

Valedictory remarks given by councillors

The regular meeting of the Eramosa Township Council was held in the Council chambers on November 2, with all members present and Reeve Cam Lush presiding.

The following motions were passed. THAT the clerk is hereby authorized to contact the Township solicitor re road closing and conveyance of road allowance in lots 5 and 6, concession 3, and Messrs. Ostrander be notified of the lawyer's comments.

THAT the clerk was instructed to advise the secretary of the Rockwood Village Trustees that legislation for the control of rats and vermin in the village of

Rockwood should be legislated in the village of Rockwood by-laws.

Everton road The clerk was instructed to notify Hungerford and Guthrie that Lowry Street in Everton is open half way across the frontage of their clients' property. This road is not constructed or maintained at this time and due to weather conditions it may be impossible to make any improvements to this road this year.

This being the last regular meeting of the Council before the nomination meeting on November 28, the council was called for the usual valedictory remarks.

Valedictories Reeve Cameron Lush an-

nounced that he was retiring as Reeve and expressed his appreciation for the co-operation of the council and officials during his tenure of office.

Deputy-Reeve James Milne expressed his appreciation with the co-operation he had received working with the Council and Officials. He felt that the Township had a good year and, referring to the various accomplishments which he and the council had programmed, said that the new fire hall was well on the way, the road programs were progressing favorably and stated that he would accept nomination for the position of Reeve if so nominated.

Will stand again

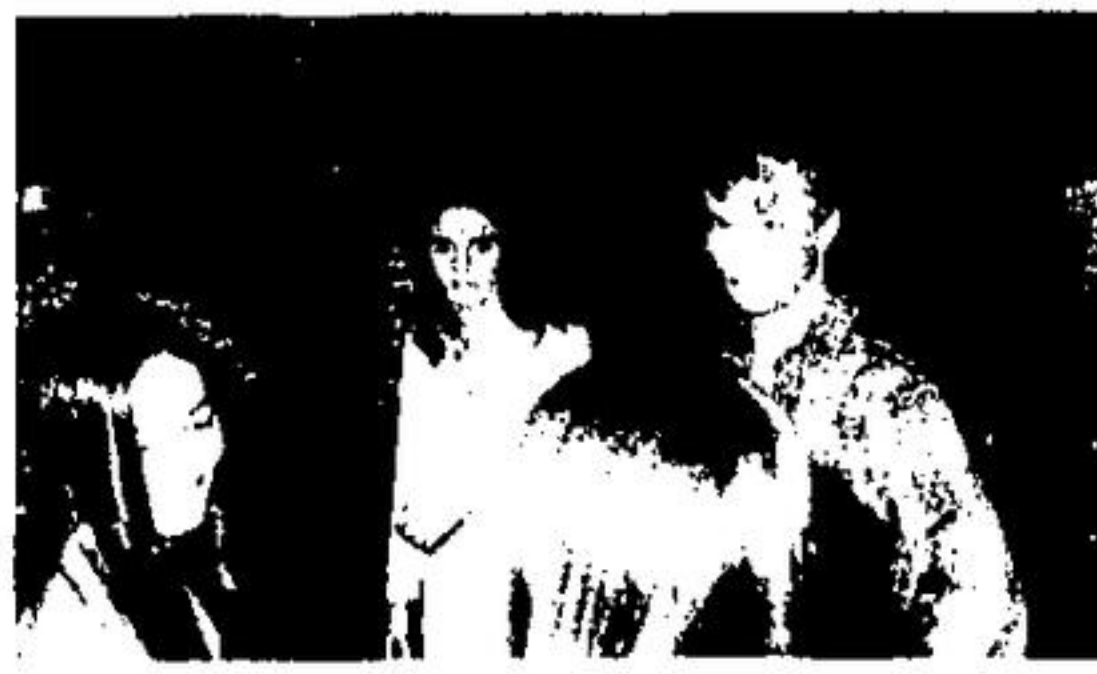
Councillor William Adsett stated that he had enjoyed his three years on Council and that he would seek to retain his present position as Councillor or move up to Deputy-Reeve. He expressed his appreciation of the co-operation of the present council and hoped that future councils would be as co-operative.

Councillor Warren Parkinson stated that he had enjoyed his three year term and had gained valuable experience. He mentioned officials and also the manner in which the present Reeve had handled the meetings throughout the year. He stated that he would contest the seat of Reeve if so nominated.

