

175 honor Baden-Powell supper held in school

One of Rockwood's greatest community highlights was conducted last Thursday evening when 175 parents, friends, and children, sat down to a smorgasbord supper at the Centennial School, all family members of the combined organizations of cubs, scouts, brownies, and girl guides.

"Absolutely fabulous" said members of the Group Committee sponsoring the celebration of Baden-Powell, the founder of the organization and, as a special touch, a beautifully decorated cake containing the yellow, green and blue of the various groups, adorned the head table.

Head table
The auditorium hung with excitement as cubs and dads, brownies and mums, scouts and families sat around tables ready to consume the delicious repast. Master of ceremonies for the evening, Cub Master Vic Johnson welcomed the throng in attendance and proceeded to introduce head table guests, Mrs. Betty Petrie of Everton, District Commissioner for Guides; Bill Petrie, Liaison between group committees and commissioners; Scout Commissioner Harry Baker and his wife, Mrs. Hazel Mack, and Dr. Anthony Kingscote, guest speaker.

Commissioner Baker then said grace and everyone dug in. The fare was tremendous as roast turkey, cold ham piled high, scalloped potatoes, yummy casseroles of favorite home recipes, and salads galore reflected the interest of the parent providers. Good food and more food, and, by the time supper was completed not a morsel remained.

The girl guides were waitresses in attendance serving tea, coffee, and orange juice for the kids along with ice cream treats and servings of the Baden-Powell birthday cake.

Everyone had a share in the activity and, after supper tables were taken out and Vic Johnson called upon Leslie Ferguson, the enthusiastic group committee

chairman who, in turn, introduced former Scout Master Dave Hartman and his wife Wilma.

Gifts presented
The scout leader was presented with a knapsack and his wife, a past Brownie leader, a doorknocker in the shape of a brown owl. In receiving the commemorative Mr. Hartman commended the Rockwood and District Group Committee for their tremendous feat of organizing the various groups of cubs, brownies, scouts, and guides, and pointed out that, with around 800 people in Rockwood village, of which approximately 500 are adults, then the Group Committee is providing scouting training for 60 per cent of the population.

"This is a marvellous undertaking" said the speaker and graciously conveyed to his audience the importance of more parent participation.



MEMBERS OF THE ERAMOSA CHORAL SOCIETY will comprise part of the choir for the World Day of Prayer to be held in Rockwood at the St. John's Anglican Church, Guelph Street, on Friday, March 2, at 8 p.m. Sitting informally while practicing selections for the service are Allison Brace and Susan Tosh in front of Lindsay Jones, Phyllis Bayne, and Elizabeth Johnston, all girls of Rockwood or district.

—Photo by Lorraine

Comin's and Goin's

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celebration, Wednesday, Feb. 28 is the actual date of the 1948 nuptials but it was all in family planning and guests came from London, Brantford, Montreal, Toronto, New Lowell, Guelph, Georgetown, Acton, and from Rockwood, a sister of the bride, Peg Dyer and her family and her brother, Ed Pasmore and his. It was a terrific party with a mammoth decorated cake and a delicious supper to boot and Rockwood friends send their heartiest congratulations to the ex-Rockwoodites and hope to be included on the guest list when the next 25 year celebration comes around.

Did you know? Students of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship of the University of Guelph will be speaking and giving musical choir renditions at the Presbyterian churches of both Rockwood and Eden Mills next Sunday, March 4 and word is it should prove to be a provocative and worthwhile session.

Mr. Kershaw continued, standing on the edge of Rockwood's gorge, you can see over a mile of the Eramosa River on either side of you, not to mention a 75 foot drop at your feet. The hikers will pass the old mill on the property which was built in the 1800's.

Following the hike, caterers will serve a hot breakfast of pancakes, sausage and coffee.

"The sit-down breakfast allows the hikers to meet one another and enables them to discuss the walk," said Mr. Kershaw.

Last year 30 people made reservations for this same event.

There is a charge of \$1.50 for breakfast. Only 60 pairs of snowshoes are available which makes reservations necessary. They can be made by calling the Grand River Conservation Authority's head office in Cambridge (Galt) at 621-2781.

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Snowshoe hike

To watch sunrise at Rockwood park

Sunrise at Rockwood Conservation Area is always a spectacular sight, especially when followed by a pancake breakfast, complete with sausages, syrup and steaming coffee.

The Grand River Experience program is offering a snowshoe hike on March 3 to allow visitors to view the sunrise from Rockwood's rugged landscape. The hike leaves the main gate at 8 a.m.

