





Easter story

Rabbit's saga of care

white rabbit which almost wasn't but is, only because the tiny creature was fortunate enough to belong to a little girl who loved him very much, whose parents loved her very much and didn't want her to be unhappy.

Misty Blue was a 1974 Christmas present. Santa Claus delivered him to the home of Sherry Brace of Rockwood, when he was just a few weeks old. With him went a sister rabbit for Sherry's brother Philip. Her name was Marty.

The delight of owning the bunny was short-lived for Sherry. On the day after Christmas the Brace family took a planned trip to Florida by camper-trailer. Arrangements were made for temporary quarters for the bunnies at the children's grandmother's home in Acton.

Disease During their time away, one of the rabbits, Misty, contracted a disease. Despite efforts to bring him around, he was in a sorry state when his young mistress arrived back in Canada, approximately two weeks later. In fact, he was already written off as semi-dead. Even Santa,

when contacted, could only give slight suggestions as to the reason for his condition and possible remedy.

"Eye-dropper full of strong tea," was what he prescribed, but, by the time Misty was returned to his home in Rockwood, it looked as if the end

It was at this point that Sherry's mom, Julie, took him to a veterinarian at the University of Guelph. He'confirmed Misty was very III and probably would not last until morning. The sick creature had no temperature, showed no reactions in any limbs and performed as if in a state of

Diagnosis - "Leave him here at the college where he can be put to sleep and later examined by autopsy." The vet was concerned that the second rabbit could pick up the disease and it was important that its causes be determined. He further suggested that maybe Misty could be taken home and fed, via eye-dropper, some antibiotics and formula which he prescribed. It was not ex-

pected he could recover. Home again So Misty Blue was transported home once again. A solution of warm milk with being reborn again.

egg yolk and corn syrup, plus the medicine, was given every hour on the hour for three days to the little bunny. He was also kept very, very warm, but showed little or no reaction.

"But he was still alive," relates Sherry. Mrs. Brace, prompted by her daughter, took the rabbit to and from work, placing him in a quiet spot in the

office where she was em-

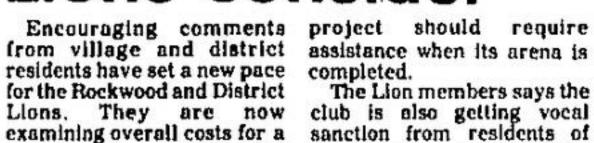
ployed, always ensuring he was warm and fed regularly. Three days later, what was considered a defuncto rabbit. began to respond. Within a week he was moving his legs and was up and about. Today he is a healthy, spirited little specimen, hopping about a pen and happy to be cuddled

by his mistress. To the Brace family, the incident is nothing short of a miracle. To the vet who treated him, it's a miracle. To Sherry, it's the most wonderful thing that's ever happened. To sister bunny, Marty, it's much better that she has company again.

To little Misty Blue, who Isn't so little any longer, it's just great to be alive. Especially at Easter, a time when all things of nature are



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Rockwood

and District

township.

complex and hope to come up with figures very soon. Spokesman for the club, Harry Bonner said an Erin township councillor told him that, if the arena is put up and into operation, it will pay for itself with returns also covering other costs.

completed community

Rockwood medical centre

came under discussion at the

March 17 meeting of the Era-

According to Lion Bonner, Hillsburgh arenacomplex, built several years ago, has operated without township subsidy since first constructed, Mr. Bonner feels can fare so well, there is no

assistance when its arena is

ection in purchasing furnish-

Running through some of

the items to be completed,

Mr. McPhedran speculated

that carpeting will probably

cost around \$2,000. He said a

club is also getting vocal sanction from residents of located close to Eramosa. northern part of Eramosa have also said they'd like to they'd like to contribute," he

why the Eramosa ways and means committee.