Councillor Duncan McPhedran stated that he had enjoyed his five years on council and felt that during his tenure of office that he had aided in procuring for the municipality, new township garage fire truck, fire hall, truck, etc., and that the time had come that he should either retire or contest a higher position. If personal problems are resolved he would be a candidate for the office of Reeve.

The road superintendent, R. Hamilton and the clerk, L. T. Hindley, expressed their appreciation for the co-operation they had received from the retiring Reeve and hope that in the future he would return to Municipal office.

Accounts amounting to \$23,633.14 (general accounts \$12,162.14, road accounts \$11,471) were moved to be passed for payment and the meeting adjourned to meet on Monday, December 14, at 7:30 p.m. or at the call of the Reeve.



DALE HAMILTON, Pam Drexler, Jack DeVries and Blair Slipp in the background, tee off in position for the marathon dancing extravaganza staged at the Rockwood St. John's Parish Hall last Friday night and Saturday.



RANDY PETTITT and Gwen Rivington of R.R. 2, Guelph are beating it out to one of the heavy sounds of Steppenwolf.

Film on drugs shown Institute

The November meeting of the Rockwood Institute was held at the home of Mrs. George Mitchell of R.R. 1, Rockwood with an attendance of 17 members. The roll call "Your favorite supper remembered from childhood" was cheerily responded to.

Several items of interest were proposed after the opening of the meeting by Mrs. Helen Bain, president, and one of the discussions dealt with the Leadership Training Course which is being held on November 18 and 19 in No. 8 Community Centre with Mrs. Margaret Nelson and Mrs. Wm. Garner appointed as leaders. The subject of the course is "The Main dish makes the meal" and Greenock Institute and other interested ladies are invited to attend with a small charge to defray expenses.

Gift exchange It was further decided on an exchange of Christmas gifts among the members at the December meeting.

The program under the co-sponsorship of Mrs. George Mitchell got under way after Mrs. Margaret Nelson's report on the Area Convention.

Mrs. Edna Guild commented on the evening motto "Guard your Health, it is your richest possession" and Mrs. John Thomson gave a reading. A film was shown depicting Drug Traffic by Mrs. Lloyd Dyer after which another reading was given by Mrs. George Mitchell. Mrs. John Thomson conducted a word game contest after which a delectable lunch prepared by the social committee of Mrs. Edna Guild and Mrs. Sheldon Trousdale was consumed.

Form book club Further business at the meeting included the formation of a Book Club by nine members of the Institute and eucres were arranged for to be held November 12 and December 10 in No. 8 Community Centre.

At the conclusion of the luncheon Mrs. Cyril Titt thanked the hostess and all present for their contribution to a worthwhile evening.

MARY LAW from Galt teams up with Rockwood's Dennis Death to compete in the Dance-a-thon which, at the beginning was slated for a 28 hour straight dancing stretch. (Photos by Lorraine)

News and views

by Lorraine

The kids called it a dance-a-thon, you call it what you will but at least it was something for them to do on a Friday night and, for a while at least, the St. John's Parish Hall in Rockwood was one of the swinngest spots in Ontario.

Elvis Presley, Simon and Garfunkle, Leonard Cohen, and other name recorders, fast music, slow music, jazz tempo, hard rock slow, you name it and it was there for the slated 28 hours of straight dancing to take 24 young people right through from 7:30 p.m. last Friday night until 11:00 p.m. of the Saturday following.

Good start Well, it got off to a good start fair enough. But the new innovation instead of marathon walks hadn't been considered the challenge it turned out to be. The idea was first concocted by the Rockwood young people when they heard of a similar type dance marathon held at Sauble Beach.

They jumped into it with all feet, lining up sponsors weeks ahead, deciding what they would do with the millions they would make when they made it, and setting up chaperone and refreshment committees who would be willing to stay with them throughout the small hours of night time spells.

Change the rules Allowing 15 minute breaks for every two hours of dancing the young people played it by ear and part way through the beginning of the dance they changed the rule to "a break every hour for seven minutes" with hamburgers, cookies, hot dogs, and chocolate bars being prepared as energy restorants and handed out free from the store of food which had been donated by worthy patrons.

