

School?

Kinder poll shows tots glad it's over

A recent poll at the Rockwood Centennial kindergarten, class showed that one out five children are glad the Wellington County

School Board has not extended the school year into the month of July and look forward to their summer holidays.



Steven Chadder

Steven Chadder five of Eden Mills says that he'll be glad to be out of school. Because apparently Steven likes the swimming that he gets in the summer time and he'll not miss school at all.



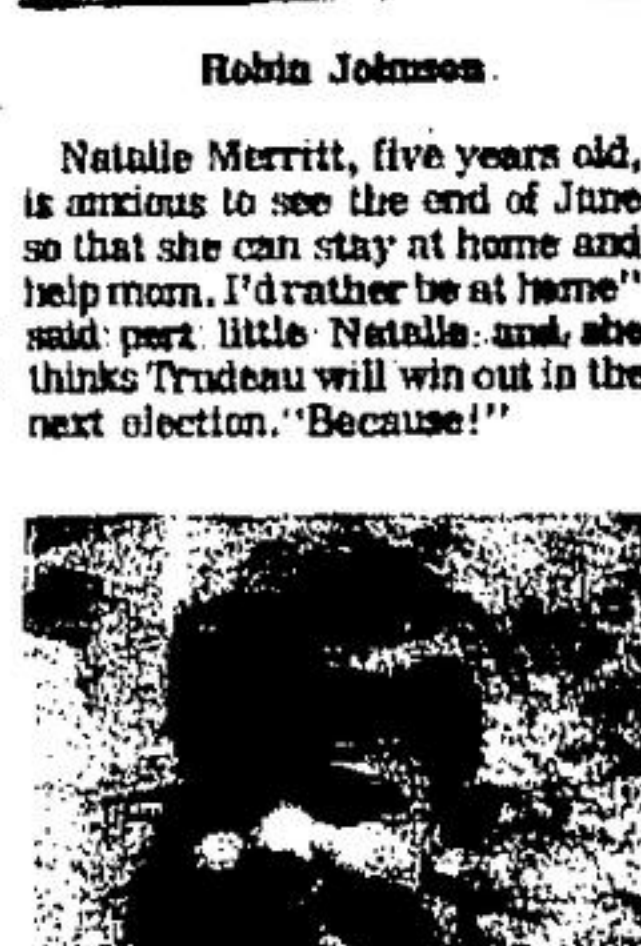
Michelle Marie Drexler

Michelle Marie Drexler 6, of R.R. Rockwood says that she loves school and will be sorry when it's over. She isn't too knowledgeable about federal politics and isn't sure whether Trudeau will make it in the next election or not.



Robin Johnson

Five year old Robin Johnson says that he likes swimming and, although he'll miss his friends at school he'll be glad when it's over. "Besides," says Robin, "some of my friends live right near us anyway so I won't be lonely when it's over." He had no comments to make on village or any politics.



Natalie Merritt



Wayne Grant Martin

Sunshine students win poster prizes

Top safety poster artist at Sunshine School in Horsey is Shirley Thompson of Glen Williams. She has been awarded \$5 by the United Commercial Travelers of America, Hamilton Council 640 Division, for their safety poster contest.

The contest is officially called the United Commercial Travelers of America Children's Safety Poster Contest. Other Sunshine winners are Cindy Lynch of Milton who acquired \$2 John Tomasic, and

Karen Bell of Georgetown who won \$5 and \$3 respectively, and Paul Smith of Campbellville who was awarded \$2.

Amanda Humphries of Georgetown, Gary Elliot and Paul Elliot of Acton and Mark Viras from Horsey were all awarded silver dollars.

The next level of competition will be the Ontario-Quebec section which will be in early June.

Family graves decorated special service Sunday

Parade chairman of the decoration party which marched to the Rockwood cemetery from the Academy last Sunday afternoon gave a brief commendation on the splendid way the families of deceased members were looking after the graves. "If 30 graves were decorated this year," said chairman Max Storey, "let's double it next year and in two years time we'll have 200 or more."

Mr. Storey was referring to the number of family graves which were adorned with flowers displaying care at the public decoration day at which veterans, firemen and families were represented and each plot decorated where members of their association were deceased and buried in the Rockwood grounds.

Let's talk about HORSES

with Jennifer Barr



Question: Can horses read peoples' minds? I have heard that nervousness can be felt by horses.

Answer: This is quite true but I'm not sure whether horses can receive actual thought waves or whether it's a form of electrical impulse.

