



RICKY DRIJBER and Linda Hartman were two of the prize winners for their outstanding booklets on the Quebec Educational Tour. Ricky won first prize and he and Linda were presented with awards at a special Home and School meeting held November 24.



BILL ADSETT



DICK STRONG



JOHN HEWITT



KEN FAIR



GEORGE LINDBLAD

Election in Eramosa township

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felt the township had increasingly progressed under the leadership and updated thinking of Mr. Lush. "Five years is long enough as a council member said Mr. McPhedran "And I have decided to let my name stand. I will serve for another two years for Eramosa and will run for deputy-reeve."

He said that, although he had never been interested in working for the county council he had decided, "If you can't beat them, join them" and with that Mr. McPhedran professed his intention to join county council. He paid tribute to the fire chief, Carl Meadows, whom he said, showed special abilities in planning efficiency in the township fire hall which is presently being built in Rockwood.

Mr. McPhedran indicated his own special knowledge regarding the Wellington County Board of Education and, in weighing the smaller school board systems felt that he would like to see more reasonable spending in certain luxury items.

"At one time" said Mr. McPhedran, "a caretaker put in a glass window but now, with the present system it costs the taxpayers \$20 to repair it". He said that the county school board prizes itself on having an adequate staff on all schools throughout the county, "but," said Mr. McPhedran, "if the principal were given a free hand on running schools and allowed to set up his own budget it would cost us less money."

Mr. McPhedran had many new attitudes which he thought should also be considered by the

Ratepayers' Association for the future as an answer in being prepared for the long range expectancy of regional planning.

Stand for reeve

Warren Parkinson, who is presently a council member, said he would let his name stand for reeve and in his 10 minute speech allotment referred to the various accomplishments of the township council. He spoke highly on the efficiency of the Eramosa Fire Department and said that, because it is composed of volunteer firemen it is an economical function in the entire township. He also mentioned the \$70,000 mystery debt Eramosa council had found itself faced with after the Wellington County Board of Education went into power and which, hopefully, can be spread over three years. He touched on several problems which had evolved and said that, although he had voted against the industrial waste plant he really couldn't say whether it was right or wrong.

"Sometime in the future we are going to be faced with the problem," he said he was sorry that Cam Lush was leaving and that he (Mr. Lush) was leaving big shoes to fill, and in his own case he would let his name stand.

Bill Adsett spoke next, giving a summary of his contributions as a council member. "I became a councillor three years ago" he said "and if I were a ratepayer I would like to think that there would be some proof of action in three years". He said that the first year he had asked questions and listened, using his judgment and voting as he saw fit.

His resume of performances indicated over his years of office Mr. Adsett has progressed

and is working for the people of the entire township with an updated knowledge of recreation requirements and is interested in promoting tourism in the area. He was recently asked to become a director on the Board of Tourism of Mid-Western Ontario region and he has served some time as a delegate of the Mid-Western regional Development organization. He felt Eramosa should be sharing in the two billion dollar industry.

Mr. Adsett had been nominated to two positions on the township council, those of deputy-reeve in opposition to Strong and McPhedran. He said, "If there is an election my name will be on the ballot in which ever way I will serve the township to the best of my capacity in the future as I have tried to work for you in the past three years. I do not pretend to be a great organizational type but I do try to work at it and I am interested in staying around for a while."

Mr. Adsett later qualified with Clerk Lloyd Hindley for the position of councillor.

Brief talk

"Because I have no past, my talk will be very brief" said Mr. Dick Strong who had been nominated to the post of both deputy-reeve and councillor. He felt that the challenges in the township and village were going to require a great deal of work on behalf of all people. He said he had attended various township meetings recently and felt that they had been conducted in an orderly way and council members should be commended for doing a good job.

He thanked his nominators for sponsoring him as deputy-reeve

but said that he would, at this time like to stand for his original position of councillor.

The new community citizen who is a landscape artist has worked with governments at all levels in Canada. He is a planner who has designed settings for La Ronde and the Ontario Pavilion at Expo 1967, has planned housing projects, civic squares and university campuses, and, since his residency in the village of Rockwood has projected his creative interests by recommending the retention of the environment which has developed in the Eramosa township throughout the years and, as a planner is aware of the necessity of controlled planning for future growth with direction being kept within the bounds of the township.

"I commute every day to the great city" he said, "And I think I understand the problems which could grow. I would like the opportunity to assist in curtailing at least some of them in this region."

North end resident

John Hewitt, nominated from the north end of the township, was unable to give his nomination speech as he had to leave the meeting early. Mr. John Hewitt lives on the Fifth Line of Rockwood and as a resident for the past 10 years is very interested in the progress of the township particularly for the Village of Rockwood.

He would like to see Rockwood grow residentially and industrially and he feels that the value of property would rise with the installation of water and sewers. He is a past employee of the Bell Telephone Company in London in the capacity of construction manager and was responsible for spending money and managing personnel and materials. Mr. Hewitt feels his special know-how is in handling finance. He spent two terms on the South Wellington District High School Board for Elora and

Fergus and has the time to devote to any projects required by the township residents.

