



OUTSIDE on the church steps the happy, exuberant children gathered for a final picture of the five day Bible School which was held at Barrie Hill. —(Photos by Lorraine)

# Vacation Bible School example of harmony

By Lorraine Root  
Friday, July 9th was the final day when a group of crazy, exuberant children said goodbye to their bible school teachers and began making their own summertime plans. According to the children and those in charge of this year's Vacation Bible School it was a wonderful success and, with a membership of 117, the average attendance during the five day session was 112. The theme "Jesus speaks to Our World" gave a great scope. Held at Barrie Hill United Church under the direction of Rev. W. H. Dempsey, minister and Russ Spicer, the Sunday School Superintendent, the interdenominational Sunday school which included children from Eramosa, Guelph, and Nichol Townships, was organized primarily to benefit children from the ages of 4 to 12. A staff of 26 adults and teenagers assisted in each day's

activities and a pattern of constructive learning was varied each day depending on the day's lesson. A sing song and a film strip or story was routine for the young group after which they divided into classes to enjoy Bible Study and workbook assignments. The program which began sharply at 9 a.m. until 11:30 was relieved occasionally by recesses and other breaks. At 10:15 cookies and refreshments took over for the students and the teachers enjoyed daily coffee-breaks. Returning to their various groups which had been set up according to ages, the children then worked on handicrafts and many amazing pieces were created showing imagination and ingenuity as well as ability and patience projected by the teachers of the various classes. God in Nature was portrayed in the Wednesday and Thursday visits to the woods of Mr. John (Les) Hales where, under the leadership of Ruth Thomas, the children saw how God's handiwork is marvelously creative in colour and composition. The students were taught the names of trees and plants, picked moss and fungus and made aware of God's presence around them. Afterwards they were given a craft program in which leaves were transplanted onto paper in various methods resulting in a delightful nature display. Fine leadership. The success of this year's bible school can well be attributed to

the fine leadership of Rev. Dempsey and Russ Spicer, plus the enthusiasm and know-how of the many leaders and assistants. The pre-school and kindergarten leaders included Louise Fair, Susan Dunlop, ably assisted by Wanda and Beverley Dunk. Primary One classes had as leaders Alma Dunk, Lillian Ingram, assisted by Martha Parkinson, Beverley Smeltzer and Brenda Rollinson. Primary Two-ers had Susan Spicer and Parkinson teaching assisted by David Burnett, Ann Quist and Mary Kent. For the Junior One group Yvonne Card and Joan Gordon worked together with assistants Wendy Martin, Alice Fair, and Betty Foote. Junior Group Two had Judy Dunby, Betty Quast assisted by Lynn Gray, and Sally Parkinson, and also assisting were: Ruth Thomas in charge of Nature Study, Betty Burnett for the Sing Songs, Alice Fair as pianist and assisting as helpers Jill Quast and Christina Rollinson. It was a great five days and one of which Barrie Hill United should be extremely proud. There was Christianity, unity, and good fellowship, all combining to promote harmony and goodwill with every denomination represented. This year's Vacation Bible School could well act as an example of how every faith can work together in harmony under Christian leadership.

## Let's talk about horses

By Jennifer Barr

QUESTION: I have a pinto pony called Patches. She is very lovely and I ride her a lot but she won't let me catch her in the field. My Dad has to drive all the cows in the barn. Then she follows them and I can get her. What can I do? Dad says I must sell her.

Answer: This takes patience but is quite simple to fix. Keep a halter on her for the period of retraining. Take a book out into the pasture and sit as near to her as possible, read for a while. Her curiosity will probably bring her quite close to you but IGNORE her. Next day, take a pall containing a little oats and set it about ten feet from you, continue reading. She might get up courage to sample the oats, make no move to her. After a few days of this bring the bucket closer to you until she is probably breathing down your neck. Gently caress her and go on reading. If she backs off, make no move to follow. Horses cannot bear to be ignored. After a week you should be able to take hold of her halter. Never chase a horse, they can outrun you, but always take a little tidbit with you. Act casually, pretend to pick flowers or fix fence until you get near enough to show her the goodie. If you keep this up you'll eventually have a pony who leaps into your lap at every opportunity — and a lot of reading done.

QUESTION: My gelding is very thin even though I feed him a lot. I got him eight months ago at a sale. His mane and tail pull out easily. What can I feed him to make him fat?

Answer: Get a vet to him at once to check him for worms and to see if his teeth are in good shape. The mane and tail bit indicate a massive worm problem. After this is cleared up and his general health is alright you can expect improvement. Feed him as much good legume and timothy hay as he will eat (not more than one-year-old hay) plus about 1/2 gallon mixed grain four times a day. Try one of the commercial horse feeds mixed with oats. Give him lots of fresh water, salt, mineral and vitamins if your vet indicates it. It's very good for him — 3 or 4 of the cheap cracked ones per day will give him an attractive complexion.

QUESTION: My otherwise well-mannered mare constantly throws her head in the air for no apparent reason. Is there a cure?

Answer: Firstly, you must assume there is a cause and look for it. Are you heavy handed with the reins? You should always ride

"as though your reins were made of paper" old German adage. Is the bit comfortable and does it cause mouth problems, as do tight or unclear bits. Try riding her in a simple bosal for a while and judge her reaction. Get her mouth and teeth checked by the vet. If everything seems alright, try her in a martingale.

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If you have a problem please send it to Jennifer Barr, R. R. 4, Rockwood and I will try to answer as many as possible in the column.

Forest tent caterpillar epidemics rarely kill healthy trees but can retard growth.



