

**Free Press** **ROCKWOOD**

# Spring Seeds unique program

The Rockwood Centennial School auditorium will be the place it's at next Friday night when the Rockwood and Area Ratepayer's Association present the outstanding variety show "Spring Seeds."

Under the combined co-ordination of Betty Lou Clark and Don Gordon, talent for the night's performance has been procured from local areas including Rockwood and Eden Mills to the far distant islands of the Philippines and India.

Rob and Alex Sinclair will provide folk singer entertainment, and the Rockwood Philharmonic group comprised of James Gordon, David Brown, Blair Sinclair and Peter Border will also be part of the local scene. The sultry songs of Prabha Patil, Onkar Atwal, and Alpbinder Singh will bring to

the audience the spirit of India as the Philippine Island dancers entertain with their thrilling lighted candle glass dance.

Skits, Scottish songs and professional classical guitar medleys will be other featured attractions on the program which will begin at 8 p. m. with a short intermission for a coffee and donut break.

**Rock Concert**

For the young fry a one hour rock concert featuring "The Swamp Witch" will be conducted when the village's newest youth group will make their debut on the Rockwood Stage.

All in all the show promises worthwhile family entertainment for which entertainers have been working for weeks. The Ratepayers are proud of their first effort in the show line and feel assured of a capacity crowd.



STUDENTS FROM INDIA and Philippine Island dancers will be part of the featured program of "Spring Seeds," the variety show being presented next Friday night at the Rockwood Centennial School auditorium. Foreground shows a University of Guelph student singing the poignant native songs of India, backgrounded by the graceful lighted-candle glass dance of two Philippine Island girls.



LAST GOOD FRIDAY'S breakfast at Rockwood Presbyterian Church showed many Lorraine local celebrities enjoying the repast prepared

## News and views

By LORRAINE

There's an empty bed at our house. It's been vacant since the day before Thanksgiving of last year and, for the first time in my life I am in tune with the countless parents the world over who have watched their young sons leave home some to fight in senseless wars and others just to quench their thirst for travel and experience.

I know what it means to move along with them as their letters reveal their step by step progress of their marvellous journey and I know the mental ravage of suddenly being cut off and the experience of frustration when communications discontinue with no address to which to write just to know that he is alive and well.

After completing his grade thirteen last year our 18-year-old son Kevin took his plunge into the outside world via thumb on the 401 just outside Milton. We took him down and watched from the top of the hill to see him almost disappear into the distance waving goodbye until, just before we left, a car pulled over to the side of the road and we knew that he was on his way.

although many of us think we do, when the going gets rough we are inclined to give up and think the worst. We travelled with Kevin via airmail through some of his most exciting and horrendous adventures in Europe.

Because of his type of humour we were never too certain whether he really did sleep on the banks of the Seine River in France and awaken to find rats chewing on his duffle bag or not. But he did, like many young European travellers, suffer pangs of hunger when it was impossible to get rides and find places to eat or accommodation. At one point he tells of an apple and a piece of cheese having to suffice during one three day hiking session. But this was all good—he was learning the things that many people take a lifetime to understand. In his letters home he talked about hunger and humanity and the importance of being able to walk away from but being able to understand why.

**Not at kibbutz**

In a few short months this young boy had grown up and, with him, his parents and family at home. Being at the wrong end of anything is a frustrating experience and, as we had put the kibbutz in Israel as Kevin's goal we knew we would not feel completely safe until he had reached it.

Well, from London England to Paris, France, to Budapest in Hungary then on to Athens, Greece, and when he was supposedly safely tucked in his kibbutz at Christmastime we learned later that he was on an island in the Nile suffering from some grim-type fever. Finally, eight weeks ago, we received his letter saying that he was in Nicosia, Cyprus, employed as a dishwasher and waiting on tables. A call from a Mr. Wilson of the Embassy in Ottawa, commended him for his ingenuity in obtaining employment but recommended that funds be sent along with forwarding instructions for others to be transferred from Israel, in order that he could continue his trip and avoid deportation to Canada.

What a worry!

## Three experts will attend communications workshop

The Wellington County Secondary School Teachers "Communications Workshop" scheduled for the weekend of April 14-16 has attracted the expertise of three of the best known group facilitators in the province.

Heading the team of experts will be Dr. Ralph Bierman, Associate Professor, Committee of Human Relations Studies at the University of Waterloo. Dr. Bierman is known throughout North America for his research on communication workshop processes and outcomes, on child and family counselling, and on developing community human service workers.

Dr. Bierman, one of the initiators of Human Service Outreach in Kitchener-Waterloo, has led assessed and consulted on

family communication workshops and workshops for developing human service workers in Buffalo, New York, and in the Ontario communities of Hamilton, Oakville, Mount Forest, Fergus and Woodstock. He has also run University adult-child workshops with children from the Probation Office and Juvenile and Family Court in Kitchener as well as from the Children's Aid Society in Kitchener.

