

Home and School

# Fetes Centennial school graduates

## Rockwood News

Under the sponsorship of the Home and School Association, the Rockwood Centennial School grade eight graduating class of 1970 was feted with a banquet Thursday, June 25.

It was the culmination of a year's round of combined activities of education, music festivals, field trips, class socials, return entertainments, penny sales, car washes, money drives and a tour to Quebec.

To Mike Leslie, the valedictorian speaker it was a wrap-up of eight years of school development from early primary school days to the present, and, as the young graduate expressed himself, "In the last eight years we have advanced toward the

formal completion of our education, now we are ready for the next step, perhaps with a little of the feeling of misgiving we suffered on the first day of school. We are confident, however, that we will be able to master this situation also and we look forward to the next step in our education."

Mike completed his address, "It has been both an honor and a privilege to attend our Rockwood Schools. I'm sure it is a little soon for our teachers to look at the class of '70 with any degree of nostalgia but we hope that in years to come they will be able to look back and say: "You know, they always were a pretty good group."

G. A. Hudson, president of the Rockwood Home and School Association was banquet host; a toast to the Queen was made by Mike Ferguson and grace was given by Wendy James. Emcee for the occasion was the Centennial School student council president Stephen Jones and the guests were welcomed by Ian Gordon.

At the conclusion of the delicious banquet repast which had been prepared by several ladies of the Home and School Association under the sponsorship of Mrs. Lois McRae, the parents of the graduating school children gradually arrived and Judy DeVries introduced the

guests at the head table to the assemblage. Tom Monkhouse welcomed the parents who were in attendance, and Mary Anne Waddell introduced the guest speaker, Leon Garstecki, the aquatic director of the Guelph Y.M.-Y.W.C.A. who gave an informative address on water safety and the merits of good swimming "know how", a timely topic for students about to be launched into summer activities. Mary Anne thanked Mr. Garstecki and a class review was

given by Alan Nightingale. A series of coloured slides were then shown by the students showing the humorous side of various teacher-student situations, followed by the presentation of awards. Mike Leslie and Charlie McRae had hit an 82 per cent dead heat for the academic achievement award, followed closely by Mary Gooyers and Don Bottenham with an 81 per cent average. Classroom affairs, leadership in the physical education

curriculum, and general participation, were some of the requisites for the Citizenship award presented to Laurie Hansen and the Academic Progress laurels were presented to Judy Hospes and Scott McDonald. The principal, Grant McRae, congratulated the award winning students and, of the graduating class on the whole he said that he felt they had tremendous potential with great leadership ability.

Cathy Scruton thanked the Home and School Association for the banquet after which Mike Leslie, introduced by Emcee Jones, gave his valedictorian address. Martha Parkinson then played O Canada to which guests,

students, teachers and parents, sang together. Eight years of academic achievement for another group of Eramosa students has been again completed at the Rockwood Centennial Public School.



DALE HAMILTON was one of the local grade eight students who became re-

acquainted with her Moosonee friends of last year's Centennial School trip.



BARBARA McLAREN and Marlon Guild on their way to the Carnival accompanied by four of the Smooth

Rock Falls excursioning students who stopped in Rockwood for a day's visit.

### Make-up party

Scott Anne Strong staged a make-up party and, according to a local participant it was great fun, with the demonstrator coming up from Galt to teach the self application of facials and cosmetics.

## Increase Rockwood Hydro rates average hike \$1 per month

Rockwood Hydro-Electric Commission, passed a resolution at their June meeting approving increased retail rates to become effective on all bills issued on or after September 1, 1970.

The rates will now be submitted to Ontario Hydro for approval of the Provincial Commission. The utility has been forced to seek additional revenue from its

customers in order to remain in an acceptable financial position in the midst of rising labour, material and power costs. As a result of the increase, the average residential customer in

Rockwood will be paying about \$1 more per month for Hydro.

Commenting on the rate revision the Rockwood Hydro Commission said "three to four cents a day per customer doesn't seem like much of an increase but it will provide the necessary revenue to enable the utility to pay its way."

Under the new rate schedule all customers previously classed as small commercial, commercial or industrial will be billed on a common rate. This billing method has been adopted by over half the utilities in the province and is known as the general rate. Initially, the change to the general rate will result in varying increases or decreases to the small commercial, commercial and industrial customers but it is designed to more equitably recover the cost of serving them. With the implementation of the general rate, the majority of the customers will be billed strictly on a kilowatt hour basis with a demand charge being applied only to demands in excess of 50 kilowatt.

The overall increase in revenue which will result from the rate change is 9.8 per cent. Further details regarding the new rates will be published when Ontario Hydro approval has been received.

## Open school library for township people

Over 4,000 books will be available for the reading pleasure of all Eramosa township residents when Rockwood Centennial School library doors are opened to the public during July and August.

adult classified books as well as those for the younger readers. Under the direction of Mrs. Rita McPhedran, Barbara Kelly will preside as summer librarian and will supply a notice of summer

vacation borrowing policies. Next Tuesday, July 7 will be the first public opening date and it is hoped that everyone will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity.