The purpose of the whole thing? There were those who dropped in to the hall out of curiosity to watch the kids for a while and mumbled something about "What's with these kids anyway? If they'd get out and do something useful like shovelling dirt or raking some guy's back yard it would be a heck of a lot more worthwhile"; others shrugged and moved out.

Weary watchers There were, of course, a few spectators who sat and watched the whole series of events right through until the small hours of the morning and, even by 5:00 a.m. the worn, tired dancers still had a captive audience of one or two weary watchers, determined to sit it through to see who the winner would be.

And if the dancer's feet were numb, imagine the fate of the poor viewers who had nothing better to do than sit and watch on hard chairs throughout the nighttime sojourn.

Went numb

Well, it's over now. Kids kept flaking out consistently after the first couple left the floor at 2:00 a.m. Their feet were aching, the calves on the back of their legs were sore and painful. Many youngsters said afterwards that at one point their whole bodies from the waist down were numb. According to some final participants the fast music which usually rejuvenated the dancers acting as a stimulant when they were feeling dull and sleepy, finally couldn't even do its job.

When the fast music was beating out its loud quick tempo the dancing feet could only respond by slosly shuffles. The continual "feet must be moving at all times" rule took its toll and gradually, one by one, the couples left the floor and, by 9 o'clock a.m. on Saturday morning only four couples were left to greet the early morning audience who dropped in to the St. John's Hall to see how the competitors were surviving.

Fight back

Even a brawl which occurred sometime around midnight the night before when outsiders had tried to usurp the local dance did not deter or stop the dancers from continuing on and, as the

curious crowd outside gathered about the fighting participants the dancers continued to move their feet to the time of the music as they lined up and peered with curiosity through the windows to see what they could of the street fight, which was quickly quelled by observant chaperones.

Bruce Logan, Charlene Bolton, Lois Hamilton, John Kneet, John Clark, Miriam Lovell, Chris Sinclair, Wendy Gray, Sandy Root, and Pauline Pinder assisted in changing records, preparing food, and keeping the dancers organized and on the floor. Several chaperones were arranged for, including Mr. and Mrs. David Rowe, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Strong, Mr. and Mrs. David Schneider, Catharine Meredith and Florence Lovell and Mr. and Mrs. George Ingle.

Several other chaperones' names were also on the list for would-be adult accompanists throughout the Saturday afternoon and evening; however, by 11:30 a.m. that morning the remaining eight people on the dance floor just took a seven minute break and walked off the

floor dead beat, tired, and not a little disillusioned. So that was a dance-a-thon, that's what everyone was talking about. The ones remaining were too tired to stick it out even a little longer to find out who really had won.

Still wandering

Debbie Hartung was one of the finalist dancers, accompanied by Tom Pinder; Ronnie Keath and Ann Wickham, Joanne Seim and Buzze Ellis, and Dianne Seim and Brian Given were the other three couples. How the executive will determine the final winners of the event is difficult to imagine. Hopefully they netted, all told, at least some \$100, most of it to be used for charitable causes. But most of all they tried.

This game group of teenagers who have little else in the Village to look forward to by which to utilize all their marvellous youthful stored-up energies at least tried to find some constructive way in which to use them up. Maybe the Recreation Committee can come up with a better way, like basketball teams or bowling; swimming lessons or anything that would provide an outlet for exuberant energies.

Terrible thought

Meantime if you ask the kids if they'd ever enter another Dance-a-thon for charitable reasons or for uncharitable ones they'd likely reiterate what the others are saying, "Golly, I'm not so sure I could stand another one". Me, I'd be afraid that it might be like an overdose of potato chips. Too much of a good thing can turn you away from it for life and wouldn't it be sad to see a whole generation of young people who couldn't stand the thought of dancing because they'd had too much of it when they were younger?

Comin's and Goin's

Heartiest congratulations from hometown residents are extended to Moira MacInnis of Clara Street, Sonia Deebank of Main Street, and Janet Nightingale of Alma Street, who recently received their graduation certificates from the 4 year Business and Commerce course at the John F. Ross Collegiate Commencement exercises.

All three girls were students of the Rockwood Public School and were in the second to last class to graduate from the old S.S. No. 9 before it was demolished, the remains of which still stand. Their particular grade 8 classroom is presently being used as the kindergarten classroom.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hill of Morrisburg are presently visiting their daughter and son-in-law and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nightingale on Alma Street.