Peter Kershaw, hiking guide for the event, said, "Rockwood's varied terrain offers a challenge to the experienced snowshoer but at the same time it is not too difficult for the novice to try out his new-found skills."

Emphasize history, geology
Rockwood Conservation Area covers 197 acres and Mr. Kershaw hopes to cover most of this territory during the two-hour hike. He plans to emphasize both the history and the geology of the area.

Stone U.C.W. have enjoyable program

Last Wednesday's skittish weather conditions could not deter the members of the Stone United Church Women when they held their regular monthly meeting in the Christian Education room with Mrs. Florence May acting as hostess assisted by Mrs. Ella Duffield.

President, Mrs. Arthur Puder, opened the meeting with a poem entitled The Prophet reminding the ladies that spring is in the offing. This was followed with a hymn and prayer after which a bible study was conducted by Mrs. Harry Loeve.

Roll call was answered by "Sunday School memories" which inspired reminiscences of several amusing incidents and after that the treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Harvey Peart.

Attend service
During business several matters were discussed including the Stone Church's UCW acceptance of an invitation from the Barrie Hill United Church for the ladies to attend their World Day Prayer service.

Members were reminded of the March 15 commitment to be responsible for the Eden Home resident birthday party. Further discussed was the March 22 Family Night when the young people of the congregation will take complete charge of the service.

Business completed, Mrs. Cliff Millson, as program convener,

The Canadian Red Cross maintains sixteen blood transfusion centres strategically located throughout Canada. The staff, trained nurses and technologists are responsible for collecting, testing, storing and distributing blood to hospitals in their respective areas.

Award tender for Rockwood school addition

A deadline was set by the Wellington County Board of Education at last Monday's meeting when the tender of Len Ariss and Co. Ltd., Guelph, was officially accepted for the new addition to Rockwood Centennial public school at a cost of \$167,826.

The trustees stipulated that construction must be completed by August 15, 1973, and will consist of facilities for health, science, art, music and kindergarten with alterations to include extending the square footage of the existing library.

Architects for the project which has been on the drawing board for some months, are Weir, Cripps, and Partners, original architects of the school. The Ariss tender was one of 10 submitted and applied last week by a special committee under the chairmanship of the board's vice chairman Fred Hamilton and trustee George Day.

Debt service funding will be regained from the Ontario Education Capital Aid Corporation pending approval for the addition from the Ministry of Education and the O.M.B.



HAPPENINGS at ROCKWOOD CENTENNIAL SCHOOL

Unemployment being what it is these days it's amazing that Rockwood Centennial has problems getting replacements for school reporters. It seems that now, however, they've hit a jackpot in the person of 12-year-old Judy Finley, a grade 7 student who is avidly interested in testing her skills as school reporter. This week she reported that:

"There is a girls' volleyball game on Friday, February 29 at Eramosa School. On Wednesday the Grade 8 students are

expecting to have fun when they attend an opera. I hope to get a report on that little achievement when it is over."

"It looks as if inter-class wrestling at noon hours is just about over because we'll soon be seeing the finals. Right now the big talk is exams and some of the students are groaning, others whooping it up because in two weeks time exams will be starting. See you next week. Yours, Judy."

Milk producers attend meeting

An informative program has been organized for all Wellington county milk producers as sponsored jointly by the Wellington County Milk Committee, the Wellington County Holstein Breeders, and the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food.

The main emphasis of the meeting slated for March 5 at

10:30 a.m. at the Fergus Steelworker's hall, will be placed on the management of the milking system with the aim being to prevent mastitis and four speakers will be featured.

Fraser Pemberton, the regional Sarge supervisor, will be speaking on milking technique and the planning of systems; Dr. Roger Hacker from the

Conservationist is mourned

The man who designed and built the nature trail at the Terra Cotta, helped with the long term plan of development for the Limehouse Conservation Area and was available in an advisory capacity to the Credit Valley Conservation area, is dead.

Dr. Allan F. Coventry died at his home in Mississauga Sunday February 18.

He was active in the formation of the CVCA in the early '60's, giving unstintingly of time and knowledge to promote conservation practices in the Credit Valley watershed.

Last year, Dr. Coventry was invested with an honorary membership as a gesture of respect by the members of the Authority.

University of Guelph has milk secretion and stimulation as his topic; Gord Johnson, the Milk Commission Fieldman for Wellington County will cover the areas of equipment care, animal preparation, and problems that may arise. The area of udder health will be taken by a local veterinarian from the Wellington Veterinary Services, the final speaker of the meeting.

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