The Lion members says the neighboring municipalities Township residents from the see the project go through. "They feel the project is worthwhile and one to which

been looking at promoting the community centre only before moving on to the arena phase of the complex. The idea of completing the entire that if the neighboring arena centre at once has stimulated more investigation by the

four-ton air conditioning unit councillor Allan Burnett is being installed and that the were appointed to work with parking lot and driveway Mr. McPhedran. should be gravelled and hard-Hold-ups surfaced in the future by the He requested council's dir-

Space ready but no dentist

ings for the waiting room and

it was decided a delegation

would assist in making selec-

tions. Two members, deputy-

reeve Betty Lou Clark and

Although the centre seems to be moving in a finish-up direction, other matters could hold up its opening date. Arthur Ristan, public health inspector for the Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Health Unit was present at the meeting. He told council he was not in favor of the township connecting to the septic system of the Wellington County Board of Education as they were considering. He discussed with council the possibility of putting a septic system on a lot directly adjacent

to the medical centre. Council requested Mr. Ristan to evaluate whether or not the said lot is suitable for such a system.

Other hold-ups seem to be plaguing the poteritial effi-

ciency of the centre. When the decision to build and locate the centre was first made approximately a year ago it was based on a need for quarters for the village doctor.

Dr. J. Hosdil had requested council's assistance when she found her office on Main St. was inadequate. Plans were procured and the council investigated constructing a building suitable for the double-use for both a doctor and dentist. Dr. M. Ignlatov. a new dentist in the village,

applied for space. Since its erection however, the dentist is not agreeable to share waiting room facilities. He has turned down the option to move on the grounds that he requires his own private waiting-room for dental

Knowledge of his decision came too late for the council to advertise for graduating dentists at an opportune time. They are, however, attempting to procure services of a dentist for the building by

Council acts on dog complaints

A letter of complaint sent to for possible pollution. the Eramosa council from a Rockwood resident, regarding dogs owned by Mr. and Mrs. Gunner Allerellie of Main St., Rockwood, sparked a rebuttal at the township council meeting held Mon-day, March 17. Mr. and Mrs. Allerellie attended the meeting to refute allegations made by the writer who complained about the noise of too many dogs. The com-plainant felt the village dogs should be controlled and numbers allowed, complementary to size and ocation of property.

Eramosa council instructed the clerk to send a letter to Mr. Alterellie, informing him that his kennel license would not be renewed and that he would be required to pur-chase tags for his dogs. He was told the Wellington-Dufferin-Health Unit would be contacted to investigate

Took offence Mr. Alierellie said he took offence to the references in the letter. He pointed out that he should have received a letter from the complainant whom he knew to be a neighbor, Ian Weyman. He said he could not see that his dogs sald numbers were no a factor in dog control; that it restraint than to have a

keeps only live dogs outside problems they present. in the kennels, with two kept in the house as family pets. that Mr. Weyman's dogs run

garbage and freely polluting neighbors' lawns and plants. He lodged a complaint about

the roaming dogs.

Neighbors' letters In further presenting his case, the dog owner produced two letters written by nearby neighbors. Reeve Bill Adsett read the letters aloud in posed a problem as they were which the writers confirmed under control at all times. He Mr. Allerellie's complaints regarding the Weyman dogs. One lady wrote that she finds would be better to have a the Allerellie dogs quiet and large number of animals never allowed to roam; kenneled and under another reiterated that the Allerellie dogs were well smaller number which are behaved but complained allowed to run loose to bother about the freedom of the other people. He said he Weyman dogs and the

Art Ristan, inspector for the Wellington-Dufferin-Mr. Allerellie pointed out Guelph Health Unit, attended the meeting. He spoke on at large, constantly creating behalf of the Allerellie dogs. problems by tearing open Mr. Ristan said he frequently

stops to inspect the John's Ment market located across the road from the kennels and that he never hears the dogs barking or causing any disturbance.

