



"Hello, this is Erol Hassill speaking."



"Work, work, work," says Robyn Prentice doing dishes at nursery school.



"Now, let me see. Where do I go from here," and Mark Richardson plays peg board.



"Hmmm. Just can't get the knack of this," and Elizabeth Hudson cuts up.



"He was here waiting for me all the time," says Toth Hill while visiting the Masson farm on a nursery school trip.

## Co-operative nursery school sets registration for May 22

In an atmosphere of fun and affection blended with discipline and learning, approximately 20 children take over the town hall in Rockwood every morning from Monday to Friday. They are members of the district nursery school conducted by teacher Ann Vos of Eden Mills and sponsored by community mothers.

High level objectives have been set by the energetic Mrs. Vos who feels that each child must learn at an early age, his or her own sense of self-worth and to have a good feeling about himself.

Applying that philosophy

the teacher runs a happy school in a wholesome environment where children work with industry and accomplishment, enjoying what they do. "Developing skills of cutting, pasting, climbing and other such activities is how they learn to co-operate as part of a group," says Mrs. Vos who teaches her young charges to observe things around them and to have consideration for other people.

Taught how's

The children in the Rockwood nursery school are from three to four years of age. According to the teacher they are encouraged to think for

themselves by choosing their own activities and materials with which to work. In the colder months they are taught to organize their outdoor wear and dress themselves easily.

Licensed by the Day Nurseries Branch of the Ministry of Community and Social Services, the school has been in operation in the village for the past three years. Although a similar program was conducted in Eden Mills some time ago, the Rockwood school is the only one in operation in the district at this time. Classes begin daily from 9.30 a.m.

until 11.45 with the younger three-year-olds attending on Tues. and Thurs. of each week, and four-year-old children, Mon., Wed., and Fri.

Fees are set by a committee of mothers with specific requirements for registration such as medical forms, etc. Mothers attending with children also follow a format of school regulations. They attend workshops and meetings where discussion on child-care and guidance are important topics.

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Teacher Ann feels that to learn, the children must

enjoy a balanced program of both individual and group activities. During the free play period, sand and water play, housekeeping, blocks, climbing and wood-working are offered as part of their curriculum. Painting and pasting, cutting, playdough and shuff toys are the offers to stimulate creative play with teacher-directed activities including fingerplays, songs, stories and special games.

On visiting the school it's easy to feel the absorption of the children at their work. With classes limited to 20 children, the teacher is assisted daily by three mothers who work into a schedule so that each has an opportunity of being part of the organizational end of the school on a regular basis. A

newsletter, entitled Little People's Paper is mailed out to each mother by editor mothers. The mothers are kept informed of proposed school activities and special projects for both the executive and mother members of the sponsoring group and the nursery school children.

Extra curricula for the nursery schoolers include visits to the Guelph Zoo, hikes, trips to such places as the Waterloo Zoo, and picnics in the Rockwood conservation park, and outdoor sleighing parties in the winter months. Visits from the dental nurse tune the youngsters in on dental care needs and talks from the friendly OPP officers teach them safety rules.

Everything is touched on and mothers who see the school in operation are anxious to be part of the activities. The co-operative nursery school is again advertising for registration for the first term of Sept., '74. Mothers who assist are given priority for their children's enrollment; names of children of non-helping mothers are put on a waiting list.

"Nursery school is only for

children enrolled," reads the brochure and mothers assisting are required to arrange for care for their other children while assisting at the school. This year's registration date has been set for Wed., May 22 at 8 p.m. at the Rockwood town hall. "Phone 856-4752 if you need further information," says teacher Ann Vos who notes that already September's name list is filling in rapidly.



"Must get this ready for dinner or I'll be in trouble," says Laura Johnston.

## Family life program discussed

Parents of children attending the Rockwood Centennial public school had an opportunity last Thursday evening to better understand how the syllabus of family life and social education is being presented.

A panel of qualified speakers spoke to the parents and discussed the program being introduced at Rockwood Centennial as part of a pilot program in conjunction with Guelph Centennial CVI.

Marilyn Stebbe, Director of Education for Planned Parenthood, Sam Luker,

psychologist for the Wellington County Board of Education; Dave Clark, director of Physical Education at Centennial CVI, and Mrs. Rita McPhedran of the Rockwood school, comprised the panel. Mrs. Stebbe pointed out the reason for choosing the topic of sex education for discussion was to show parents what constituted the subjects being taught.

Course expanded

Mr. Luker outlined the aims of the Board of Education and the philosophy behind the inclusion of

Family Life and Social Education which includes sex education. In the school program, he pointed out that education must not be only arithmetic but also how to cope with everyday life. He said the course will be expanded to include a values classification section in which students learn to make sound judgements on all subjects such as smoking, and consumer education as well as morals.

Using an overhead projector Mrs. McPhedran showed diagrams describing

the course of teaching from kindergarten level to grade eight at the Rockwood school. She stressed the importance of emotional happiness and how it relates to a child's achievement.

Concern of parents had indicated that sex education in the school at puberty level is often criticized by parents who feel it better carried out in the atmosphere of the home. Speakers at Thursday's meeting agreed that, although this would be the ideal situation, few children come from families where the subject can be easily handled. Several parents agreed.

