

# Free Press Rockwood



School auditorium jammed for meeting

## Residents question new official plan

A capacity crowd filled the Rockwood Centennial School auditorium Monday night to get up on how the draft plan of the Guelph and Suburban Official Plan would affect them.

preferential treatment in their own area?  
A: Hardship must exist locally but we are dealing with the whole planning area. It would be a two acre lot unless the committee of adjustment decides otherwise.

A: The decision was made by conservation areas to protect a reservoir for all people.  
Q: Will the encouragement of intilling not cause small hamlets to increase their population?  
A: No, local authorities limit it to services available.

## News and views

By LORRAINE

Cranks, critics, carpers, and crooks, all creatures of God and poor Him He must love us all because we are His.  
Ever look at your inner self and wonder how poor God can justify some of His creations. We must not judge but we do know that continually few of us come even partially close to the goals He has laid down for us and yet we know, biblically that, in spite of all our infirmities He continues to love us and nurture the hope that someday we'll learn.

Hum and attempt to create through His words the world which He had originally divined. But poor God what kind of feedback can He get from us. We natter, nitpick, and always forget our blessings. Sure life is tough sometimes, but old God, He never said it was going to be easy. Of course everything doesn't run smoothly but God never told us there would be no problems.

Local decision  
Q: What if a farmer's son buys half an acre and then sells to a person from a city?  
A: The local committee of adjustment would make a judgment. Nothing can control this but one severance per parcel.  
Q: What about animal wastes on land next to a river?  
A: The plan does not attempt to solve problems or set policies.  
Q: What about a large commercial feed lot north of a dam site?  
A: There would have to be assurance there was no pollution.  
Q: Why not all lots the same size, half an acre.  
A: The farmer is given preferential treatment. An outsider should be prepared to pay more.  
Not enough  
Q: Fifty lots a year is not enough. Six in Eramosa is too few.  
A: Lots are also allowed in hamlet areas. In "residential" zones existing lots will be built on.  
Q: Will No. 7 be left in its present location?  
A: That's a provincial decision.  
Q: Who knew before 1972 to get these lots?  
A: They only needed approval if they were less than 10 acres. Then legislation changed this. We must abide by the statutes of the province.  
Q: How about rebuilding a feed lot destroyed by fire?  
A: I don't think you'd be refused. Council would be guided by the provincial department who limit this.  
Q: What about the percentage of growth rate in the hamlets?  
A: It depends on the service.  
Q: Do dispossessed people get

Beautiful world  
Here He is! He's given us a beautiful world which we are spoiling; marvellous bodies which we ruin; abilities and brains which we blow; and He's given us extra encouragement by giving us His son to cancel out any blame we have accrued with the trust that, despite our weaknesses there still remains a good chance for all of us that we might make it. Everything is ours and yet we, His creatures, so often fall short and don't even try to measure up.  
He is the master of encouragement continually rewarding us with pleasures of new seasons, good health, abilities to grow in areas of friendships and wisdoms and the special bonus of great love returned by Him through our faith and understanding which we in turn can pass along to other fellow creatures.  
All He asks is that we believe in

## Parent group committee foresees active year

It was a full house of executives with a few others present at last Wednesday's Rockwood and district parent group committee meeting held at the home of Gail Currie on McKensie Street.

President Leslie Ferguson chaired as past and prospective programs were recapitulated when Gail Currie, acting in the absence of secretary Audrey Gibson, read the minutes.

Matters of business included apleady confusion when several Guelph Scouts had bedegged the village on the Saturday prior to that set aside for Rockwood Scout's apple selling venture.

the place the Rockwood Centennial Refectory, time and conveners were left pending. Further trips and outings were discussed and, because of the Christmas bus trip across to the Royal Alex in Toronto, it was decided that a similar endeavor should be repeated soon.

President Leslie Ferguson referred to Dave Hartman and expressed the committee's regrets at losing an enthusiastic and capable leader due to his February retirement because of business involvements. He said however, that the committee can be pleased that they were able to procure another leader who was also experienced as well as available and willing. Jack Griffithman, a gold card (Queen Scout) will take over with the local Scouts and was introduced to his pack last Thursday evening.

Seek equipment  
The group committee further plan to contact Scout affiliates who are housing scout equipment unaware that the new Boy Scouts group is operating and, if any stored inventory belonging to the original pack can be returned it will alleviate the necessity of replacement.

Ball club strives to raise funds  
Decisions made recently at a meeting of the local ball player's board adds new innovations to the district ball scene and, with two-thirds of the teams composed of Eramosa players, they will now operate under the Eramosa Ball Association as opposed to the former Rockwood Ball Association.

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in an effort to run the league at a minimal expense to the township, committee members are striving to raise monies to support the new venture and supplement costs of equipment, uniforms, diamond upkeep, and umpire fees.

All eligible  
"Everyone buying a ticket will be eligible for every draw" says enthusiastic Committee Captain, Peggy Ellis of Ospringe, and she insists that also stipulated, is that winners do not have to be present at time of drawing.

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## Rockwood bowling

It was Handicap against time for the Rockwood bowling team as they prepared for the Guelph Bowling League. The team consisted of 11 bowlers and a 212 single game.

Production tour farms  
One hundred and fifty dairy producers toured the farms of Art, Frank, and Jim Dickinson at Eramosa this past week and, during the afternoon program, heard about herd health from guest speakers Dr. Cota and Dr. Hanbury.

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