Kathy Woodward of R.R. Rockwood had a weekend holiday trip to Quebec. The weather was great for travelling and the visit delightful, says Kathy.

Plans are under control for the biggest Rockwood Presbyterian Church Bazaar ever, to be held at the Presbyterian Sunday School hall between the hours of 2:00

p.m. to 4 o'clock on the afternoon of Saturday, November 14. Baking, sewing gift items, tea and dessert with a welcome for everyone to attend is extended by the Presbyterian committee to all of Rockwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jorgenson and their daughter from Montreal, and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Giossick and their daughter, spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Milne of Alma Street. The three wives in the family visit are sisters.

Mrs. Alice Doby spent an Acton Memorial Sunday at the home of her son Alfred Doby and his family.

Whoops, an error! The first big opening night slated by the Eramosa Recreation Committee including exercising, badminton and varieties of recreation will begin this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and not, as was stated in the Acton Free Press, last week. The place is the Rockwood School gymnasium and running shoes will be worn on the gym floor at all times. Requirements: Shoes, sport garb, birds, own ping pong balls, and friendly good humor to make these evenings successful ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Milne attended the Memorial Service at the Sodom Stone memorial in Nassagaweya on Sunday last and after the service visited with Mrs. Milne's cousin Mr. and Mrs. Albert Roberts of Moffat, Ontario.

The name of the game is deer hunting and Trustee Ken Murray is hosting Vice-Reeve Jimmie Milne at his cottage at Manitoulin Island for a six day expedition. They left by car last Monday evening and hopefully next Sunday will see the Murrys and the Milnes chewing on venison steaks for evening dinner. Good hunting, gentlemen!

Several awards are to be presented at the next November 24 Home and School meeting for the Rockwood Centennial School among which will be: Special awards for school essays on pollution; the Tony Poulx Memorial award for grades 7 and 8; the Quebec Education Tour Booklet awards for last term's grades 7 and 8 students and the Safety Patrol Award. Also on the agenda for the evening's program is a showing of slides of the Quebec Tour.



SONIA DEEBANK, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Deebank of Main Street, Rockwood, recently graduated from the four year Business and Commerce Course at the John F. Ross Collegiate in Guelph. She is presently employed in the Audio Visual Department of the University of Guelph. (Photo by Lorraine)

THE VOTERS' LIST ACT
Section 12
Clerk's Notice of First Posting of
Voters' List 1970
Township of Nassagaweya - County of Halton

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I have complied with Section 9 of the Voters' Lists Act, and that I have posted up at my office at Brookville, on the 30th day of October, 1970, the list of all persons entitled to vote in the municipality at municipal elections and that such list remains there for inspection.

AND I HEREBY call upon all voters to take immediate proceedings to have any omissions or errors corrected according to law, the last day for appeal being the 12th day of November, 1970.

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE SURE THAT YOUR NAME APPEARS ON THE LIST.

Every person is entitled to be entered on the Voters' List who is:
(a) of the full age of twenty-one years;
(b) a British subject by birth or naturalization;
(c) rated or entitled to be rated to the amount hereinafter mentioned on the last revised assessment roll of the local municipality for land held in his or her own right as owner or tenant or who is the wife or husband of the person so rated or entitled to be rated for land as owner or tenant and who resides in or within five miles of the municipality, or who is entered or was entitled to be entered on such roll as a farmer's son, farmer's daughter or farmer's sister or who is the wife of a person who is entered or was entitled to be entered on such roll as a farmer's son.

The rating for land shall be in respect of a freehold or leasehold, legal or equitable, or partly of each to an amount not less than \$100.00 in villages and townships.

Appeals To The County Judge should be delivered to the Clerk of the Township of Nassagaweya not later than
NOVEMBER 13, 1970

The County Judge will sit in the Council Chambers, Township of Nassagaweya Municipal Office, Brookville on November 16, 1970 at 4:00 p.m. to hear appeals against the Voters' List.

DATED at Brookville, this 4th day of November, 1970.
G. C. THOMPSON,
Clerk,
Township of Nassagaweya.

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ROCKWOOD'S ATHLETE Greg Strong, left, quarterback of the John Ross Royals, has just come off the field between quarters when his school team was playing against Brantford High last Friday afternoon. The CWOSSA semi-finals saw the opposing team carry off the winning score as the Guelph Royal Blues were defeated. (Photo by Lorraine)

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