All horses possess a form of telepathy which we humans have buried with our so-called higher forms of communication. Personally, I believe we all have an electrical aura that sends out impulses. Animals are more attuned to reading these impulses and acting accordingly. Horses are nervous, sensitive creatures and are ideal animals for such experimentation. We all know the excellent horseman who calms the excited horse with a touch, who gets a refuser to jump with confidence. Conversely, there are people who always seem to have trouble no matter how well they learn to ride. It's all a matter of horses responding to the human electricity—as unfathomable as love at first sight. Nonetheless, it is important to think positively around horses because this will affect your own actions.

Little story: I was riding with a friend one day who was a bit awed by her mount, a large Anglo-Arab. Every time we came to a certain stretch of the field where we had cantered previously the horse pranced in anticipation. I asked the rider to try thinking the horse out of wanting to canter.

Next time around, the horse pranced and tossed his head more than ever. "Well, I'm THINKING!" said my disgusted friend. "But what are you thinking?" "I'm telling him NOT to canter!" she replied. So I asked her to think "We're going to WALK" the next time around.

She did, and the horse was a perfect gentleman. Of course, one can always argue that her thoughts affected her riding, the negative attitude causing muscle tightening and vice-versa. But how much is due to thought transference? Either way, it is good to harness your thoughts as well as your horse.

Question: What kinds of English bridles are there?

Answer: Too many to describe here. However, I can mention the

the 34 veterans' graves and a flag with the names engraved, a flag, and a poppy commemorated the 100th birthday of Col. John McCrae.

Welcoming the assemblage of townspeople and special visitors Comrade Don Hills expressed his pleasure at the growth of numbers from last year and he introduced Comrade Jimmy Milne who read in Flanders Fields in memoriam of its writer Col. McCrae.

Rev. Don Sinclair then officiated at a brief but touching service. Comrade Hills introduced Mrs. S. Orville Johnston of Hamilton who on behalf of her veteran husband, a former Rockwood boy, will be presenting two benches to the cemetery for public use.

Third Sunday

"We are proud of the condition of our cemetery," said Com. Jimmy Milne, and remarked that he hoped that all villagers and public will gradually recognize the annual third Sunday in June commemoration day services, not as one only identified with

three most widely used bridles. The snaffle bridle has one set of reins attached to a jointed mouthpiece with large rings at the ends. The whole is attached to the head by a crown band, headpiece, cheekpieces, and often a noseband or cavesson.

This is a mild bridle useful for most horses doing average work.

A pelham bridle has the same head trappings that hold a larger bit consisting of straight or ported mouthpiece and side shanks with two rings on each side, at the mouthpiece and the end of the shanks. The bridle is completed by a curb chain under the chin and two sets of reins.

The action of this kind of bit is different from the snaffle, lowering the head, and providing leverage to tighten the curb chain against the chin groove. The double bridle has two bits and two sets of reins. The snaffle bit is accompanied by a weymouth bit which is similar to a pelham without the upper rings. This lovely bridle is for the schooled horse and expert rider and is only severe in untutored hands.

Please send questions to Jennifer Barr, R.R. 4, Rockwood.

Bus jaunt to Hamilton ends season for W.I.

Commentations were handed out by the Rockwood Institute ladies who attended last week's bus tour through the Hamilton, District. The bus driver of the Gaulth Transportation Bus line was the recipient of the praise of the 35 ladies and four gentlemen guests who were amazed at the congeniality of the man who called himself Lorne, but who handled every difficult traffic situation with patience and good humour, adding to the delight of the entire tour.

As the local ladies boarded the bus at 9 a.m. they were transported to their first stop of the Vortman's Cookie Factory in Burlington where they were conducted through the plant and were impressed at the modern facilities and absolute cleanliness of the village to hold the flag presented by the 197 branch of the Acton Legion.

The ladies then visited one of Hamilton's beautiful older homes recently restored, called Whitehorn and, from there they went to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, visiting the craft shop there, and touring the basement workshop, after which one of the blind staff members gave a run down on the achievements of the blind and how they adapt their handicap to accomplishments.

A trip further to Dundas with Lorne, the driver, continually adding glib comment and, for light refreshments everyone stopped off at a plaza in Dundas.

Birthday card

Back to the bus and a time of merriment when a card of birthday wishes, signed by all the passengers on the trip, was presented to Mr. Tom McCutcheon on the occasion of his 84th birthday on the following day Wednesday, June 14 and every one sang "Happy Birthday" and "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow".