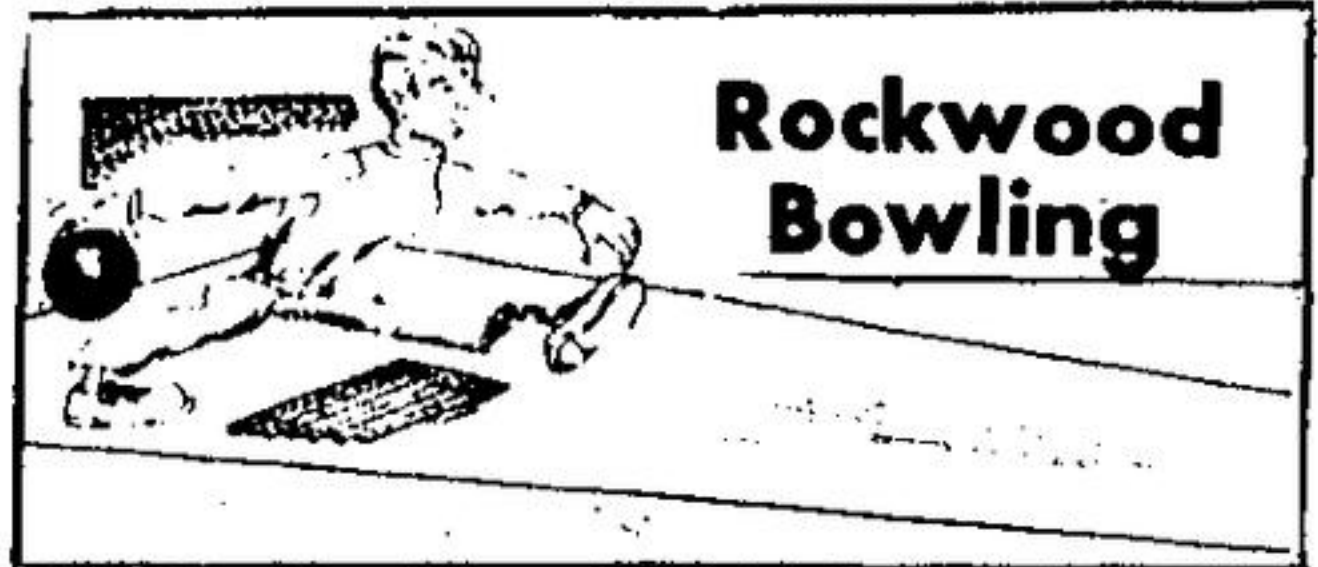
Working with Dr. Bierman in conducting the workshop will be Dr. Ted Hadwen, Associate Professor, Sociology Department, University of Guelph and Mr. Samuel Luker, Chief Psychologist Wellington County Board of Education. Both Dr. Hadwen and Mr. Luker have been instrumental in organizing

the workshop.

The workshop, organised by the Wellington County Secondary School Teachers will be held at St. Augustine's Seminary in Scarborough. The emphasis of the weekend workshop will be on exploring and practicing the process of Communication in education.

It is hoped that the unique workshop which has aroused interest throughout the province, will foster greater communications in education in Wellington County. Approximately 130 trustees, students, administrators, principals and secondary teachers are expected to attend.

Wellington County Secondary School Teachers Federation  
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### Rockwood Bowling

The Four Corners team swamped the Norton's Bluebirds last Tuesday as Tony Stokman heeled the ole bowling alleys with his scintillating 208 and 211 and Jack Parkinson a 210 and 238 set of singles. Fred Nightingale was high man for the birdies with his 223 and 216 and Irene LaViole made a 202 single along with Vivian Nightingale's 201.

It was 5 to 2 for the Gooyers against the Optimists and John Carney made a 217 single as May Swackhammer brought in a 197 and Betty Burnett a 189 single game. Flora Bruce was optimistic with her 204 single, Mabel made a 188 single and Ward Bruce a 178 single game.

The Newcomers beat out the Strattons 5 to 2 upset as Martin Dupuis brought in a 207 single, Peter Bosch a 225 and Steven Ellis a 210 single game. For the Strattons Dick Dupuis was in great fettle with his 245, 240, and 228 set of games tripling in at 705. Sam Nyholt for the loazers showed a 688 triple score and Pat Talley a 328 single game.

**Standings**  
Strattons 119, Caprine Ramblers 113, Guelphites 111, Gooyer Bros. 107, Pacera 101, Mistis 98, Newcomers 98, Neighbors 93, Lucky Clovers 93, Nortons 90, Four Corners 89, Carneys 84, Alley Cats 74, Optimists 54.

Women over 500—Ellen Garner 715, Nellie Stokman 641, Janet Nightingale 589, Gerry Hilton 581, Peggy Ellis 579, May Swackhammer 576, Ann McCormack 572, Irene LaViole 560, Gwen McDougall 538, Flora Bruce 531, Doris Jestin 530, Pat Talley 524, Helen Elliott 523, Vivian Nightingale 521, Betty Brydges 503, Ivy Ritchie 504, Mary Stahlbaum 502.

Men over 600—Harry Jestin 780, Dick Dupuis 705, Sam Nyholt 688, John Thatcher 684, Elmer Allan 653, Gary Parks 642, Tony Stokman 642, Ted Jestin 636, Ralph Wright 633, Sandy McPhedran 630, F. ed Nightingale 630, Jack Parkinson 28, Bill Elliott 625, Glen Gray 603.



GUITARIST AND VOCALIST Eugene Szponarski, percussionist Rick Szponarski, Alan Hosack also guitarist and vocalist and John Clark, bass, are the four high school students who comprise "Swamp Witch" and will currently make their debut on the Rockwood stage next Friday during their hour long follow-up after the "Spring Seed" variety show.—(Photo by Lorraine)

Better than eight out of ten people in the 30-to-54 age bracket read a newspaper on the average weekday. Research shows that 72 per cent of those 15 to 20 years old are daily readers also.

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**Happenings at Rockwood School**

By Ann Smit

It was a normal week with two exciting games. There were basketball and volleyball games at Eramosa last Friday. The basketball score was 12 for Rockwood and 16 for Eramosa. The volleyball game score was 22 for Rockwood and 17 for Eramosa.

We may be playing them again near the middle of this week and the next time we meet will be for the "Love-Marion" trophies.

In a few weeks we will have a

four school volleyball and basketball tournament and that's what all the previous games have been leading up to.

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