Candidate Ken Fair said that he lived in Eramosa and was concerned the Eramosa Image should be kept bright with lines of communication open for everyone to know what was going on. He asked his name be left on the slate as he would like to be a member of the township council.

Another contender for the position of councillor is George Lindblad, owner and operator of the Lind Hill Farm on the Fifth Line of Rockwood and 24 Highway.

Mr. Lindblad could not stay to make his nomination speech but he did qualify by deadline time Monday, 12 p.m. He is interested on the basis of being actively involved in agriculture and in promoting an interest in the business of agriculture. He feels farm people must take an open approach to the political football of pollution. Mr. Lindblad has lived in the township for approximately 10 years.

George Day, Rockwood postmaster, outlined his platform for the Board of Education elections. He is seeking election as representative on the 18 man board for the district of Guelph, Eramosa, Erin and the Village of Erin on the Wellington County Board of Education. He feels that he can contribute a great deal and realizes the responsibilities attached to this position.

Jack Gilchrist, another Board of Education candidate, spoke and gave a resume of his past achievements on the Wellington County Board of Education and hoped that his name would be remembered on voting day.

ESQUESING
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Legal action

Esquesing council has decided to take legal action against a TV repair and sales business alleged to be contravening the township's agricultural holding by-law. Complaints from a delegation composed of Mr. and Mrs. William Serafini and Percy Hicks, neighbors of a TV business on 25 highway two miles north of Milton, following the reading of letters from law firms representing the township and the accused.

Township solicitors notified the proprietor of the business that if he was using a converted garage for a retail sales outlet it was being done in defiance of the holding by-law. The letter warned that if business did not cease by Nov. 30 appropriate action would be taken.

Before by-law

A reply from the proprietor's solicitors stated the TV business was being carried on before the by-law was in force and since the official plan and zoning by-law were not yet in force, the owner was well within his rights carrying on the business.

Mr. Serafini, appearing before council Monday, stated it was council's duty to back their own by-laws. "It all boils down to the fact we need a by-law enforcement officer," agreed Councilor Russ Miller.

"Is the by-law in force or not in force?" asked the deputy-reeve.

Same as dragway?

Clerk Del French thought the case was the same as that of the Golden Horseshoe Dragway where there was intent to establish before the holding by-law, but the deputy reeve disagreed. The clerk admitted that different solicitors gave different opinions on the same question.

Building inspector Tom McLean told council the permit issued for the converted garage specified only alterations to permit storage. After further discussion council decided to uphold the by-law with legal action if it could be proved there was contravention.

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News and views

by Lorraine

A tremor has hit the Rockwood electorate and it is hoped that the same energy which, last Friday night saw a slate of nine men being sponsored for nomination, will carry the voters straight to the local polling booths to X in their ballots.

Many Ontario elections will show signs of dull apathy to result in acclamations but, come December 7th of 1970, Rockwood will have a race for positions on a board the like of which has not been seen in this village for many years.

Vote splitting

There are those experts who get concerned about large slates of candidates; they worry about vote splitting. Their claim is valid and much depends on the method of voting; sometimes a good man can be lost to be replaced by a weaker candidate unless everyone recognizes the need for good three man representation as opposed to only one with special abilities.

Although Rockwood is basically a grass roots community there are many vital issues which we, as voters, must consider.

We can no longer dare to put our stamp beside the name of the boy next door simply because we like the way he parts his hair. He must, naturally, care about the community in which he lives but also be capable of dissecting important issues and evaluate them with wisdom, attack every situation with integrity and principle, and, when decisions have been made, not vacillate at the whims of a few individuals who contest his abilities. Everyone should, however, have an open mind and an elastic approach on all matters as it is indeed necessary that once in a while we retract opinions and decisions. This is all part of wisdom and it is a wise and courageous man who is able to reverse a decision if it is warranted for the betterment of the community and, if he is not sure, to call on authorities who have specialized knowledge in such gray areas.

A board which thinks together in accord is not always the greatest asset either but we must hope that Rockwood will elect one which can think constructively, only pushing such issues which have been weighed carefully and completely. The present considerations of water and sewers is a difficult one and it is hoped that any person voted into office does not have a closed mind on this issue but is prepared to give it closer scrutiny before making decisions—not to crucify because of preconceived attitudes but to attempt to understand its necessity with logic and foresight, applying his own mental processes without outside influences.

Rockwood citizens have the responsibility to their village to attend the polling booths. With regional government rearing its ugly head we must be aware that we are sitting in what has now been zoned as green belt country and already this area has been getting nods of approval for future development by outside planners.

Attend meetings

We must show signs of constructive competence of capable government at both village and township level. It is of vital importance that we vote in a representative trustee board capable of making our decisions with trust and decision and, in so doing we, too, should be making mental resolutions to back their policies by attending trustee meetings and keep informed. Only then will we be acting in the capacity of citizens worthy of such a marvellous community as our village.