Asked how often he cleans out the kennels, Mr. Allerellie Former student wins replied, "twice a day." The health unit representative said their regulations require they should be cleaned out only every second day for pollution control. Council instructed the clerk to write a dogs from running at large, so to conform with the township by-laws.

Paul Kupferschmidt of 13 students took part in the Bishop Macdonell high school

A former Rockwood in Guelph is a graduate of student will represent Rock- Rockwood Centennial public wood and District Lions Clubs school. He won the area at the zone nine, effective competition held recently at speaking contest to be held the Cutten Club, Guelph. Thursday, Mar. 27 at Park Robin-Lee Norris of Guelph, a letter to Mr. Weyman Manor public school in student of John F. Ross requesting that he keep his Elmira. Collegiate, took the honor for Collegiate, took the honor for girls participating. A total of

Winners of the area finals received \$10 each. Overall winners in the zone nine competitions will receive \$25. From there they will proceed into district finals and finally work into the multipledistrict "A" competitions for Ontario and Quebec students. Winners at that level will take a \$500 cash award.

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Rockwood bowling

New ownership

at Country Mart

Optimists sed the way at last Tuesday's bowling as they took 7 points straight from Al's. Sam Nyholt was the Optimist with the 130 triple. Singles showed 183, 197 and 250; Flora Bruce bowled a 543 triple with singles 177, 197 and 169. Dave Cleland bowled for Al's with a triple 522 and singles 147, 180 and 195. Hanna Cleland bowled 515 with singles 170, 213 and 132. Country Men took Four Corners 3 to 2 as Eva Bosch bowled in a 537 triple with singles 157, 229 and 151, Rika Loof bowled 528 to triple 151. 210 and 167. The Four Corner's star was Nellie Stokman who bowled 533 for triple with singles 168, 195 and 190, Ann Parkinson

made a 492 triple. Alley Cats Gooyers vs. Alley Cats showed the Gooyers taking a 5 to 2 win. Don Hilts bowled 610 with singles 218, 221 and 171, Clarence Hilton bowled 561 with singles 159, 190 and 212. Alley Cat Elmer Allan bowled 556 for triple. Singles were 179, 191 and 186; Ken Lush brought in a 545 triple with singles 154, 147

District farmers who have

come to use the Country Mart

on Hwy. 7 near Acton as their

place for purchasing John Deere farm machinery and

supplies, will be surprised to

find new faces greeting them

As of Feb. 1 the dealership

has changed hands. Don and

Linda Ross and their two

children, James 7 and

Gregory 6, are the new-

comers to the community

Centennial

Notes

By Trudy Clifford

The exciting options are now over. Grades four to

eight are baving a winter

carnival. It's will include

pulling teachers on a wagon,

a cake contest and three-leg-

ged re .es. It will be held soon.

ally begin on Friday. Thurs-

day is the day we get those

tabulous report cards. For

some of us that won't be such

now. It is held every Tuesday

sympastics. Right now Lians

the grade eights will be going

to Ottawn this year for their

The chess club has started

spent a day with us. He taught wood.

a break.

quite good.

school trip.

The March break will fin-

at the local mart.

Five points to 2 was the Carneys win over Jr. Farmers.

Nancy Ferguson brought in a 566 triple score with singles 205, 158 and 203; Danny Renaud bowled 173. Betty Law bowled for Jr. Farmers. Triple score showed 587 with singles 202, 167 and 218; Harvey Allan bowled in a 527 triple with singles 198, 165 and 164. Unruthfuls took the lead over Neighbors with a 5 to 2 final score. Sandy Fair unruthfully bowled 589 with singles 234, 230 and 125; Art Hebert bowled 580 for triple with singles 182, 184 and 214. Neighbor Doug Buttenham bowled 599 triple

score; singles were 187, 228 and 184. Dune McPhedran brought in a 595 triple with singles 235, 182 and

Nortons downed

Nortons downed the Guetphites with a 5 to 2 triple as Fred Nightingale bowled a 742 triple with singles 302, 219 and 221; John Gordon bowled a 584 triple with singles 168, 159 and 257. Sam Lawlor was the Guelphite with the 563 triple score. He showed singles 186, 191 and 186. Gary Parkes howled 540 triple with singles 142.

from Guelph. They recently purchased the business from

Alfred and Trudy Neumann.