IT'S ALL OVER NOW and happily enjoying the prospect of relaxing again are seven of the young leaders of the community school. In front are Wendy Martin, 14, of R.R. 5 Rockwood; Betty Foote of R.R. 4, Guelph; and Lynn Gray, 14, of R.R. 4, Guelph. Second row, Alice Fair 13, R. R. 5 Rockwood, Jean Gray, R.R. 4 Rockwood; and Louise Fair of R.R. 5 Guelph. In back is Beverly Smeltzer.



SCHOOL is almost over and children crowd around craft teacher Mrs. Spicer of Ferguson, as she sprays some of the Barrie Hill Vacation School handicrafts with special metallic fixative. Enjoying watching the completion of their handiwork are Beverly Campbell, Jane Martin, Dean Boles, Elizabeth Thomas, Craig Thring, Marian Dunk in the back row. Second row shows Hugh Husband, Nancy Carrie, Melanie Parkinson, Lynn Marshall, Mrs. S. Spicer, and Natalie Wheeler, with Dale Dunk chuckling in the front row.



SOMEONE HAS to do the dirty work. Inside David Burnett of R.R. No. 3 Rockwood is enjoying his job of cleaner upper as he vacuums up some of the plastic pieces used for stuffing. Various types of weevils eat terminal buds and cause trees to fork. Tannin for tanning leather was extracted from tamarack bark by Canadian pioneers.

## Comin's and Goin's

Shhh-h-h-h! Noise it around but keep it low! The community of Rockwood is holding a farewell presentation for Al and Alice Nichol, two very special members of our community who are soon to embark into a future in another town. This is your invitation and you will be welcomed to attend on Saturday, July 24 at the Rockwood Centennial School when Open House will be held for the entire community residents from 7 until 9 p.m. after which a dance will be held.

Let's make it "Al and Alice Nichol Night" in the village with the ladies all bringing a paper plate of sandwiches and the gentlemen their good humor and a big smile. The committee organizing would appreciate a token \$2. for the farewell gift for a popular couple whose genuine interest and contributions to this community could never be measured. Let us know for sure if you'll be there. Phone the 856 numbers of 4251, 4264, or 9925 before July 21st; this would be a great help to the committee to plan ahead. If you have a contribution but cannot attend, worry not, just

## Junior Farmers to entertain at Ontario Place

More than 350 Junior Farmers from across Ontario -- including eight from Wellington County -- are busy with rehearsals for their show at Ontario Place. Carol Thomson, Nancy Gordon and John Gordon, Rockwood; Marg Ivel and Barbara Whittaker, Harriston; Judy Hasson, Ariss; Marlene Gilchrist, Guelph; and Arnold Small, Mount Forest, will comprise the Wellington contingent.

Backbone of the show will be a 350 voice choir. Junior Farmers from 27 different countries have been rehearsing in local groups, and two days before their performance choir members will travel to Toronto for final rehearsals with choral director Lloyd Bradshaw.

Junior Farmer square dancers, bell ringers, folk singers, Scottish dancers and pipers will also entertain. Busloads of friends and relatives of Ontario Junior Farmers plan to make a day of it at Ontario Place and attending the performance at 8.30 p.m.

Hot tires Tests by Goodyear have shown that tires operating under adverse conditions can reach temperatures substantially hotter than boiling water. The Ontario Safety League says that at high speed, under inflated tires can top 121 degrees centigrade.

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## OUR READERS WRITE:

### Writer doffs hat to P.M. Trudeau

The Editor, Acton Free Press.

Dear Sir:

I received a religious magazine which contained an article comparing Communistic Russia with democratic United States. The name of the writer was not given, so he or she could write anything he liked anonymously, and get away with it, while I must sign my name to my ideas. This I am prepared to do, but I think the magazine writer should be required to do same.

It starts off with a saying purporting to be that of the President of the U.S.A. When we quote a man with the ability of Richard Nixon, we should be careful to quote correctly. It might backfire.

I would have thought a religious paper would try to bring the two great countries together, in a kindly and Christian manner. Not so. It boasts of Russian priority in military equipment, food, and so on.

I realize that Communism has put Russia on her feet but I also realize that Democracy has built up a great country to the south of us. My readers must surely recognize that it is positively wicked to stir up animosity between these two countries.

Mr. Nixon has a hard row to hoe, and he is hoeing it capably, in spite of the fact that he has to handle a war started years before he took office.

Our own P. M. in his visit to Russia was the means of drawing America and Russia closer together in business, politics, and militarism. The effect of his visit was just the opposite of the unwise magazine article. I take my hat off to you, Prime Minister of Canada!

Thanks again for space in your paper.

Yours truly,  
Millicent Milroy,  
Rockwood, Ont.

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## Erin twp. council briefs

At their regular July monthly meeting, Erin township council:

— Passed a motion in support of the Tri-County Airport committee. Council was asked for letters of support for the Amaranth Township site for the new international Airport.

— Discussed the Hillsburgh dump with village trustees. It was decided to refuse to accept larger items such as stumps and timbers, to keep costs down. It would double the costs to bury such items, and the dump space would fill up too fast. Also, the by-law states that only domestic waste is to be buried at the dumpsite.

— Passed a motion to pay, under the dog tax bylaw, \$332, for sheep destroyed and injured by dogs between June 5 and July 1. Council commented that it was a funny thing that no-one can find the dogs causing all the trouble.

— Discussed the building by-laws with Inspector Jim Delaney. Mr. Delaney commented that some of the bylaws cause hardship for residents, but there's nothing he can do. "I can't let them build a building permit out for a house. Some are disappointed but too many times before, people build a shack and use it for weekend beer parties and never build. Most of the people are okay, but the rest spoil it for everybody else."

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