Preventions

Questioned on the wisdom of discussing sexuality in a group, the panel explained that, with a group, a child realizes he or she is not alone and the only one in the world experiencing changes and feelings. Mr. Clark discussed healthy outlooks when describing the program in the Guelph high schools. He fielded many questions from the audience who wondered if birth control information might not lead to youngsters practising their new-found knowledge. "On the contrary," said the speaker, "this has been going on throughout the ages only now we have information and methods to prevent disastrous consequences."

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### Comin's and Goin's

Latest word is that a village friend to everyone, Mrs. Lucy Linfoot is in the Guelph General awaiting surgery. "Get well soon and recuperate quickly Mrs. Linfoot," is the word from friends who are sorry she's been ill and hope to see her around again soon.

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Dorla Warren of Bezece was also hospitalized recently but reportedly is home again at the centre.

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Latest letter home to the Drijber boys in Rockwood tells that brother Robin flew from Rio de Janeiro to meet with his parents Oscar and Sitska, and brother Philip in Salisbury, Rhodesia last Sunday. The senior Drijbers left Canada last March for the overseas trip to see family friends and are expected home sometime in late June.

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"Hope you're better soon," is the friendly word to Tom Wylie of Division St. who has been in the Guelph General hospital for the past four weeks with a severe leg fracture. A fall into a gully resulted in a compound fracture and he has been in traction ever since.

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A special guest at the Sandy Hudson home this past weekend has been Sam, the friendly dog pet belonging to the Yarmey family of Main St., Rockwood. Stan and Judy headed to London with their children Megan, Craig and Linda for Stan to attend a conference at Western University. Time's up, glad to see you back, folks.

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It's a hi to a newcomer to the village. Judy Guest's brother from Portsmouth, England, is presently on a four month business stay in New York and, with his wife and family, dropped in to see his sister and her family over the weekend.

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Ottawa, Quebec City, Cape Breton and other places of interest is on the two week agenda of the Ward Chesworth family of Eden Mills who left Sunday headed for Newfoundland where Ward will attend a University conference. Accompanying Ann and Ward will be Aaron, Della, Iona and Amanda with motels along their way stop-off points for the exciting excursion. Have a great time folks, see you soon.

## Tragic accident snuffs life of Glenn Noble

A tragic accident claimed the life of a young Rockwood man last Wed., May 8, when cleaning the exterior of a barn on a farm near Maple.

Glenn Noble was working with his father, Bob Noble of Noble Barn Painting Ltd., and another young man, Donald Allen of Kitchener. They were preparing the barn for painting when the accident occurred. It is assumed the aluminum ladder being moved touched a 6,000 volt high tension wire.

The two boys were on one side of the building when Mr. Noble found them crumpled near the ladder where they had been working. He applied artificial respiration immediately and managed to

revive Donald Allen. They were taken to York Central Hospital at Richmond Hill where, on arrival, Glenn was pronounced dead. Donald Allen, a medical student of Western University, was hospitalized for four days and since, released.

Attended Centennial

Born Dec. 14, 1952, in Palmerston, Glenn Joseph Clayton Noble was the eldest son of Robert Noble of Rockwood and Margaret Turner of Toronto. He had come to Rockwood from Rothsay eight and one-half years ago to live with his family and had attended the Rockwood Centennial public school and College Heights in Guelph.

Well liked in Rockwood he was known to be outgoing and a boy who enjoyed doing things. He was instrumental in starting up one of the first young people's bands in the community. Since moving to Conn two years ago to stay with his sister and family, had become keenly interested in another project. He was raising pure-bred St. Bernard pups as a hobby, as well as working into his dad's barn-painting business.

Besides his parents members of Glenn's family include sisters Yvonne (Mrs.

Ross Gregson), of Conn; Heather, Elizabeth, and Lynn, all at home, and Randy Turner, a brother, of Toronto. He is survived by his grand father Max Noble of Rothsay and grandmother Mrs. Joe Olds, Tillsonburg.

Friends assist

Rev. Peter Tucker officiated at the funeral service held in the chapel of McAuley Funeral Home, on Sat., May 11. He was carried to his final resting place by six friends Paul Murray, Brian Kelly, Steven Leslie, Wayne Guild, all of Rockwood, Oscar Feenstra, Acton and David Forsythe, Guelph.

Flower bearers were Pam and Jacqueline Doig of Rothsay, Brad Kelly, Rick Seim, David Cox, and Fred Smith, Rockwood, friends of the deceased. Glenn was buried in Dryyadd Cemetery, part of which is located on the old Noble homestead, in Maryborough township, the burial grounds of many of his ancestors.

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He explained that the program tries to teach responsibility above all else. The audience participated freely in the discussion. Many personal experiences and concerns were aired. During coffee time, the film "Boy to Man" was shown by principal Grant McRae. Parents had previously inquired about the film and many of those who saw it for the first time thought it excellent. Speakers and audience agreed in conclusion that the meeting had been constructive and informative.

### New member

One new member has joined the executive committee of the Rockwood and District Home and School Association.

Olive Carrick of R. R. 1, Rockwood has joined as a "voice from Eramosa." Other members include Ann Chesworth of Eden Mills, pres., Audrey Hudson, Rockwood, vice-pres., and Flossie McMinn, Rockwood, as treasurer.

### ROCKWOOD CO-OPERATIVE NURSERY SCHOOL

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