

Comin's and Goin's

Saturday was hello day for Mrs. Alice Hills when she welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Tom Waddington from Preston and relatives from England.

Rockwood friends say "hi" to Kathy Holman who gets the Free Press to find out what's going on in her own neighborhood. Kathy is in Yellowknife and hometown friends wish her well and say they miss seeing her around.

An urgent call is being passed about in Rockwood for a new Brownie leader. At least 34 young girls will be disappointed if someone doesn't volunteer. Last year's leaders won't be around with Kathy Holman in Yellowknife and Marie Ellen Saunders already enrolled as a pre-law

student at University of Toronto. Nice going girls. Last year's volunteer effort with the Rockwood Brownies was great.

A month tour of Europe is the exciting faint for Mari Ellen Saunders and her friend Vicki Rao of Guelph who left Friday night to visit England, France, Switzerland and Italy with a Eurail pass to see things the fun way. Have a marvellous trip, girls, and hopefully we'll hear from you soon.

Telephones lines continue to ring these days as many people are too far from home to answer. A happy holiday to everyone but how about calling in when you get home and tell us where you've been.



ROCKWOOD BEACH was jammed to capacity Sunday as picnic groups, campers and day visitors left the city heat to find relief on the country shores. Lifeguards were kept busy keeping eyes peeled on myriads of bathers while others lay about the beach capturing rays of summer sun.

Supervisor to write column

Visitors to the Rockwood park this summer will see someone new supervising the waterfront and heading up the instruction roster for swimming classes.

Janie Thorburn of Waterdown is the girl in charge of beach activity. She is 23 and, in the fall, will be returning to fourth year at

McMaster University where she major in physical education with anthropology as a minor subject.

A swimming enthusiast, Janie relates she has been swimming since a baby. She says she has been involved in the aquatic scene for the past seven years with Burlington recreation and McMaster University. She chalks up courses in Red Cross and Royal Life Saving Society as part of her background for swimming instruction and life guarding.

Program
Janie made the decision to make aquatics her last part-time job and applied for the beach position at Rockwood for this summer's occupation. She feels the park offers both recreational and swimming instruction opportunities which are worthwhile and rewarding.

Asked about the swimming classes, Janie said, "We chose the new Y aquatic program as it allows children to move at their own rate. If they are able, they can progress through two to three levels within their two week session." The teacher feels that, as the program advances, "no such word as failing, students should progress favorably. She hopes that, when the summer comes to an end, the children will carry on with lessons at the Guelph Y.

feels registration for the first season of classes is good. About 85 students ranging from ages two to 15 have applied. Janie hopes parents and friends bringing children, will also sign up for lessons in the next session. "It's never too late to learn something new," she says.

Large crowds
Intensive warm weather during the past few days has brought large crowds to the local swimming place. Keeping guards on duty from 9:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. All guards on the beach act as teachers and take their first aid and training courses early in the morning and late at night.

It's a heavy schedule for the swimming staff and a very busy one," says the supervisor. She reminds parents and visitors that swimming registration is still going on and life guards look forward to seeing more active participation with district residents. "The staff are eager to meet more of the public this year, either through swimming lessons or as friends saying hello when in the park," says Janie. She will be keeping up a running commentary of beach activity at the Rockwood front in a summer column throughout July and August.



Janie Thorburn

Club's first president receives presentation

The last Sunshine Club meeting was one of nostalgia and delight when over 70 seniors met together to finalize their meetings until fall but, more particularly, to make a presentation to the club's first president, Rev. Ralph Williams, who has been a mainstay with the club since its inception approximately three years ago.

Guests from Guelph and from the Golden Age Club in Acton were also present at the closing meeting, some of them taking part in the afternoon program.

Outdoor party revival of past

What began originally as a money-raising scheme by members of the St. John's Anglican church, developed into a community effort where many villagers assisted and participated to make last Saturday's outdoor garden party in Rockwood, a tremendous success.

Ranging from very young to elderly, district and local entertainers attended the garden party singing, playing instruments, dancing and generally providing refreshing entertainment for spectators who arrived to see what was happening on the church grounds.

Prior to the garden party, one by one conveners disappeared into the land of holidays but, as each one faded away, some valiant soul from the community volunteered to take their place. Young boys and men gathered up tables, someone provided a hay wagon stage, somebody else set up the acoustics and lights and, by the time the entertainers were arriving, everything was set for the show to go on.

Conveners in the kitchen prepared the luscious plump strawberries and, topping homemade cake and ice cream, it was served along with coffee and lemonade.

As well as Rockwood residents several campers from the park were intrigued by the noise of music wafting parkward. They too joined in the festivities and, when all attendees had arrived, benches and chairs were filled to capacity. Ladies in the kitchen counted out 300 plates of dessert distributed to hungry customers.

It was a fun evening—a revival of past-time Women's Institute efforts, or church lawn parties. In Rockwood it is reported that even the Horticultural Society used to hold such concerts on Sunday night.

favoured the group with a solo musical composition of her own, Jewels of the Sea.