And so it is! On election day it is imperative that everyone votes. As Rockwood requires the best of representation so does the Township Board and, with two men vying for reeveship, five for a three man council position, we also have a choice of a truly strong Eramosa Township government. So put your first X on the calendar date of December 7th as a reminder and, until then, I'll see you at the polls. Only we can determine how we want things to grow in our own home ground.

Comin's and Goin's

Rockwood has reason again to be proud of one of its younger citizens. It's hats off to Donna Hills who recently passed her Canadian Society of Radiological Technicians examinations and made with first class honors. Great going Donna! We are all proud of you.

gift from the family and all those attending were Mrs. Duby's family; sons, daughters, their husbands and wives, and her grandchildren.

Among those attending were Mayor and Mrs. Les Duby, Acton, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Duby, Acton, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Duby, Rockwood, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Synnott, Acton, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Cox, Rockwood, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Duby, Guelph, Grandchildren present included Rev. and Mrs. Laurence Duby, St. Catharines, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Duby, Georgetown, Mr. and Mrs. David Shannon, R.R. 4, Rockwood Stanley Cotterill, Fred Cotterill, Peterborough, Linda Cox, Theresa Synnott, Helen Synnott, Karen Duby, Michael Duby, Mr. and Mrs. Mielrie Paterson and son James, Wernor Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Curtis, Acton, Miss Nancy Duby, Huntsville, Leona and Catherine Synnott, Acton, Kenneth Cotterill, Peterborough, Wayne, Darlene, Dwayne and Bryon Duby, Rockwood.

A pre-Christmas present for Rockwood villagers is the fact that Mrs. Mary Scott of Main St. is back on the mend, home from a long sojourn at the Toronto Western Hospital. Mrs. Scott will be staying with her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Marsden of Guelph for a short while until she recuperates sufficiently to return home. Everyone has missed Mrs. Scott and will be glad to know that she is back and around once more.

Music, awards, elections at Home, School meeting

Excellent and well received were the musical numbers of the Rockwood Centennial School choir which was heard last Tuesday evening, November 24, at the November Home and School meeting held in the local school auditorium, under the direction of Mrs. Roberta Hoey. The meeting had a greater impact than usual and many parents remarked that it was one of the best they had attended; the varied program and student involvement in its special activities was considered the reason.

Based on tour After his opening remarks president Sandy Hudson turned the meeting over to Peter McPhedran of R.R. Rockwood who was master of ceremonies of the program based largely on the Quebec Educational Tour which the previous grades 7 and 8 students took last June.

Several interesting slides were shown and commentary was made by Jeff Gardiner, Ann Wickham, Scott Sinclair and Wendy Roadnight and this was followed up by a group report in which Eric Schuller, Adrian Pundick, Karl Peterson, John Scruton, and Ricky Drijber participated.

Receive laurels It was an evening of awards at which time students received laurels for past academic accomplishments and many of the last year's grade eight class were on hand to receive them. Mary Anne Waddell received the Tony Proulx Memorial award for Humanity which had been presented to the school by Tom Gellatly.

Bob Love made several presentations to those pupils who had composed outstanding booklets written on the Quebec Education Tour. Recipients of the awards were Ricky Drijber, Judy Hospes, Janet Mochrie, Linda Hartman, Ron Kelly, and Wendy James.

Top essay "Man the provider becomes man the spender" was an excerpt read out by Warren Parkinson as he congratulated Heather Benham of R. R. 3, Rockwood for her excellent understanding of the problems of water pollution which she conveyed in her award winning essay on the subject. Several students were the recipients of prizes on this topic

including Michael Kupferschmidt, Linda Hopkins, Philip Drijber, Heather Benham and Trudy Smith and the award for School Safety Patrol was won by Kathy Ward.

New officers

Home and School business was then conducted by the president and the following slate of officers accepted to take up new offices or carry on in their capacities of last year's. President Sandy Hudson, Rockwood, secretary Mrs. Donna Clifford, Eden Mills, treasurer, Mrs. Flossie McMinn, Rockwood, program convener, Mrs. Betty Marshall, Eden Mills, Hazel Hamilton for membership secretary Mrs. Audrey Hudson, social convener, and Mrs. Shirley Harris, recording secretary.

Also participating in the program to present the water pollution essay awards were George Day, Bill Adsett, Richard Strong, and David Rowe. They commended the students on their knowledge of how pollution was affecting our world ecology. Several displays pertaining to the Quebec Educational School had been placed and were a focal point in the Centennial School Hall for which Cindy Swanson, Ann Wurr, Cheryl McMinn, Linda Hopkins, Ron Kelly and Tylor Clifford, were the students responsible.



KATHY WARD of Main Street, Rockwood, won the Safety Patrol Award and was presented with a plaque at the recent Home and School meeting.

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