Large Inventory Mr. Ross brings with him

little knowledge of farm

machinery but says he has a

company of his own work. He

is the former general

manager of a transport

As well as heavier, large

farm machinery equipment such as tractors etc., Mr.

Ross tells his potential

customers that in the John

Deere line he supplies every-

thing from the largest to the

smallest pushmotors. He also

has a large inventory of

machinery equipment and

even bicycles. "All agricul-

avid businessman.

tennial public school.

Taxis for

Rockwood?

At a recent meeting of

had applied at Queen's Park

Mr. Law pointed out that

Office for the taxi company

will be in the Colonial Hotel.

by-laws prohibiting taxis.

shears.

garden

and Friday and many of the Eramosa township council,

students are proving to be Ray Law advised council he

Paul Dekking, a University for a taxi license to operate in

of Waterloo co-op student the police village of Rock-

are in motion and it looks like the township did not have any

company in Guelph.

Itambiers 5, Trotters 2 was the final score of those two teams. Rambter Peggy Ellis bowled in a 579 triple with singles 218, 182 and 179; Bruce Farr bowled 167, 153 and 232 to triple in a 552. Doug Cross trotted in a 638 triple with singles 209, 238 and 191; Ted Jestin bowled 606 with singles 240, 206

and 160. Unpredicatables took 4 points against Rockets' 3 as Jim Heard bowled in a 519 triple with singles 180, 161 and 178; Gerda Bakker bowled 5:8 triple with singles 267, 136 and 135. Con Murray bowled for the Rockets to bring in a 690 triple. His singles were, 242, 233 and 215. Dune Kingsbury bowled

Team standings after games were tallied showed Carneys still in the lead with III points. Nortons 100, 3 Jr. Farmers and Four Corners tied with 102, 4 Neighbors and Country Men 101, Guelphites 95, 6 Unruthfuls and Optimists 98, 7 Gooyers 88, 8 Rockets 87, 9 Trotters 84, 10 Unpredictables 81, 11 Alley Cats 80, 12 Ramblers 66 and 13 Al's with

Women over 500 Lois Jestin 604, Betty Law 587, Barbara Murray 580, Peggy Ellis Barbara Murray 380, Peggy Ellia 579, Nancy Ferguson 566, Nellie Stokman 553, Muriel Buttenham 550, Jerry Hilton 547, Flora Bruce 543, Gerda Bakker 538, Eva Bosch 537, Rika Loof 528, Ellen Garner 517, Winnie Illits 517, Hanna Cleland 515, Remy Heard 511, Tvy Bitchie 507 and Orma Ferguson

Men over 606 Fred Nightingale 742, Con Murray 690, Dune Kingsbury 635, Doug Cross 638, Harv Jestin & San Nyholt 630, Don Hills 610 and 3rd

GRCA deep interest in country living and the ambition to make a public meeting

In 1971 the Nature Conservancy of Canada approached Massey-Ferguson Ltd. with a view to purchasing the property now known as the Chesney Wilderness area near Drumbo, Ontario.

Together with the Ministry tural implements"; says the of Natural Resources, this was done in 1972. A proposed The two Ross boys are development plan was drawn enrolled at Rockwood Cenup by Grand River Conservation Authority biologist, Al Sandilands. Many comments and suggestions as to management of the area were received necessitating a second plan to include such

further ideas.

parties to attend.

Invitation A public meeting will be held on March 27 at 8 p.m. at the GRCA administration centre at 400 Clyde Rd. in Cambridge (Galt). The GRCA staff will make a formal presentation and further suggestions and discussion will be solicited. The Authority has issued an invitation for all interested

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