Program
It was a packed program with Bert Davidson, Vic Smith, A. K. Thomas, and Mrs. M. Milne, all well-known Rockwood district residents, making their special contributions with readings, musical numbers and solos.

On completion of the program, Rev. Don Sinclair, on behalf of the Sunshine Club, gave a short address expressing regret that the Williams are leaving the Rockwood community and

Estate homes discussed

Zoning, size of houses, lots and additional set-back along country roads in Eramosa, were part of the discussion on home building approvals at the July 2 meeting of Eramosa township council.

John Benham, chairman of the Eramosa Planning Board (EPB), approached council recommending that planning consultants, Dryden and Smith, redraft a complete new zoning by-law to correspond with the Official Plan.

Council agreed; the consultant firm will draft a new comprehensive zoning by-law in conjunction with the Eramosa Planning Board. It was also decided that a moratorium will be placed on all subdivision proposals in the township until amendments to the zoning by-law and Official Plan have been approved by the Ministry of Housing.

Eramosa council further approved of the recommendation made by the planning board that only six estate type homes will be allowed for building in the township per year. Estate

type homes were described as being built on two to 25 acre lots and consisting of 2,000 sq. feet on one floor; more than one floor will require 1,500 sq. feet. Basements are not included in calculation of square footage. The planning board further recommends that parcels of land from two to ten acres shall have a minimum frontage of 250 feet.

Concern over child safety had prompted the request. To date traffic guards have little jurisdiction over motorists who insist on driving through when guards are on duty. If legislation is passed, drivers not stopping will be charged.

Eden Mills WMS plans picnic

The June meeting of the Women's Missionary Society of Eden Mills Presbyterian Church was held in the church parlor with almost all members attending. President Mrs. G. McDougall presided.

Following devotions and various reports, business was conducted. The ladies learned that the centennial tea, held June 15, was a financial success and president McDougall expressed her thanks to those who assisted.

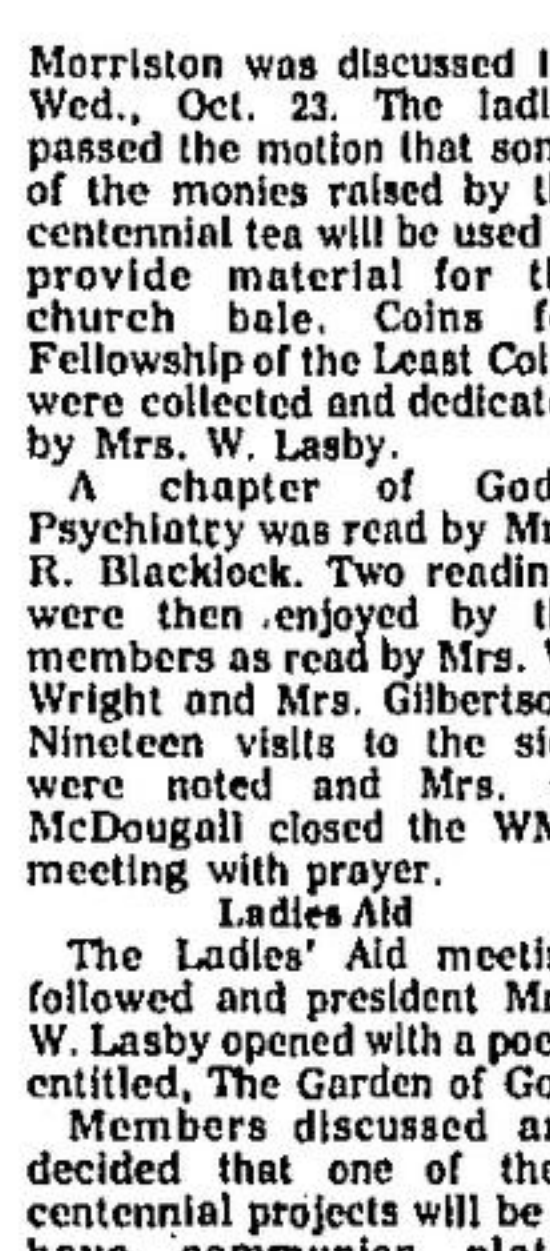
The Ladies' Aid meeting followed and president Mrs. W. Lasby opened with a poem entitled, 'The Garden of God.' Members discussed and decided that one of their centennial projects will be to have communion plates reserved; they also passed a motion to purchase a Presbyterian flag for the church.

With July meeting cancelled out it was decided to hold the August gathering as a picnic on Aug. 18. Mrs. D. Sinclair closed with prayer.

Rockwood and District

Pat Dales of Rockwood proudly displays filis

PAT DALES of Rockwood proudly displays filis armload of trophies won at The Rockwood Trail Riders Annual Endurance Ride, July 7. Pat was heavy weight champion and grand sweepstakes winner. Son John helps by holding the McGinnis Memorial Trophy, another victory for Pat.



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Consider violence

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Eramosa was requested to endorse the resolution which, if legislated could cut down some of the violence and effect new rulings. The motion was approved and passed.

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