This is a new venture of the Wellington County School Board and, under the sponsorship of the Eramosa Recreation Committee, it should prove a highly successful one. For years, village community organizations have attempted the consideration of a public library however, because of small population and near location to Guelph the proposals were not feasible and many avid readers were often unable to fulfil their reading desires.

This summer, however, for the first time the school library will be open from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. with a selection of one of the best in

### Comin's and Goin's

One of the features at last Thursday's Home and School banquet was the announcement by Grant McRae that grade one teacher Mrs. Violet Kramp would be leaving the Centennial staff in Rockwood to join that of the College Heights Vocational School in Guelph in the Home Management department. Parents of potential grade one students will be sorry to see the popular teacher leave but extend their wishes of good luck in her progressing vocation.

during the five days of July 1st to 5th. Elsa Kneigt is one of the Rockwood girls leaving to attend the affair which will include discussions of topical events competitive sport participation games and social activities along with informative seminars

Thirty-four students and six chaperones took time off from their week excursion to make a return visit with local Rockwood school children last June 20 weekend. It was a follow-up from last year's grade 7 and 8 Moosonee trip when Centennial School students stopped off at Smooth Rock Falls and made acquaintance with pupils from that public school.

Carnival weekend in Rockwood was barbecue bash time for the Ray Ellis family when, over the 3 days, Jack and Shirley Burrows from Guelph, accompanied by their little daughter visited with them and the Gord Cox's; Ken and Dooly Gray and their two children, Cindy and Jim, Gwen French and her two children from Oshawa; Sunday dawned with more visiting from Elsie Ridgdon and her two children from Burlington. It was a merry time for everyone.

And away they go. Young people from Canada and United States will be attending Rally '70 when the Canadian and American Reformed Churches hold their youth rally in Winnipeg

Two baby coons orphaned by their mother's accidental death on No. 7 Highway recently were found nearby and are presently being attended and cared for by the John Clark family. Their past experience of raising Daniel has turned the animal loving family into coon experts and soon they will be chipper and happy again.

## Large elm splits, falls

Tumultuous winds last Wednesday, June 24 caused a large old elm tree on the residence property of Rev. and Mrs. Don Sinclair on MacKenzie Street to split completely through and fall atop some neighboring pines next door.

The tree had been previously split and, fortunately, the swaying half-trunk did not swing in the direction of the house and no serious damage resulted. The remaining portion of the plant presently stands forelornly awaiting chopping.

# A-B SUPERMARKET

9 MILL ST. - ACTON - 853-0650

SCHNEIDERS - 1/2 CUT CRYOVAC - S. P.	
<b>COTTAGE ROLLS</b>	<b>65¢ lb.</b>
FRESH MEATY	
<b>SIDE SPARE RIBS</b>	<b>79¢ lb.</b>
<b>SCHNEIDERS RED HOTS</b>	<b>59¢ 1-lb. Pkg.</b>

HENLEY - 32 OZ. JAR (SAVE 47¢)	<b>DILL PICKLES</b>	<b>3 FOR \$1</b>
DONALD DUCK - 48 OZ. TINS (SAVE 10¢)	<b>ORANGE JUICE</b>	<b>39¢</b>
OAK LEAF - 10 OZ. TINS (SAVE 43¢)	<b>Mandarin Oranges</b>	<b>5 FOR \$1</b>
MAPLE LEAF - 1 1/2 LB. TINS	<b>HAMS</b>	SAVE 30¢ <b>\$1.69</b>
PROCTOR & GAMBLE - 3 LB. TIN (SAVE 20¢)	<b>FLUFFO Shortening</b>	<b>\$1.09</b>
LYONS - PKG. OF 60 (SAVE 26¢)	<b>THE TEA</b>	<b>59¢</b>
FRENCH'S 16 OZ. JAR (SAVE 13¢)	<b>MUSTARD</b>	<b>2 FOR 45¢</b>
SWARTZ - 3 LB. JAR (SAVE 50¢)	<b>Peanut Butter</b>	<b>\$1.09</b>
CHRISTIE'S - BUTTERMATE - 24 OZ. LOAF	<b>WHITE SLICED BREAD</b>	<b>5 FOR \$1</b>

<b>FRESH PRODUCE ARRIVES DAILY</b>	
U.S. NO. 1 - 10 LB. BAG	<b>NEW POTATOES 89¢</b>
CABANA - GOLDEN RIPE	<b>BANANAS 10¢ LB.</b>
<b>FRESH FRUITS &amp; VEGETABLES ARRIVE FRESH DAILY AT LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES</b>	
Prices Effective July 2-3-4	
DELSEY - 2 ROLL PKG. (SAVE 28¢)	<b>Toilet Tissue 3 FOR 89¢</b>
AYLMER - 10 OZ. TINS (SAVE 30¢)	<b>Choice Peas 7 FOR \$1</b>
CANADA - NO. 1 - FRESH	<b>BUTTER 65¢ LB.</b>
GRADE A	<b>MEDIUM EGGS 2 DOZ. FOR 75¢</b>
SUNNY - 8 OZ. TIN - FROZEN	<b>LEMONADE 10 FOR \$1</b>