It had been a wonderful trip for which Mrs. Kenneth Spence, R.R. 2, Milton, was credited with its organization. It's highlight was a stop off at the Campbellville "corner" store where mammoth triple dip ice cream cones with a choice of ten flavors were purchased by almost every person on the bus sufficing almost until they reached Rockwood at 7 p.m.

The beautiful iris flowers at Hamilton's Royal Botanical gardens, a hard rain shower at Dundas, and the smell of

Kidnappers seen wood duck back

The alertness of a local Rockwood-Ind was responsible for the safe return of a wood duck stolen last Saturday morning from the Rockwood Conservation Park.

The 15 year old miscreant who purloined the duck was accompanied by his parents and, wrapping the bird in a towel, whisked him into their Rambler Station wagon to their R.R.2, Rockwood home.

Alerting park attendants, Clair McDougall of Mary Street gave the license number of the kidnap vehicle but, by the time park officials had reached the Valley Road Horlop Mill area, the scene of the filching, the car and duck had disappeared.

Tracking the license the O.P.P.'s were able to trace the thieves who were warned to return their catch to the park immediately.

Originally 24 birds, mallards and woodducks had been placed in the conservation park as a visitor attraction which also added greatly to the scenic beauty of Harris Lake as they swim about, coming to shore frequently to tannely eat the food which campers throw to them.

Having been reared in protective surroundings at the C.I.C. game farm the birds are amazingly tame and stealing them would not be a difficult task but it is the hope of the authority that the public will recognize the importance of keeping them together in their natural surroundings for all visitors to enjoy.

Of the 24 birds placed in the park only half that number still remain partly due to natural causes such as turtles and animals.



CHATTING with the reporter, this wood duck, plucked at the Rockwood Conservation Park Saturday morning by a 15-year-old boy and his parents, conveyed his pleasure at being back in Harris Lake with his feathered friends. "I'm really glad to be back" said the relieved bird who didn't know whether he'd been filched for friend or food and swam back to the bevy of birds swimming along the Lakeshore. (Photo by Lorraine)

added surprise each lady received a pound multiple bag of cookies, introducing some of the ladies for the first time to a new eating treat.

New buildings

On to Hamilton and it was dinner snorgashured style at Robert's restaurant where food was fantastic with costs minimal. A visit through the new civic centre was next on the agenda followed by another to the new city hall not on to see through the spanking new Y.W.C.A. Building.

The bus trip was the final wind-up of the Institute's meetings until next September.

C.W.I. meet last of season

Last Wednesday's C.W.I. meeting of the Rockwood and Public Indies at the Gzowski Street rectory was a wind-up of the year's activities and, as usual, Father Elliott opened with prayer.

President Mrs. Irene Hawkins welcomed the ladies and called upon secretary Bernice Bacon to read the minutes. Mrs. Teresa Miller gave the treasurer's financial report and the meeting was then swept into a brief period of business.

Plus reviewing the season's activities the ladies heard a report from representative Mary Gillilan on the Diocesan C.W.I. conference held on June 3, 4, and 5. Mary also informed the group that, at next year's conference the theme will be based on "The aged in the family of man" and, to introduce the subject, Father Tardiff had given an interesting but brief rundown on how today's families are being affected.

Name conveners

During the business Nellie Stockman was appointed convenor for an August 26 church wedding and, also under discussion, was the Rockwood and Oustie church congregation picnic to be held in Centennial Park under the convenership of Cara Gooyers. The date of the picnic will be the last Sunday in July, the 30th.

Mary Gillilan was convenor and, as if lady luck were approving her effort Mr. Gillilan was also the delighted winner of the evening's draw.

Course for top farmer

Twenty Ontario farm management specialists have just had their first training session in preparation for the Grain Crops Workshop. The first Workshop of this kind in Ontario will be held in Ridgeway July 3, 4 and 17. This Purdue University program for "Top Farmers" will be led by Purdue University professors and assisted by Ontario farm management specialists.

The recent two day training session left the local staff tremendously enthused with the potential value of this farm management program for the "Top Ontario Farmer". Already 60 farmers have enrolled for the course. Since the course is limited to 80 farmers another 20 spots are available.

WEEDS TOWNSHIP OF ERAMOSA

Under the provisions of the Weed Control Act, Province of Ontario, public notice is hereby given to all owners and occupants of lands within the Township of Eramosa, that are required to destroy noxious weeds growing on their lands by the 15th day of June, 1972, and throughout the year. If such weeds are not destroyed, when legal notice has been served, charges will be laid. Please note that dandelion is not considered to be a noxious weed under the terms of the Weed Control Act.

George Martin
Weed Inspector.
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