi Cramp, modelled numerous apparel creations and Donna Clifford, Florence Lunn, and Cynthia Luckman showed the vivacity of the Eden Mills ladies.

After the showings had been completed the models made one final round of the auditorium and the audience applauded.

Sandy Hudson, president of the Home and School Association had previously thanked Miss Watkins for her presentation during the intermission period and also Mrs. Lillian Brown as make-up artist, and Marg Cox and Miriam Ostrander for their assistance in the dressing room. Various draw prizes were also distributed at that time and Mr. Hudson further conveyed his thanks to the Eramosa Nursery, The Caroline Nurseries, the Blue Spring Flower Shop, Al's Groceteria, and Johnston's groceteria of Eden Mills for their flower and grocery voucher contributions which added to the success of the evening topped, as a delightful finality, by refreshments prepared and served by Audrey Hudson and Betty Marshall from Eden Mills, along with other ladies of the Home and School Association.



LOVELY LINE-UP — Janet Mochrie, Sonja Deebank, Nancy Ingle; participants in the Home and School fashion show.—(Staff Photo)

## COMIN'S AND GOIN'S

Miss Colleen Nickell of Jackson Street just recently returned to Rockwood after her cruise around the Pacific aboard the Norwegian American lines ship the Sagafjord and her sister, Miss Minnie Nickell is also back home in Rockwood after spending the winter in Saskatchewan with another sister.

is presently in the Guelph General Hospital. Her many friends and school mates look forward to seeing her better soon and around the Village once more.

Rockwood and township residents and all Acton Free Press readers are asked to watch for "OPERATION MAY DAY" advertisements.

A local Rockwood teacher, Mrs. Pundick has donated one of her own originals — an oil painting of a Muskoka sketch and the receipts of the ticket sales will be another contribution for the Grades 7 & 8 Quebec tour. Everyone who has seen the painting is snapping up the tickets and, in the words of the school kids, "they're going like hot cakes."

### Partial payment

The Eramosa township treasurer was authorized at a recent meeting of the township council to pay the Wellington County School Board 25% of the 1969 requirement and at the same time withhold the June debenture payment of \$9,000.

Villagers are deeply concerned about little Pam Ingle's recent hospital problems. Another possible operation has been scheduled and a new review is to be made of her leg infection. That this delightful little girl should have such difficulties is a worry to everyone and much love is extended to Pam in the Sick Children's Hospital from her many friends in Rockwood.

Friends of Joy Haliburton hope that she'll soon be completely recuperated from the flu and on the mend very quickly.

Miriam Lovell has been ill and

Some municipalities in the county are balking at the procedure as outlined by the Board of Education questioning the legality. Eramosa's contribution in 1969 totalled \$182,000.

## News and views

By LORRAINE

Spring is here and it's that time again! Time to wipe out the cobwebs from the attic gloom; time to clean our cupboards and turn out excess equipment; and time to condition ourselves for a brand new season of activities — it's housecleaning time. Would it not perhaps be also a time to apply the same method of good family organization. To ourselves as people — cleaning out the dusty corners of mental processes, tossing away the dogmas and trivialities and instead, attacking our challenges with an air of positive thinking, assured that anything can be accomplished or overcome with the application of enough faith and willpower.

Probably one of the biggest reason why people are so nonplussed by the complexities of ordinary living is that they are more over whelmed by the publicity than by the actuality; they then apply what they have learned second hand to their own areas of living and, rather than attempting to work things out as they find them, they give up and think "what's the use, the whole world is crazy."

This could be true, who can deny that just existing today is not more involved than what history books relate regarding life during the last few hundred years and, even from what many of us can remember of our own childhood ones. It would seem, though, that many outside concerns have always been there but we simply did not have as much access to knowledge of it and, in our ignorance or because of it, we didn't let it affect our attitudes or curtail our small contributions to daily living in our own neighborhood.

Technological advances have been proved as terrific steps forward, but we must accept them as advances, not as detriments. Television has given us new knowledges at advances of speed, but this does not mean that we must delete the adage "charity begins at home". We could also remember the tritey that, "a chain is only as strong as its weakest link" and, if we are responsible for loosening that link because of worrying too much about what's at the other end, we will never do anything well or accomplish what the chain has been set for.

..ll of us have responsibilities to each other. No matter how heavy our own problems we should still at least attempt to extend our neck muscles and focus our eyeballs to see what is happening around us and consider ways to assist.

We are our brother's keeper and we have been told to love one another and, if this is pure corn to some people it doesn't have to be to us all. If we can feel gracious enough to extend such affection to our fellow man, we are certain to help with problems, not just talk about them. We will reach out to assist, not to merely interfere. We will lend an ear as a sounding board, not as a tunnel through one to the other. We will physically condition ourselves to unpollute our environment by uncontaminating our own minds against others, burying the debris of gossip and illwill and, in doing so, helping the link in which we live become stronger and lubricated with the oil of human kindnesses and, as each link is strengthened, maybe it will be able to reach greater distances and accomplish better things without the home links being corroded with distrust and pettiness. The world was made for us and it's our job to keep it swept and tidy, free of contamination but sparkling with the polish of goodwill.

### Plan public meeting water, sewer rates

The Rockwood Board of Trustees have announced their intention of holding an open public meeting to discuss the new water and sewer rates. The public attending will be given a copy of the proposed rates and all villagers are asked to attend at the Rockwood Town Hall on date of Thursday, April 30 at 8:00 p.m. Representatives from the Ontario Water Resources Commission will also be on hand to participate in the discussion and provide any required additional information.



CHARLIE McCREA was the recipient of a special trophy from his coach Ross Budgett at Saturday's Legion minor hockey banquet in Acton. Ross is returning to Newfoundland this week.—(Staff Photo)

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