

# G.R.C.A. holds first run

The Grand River Conservation Authority held the first "dry run" of its flood warning system between 10 a.m. and 12 noon on March 12.

The new warning system is the result of meetings with involved agencies and municipalities, and is a revamping of the old system following last year's flood. Major objective of the exercise was to test the system from the flood control centre through the Waterloo regional police to the designated local officials and to get the desired feedback. The radio and T.V. fan-out and Conservation Authority internal workings and field reactions were also tested.

Was general success. Iimar Kao, assistant general manager of GRCA acted as a referee. He said, "the exercise met the objectives and therefore was a general success." Mr. Kao felt the feedback and comments from municipalities and the news media, point out several areas where improvements and clarifications are necessary. He says a meeting has been called to work out necessary refinements for the communications system.



COMPETITION WAS KEEN at last Saturday's progressive euchre held at the Centennial public school as sponsored by the Rockwood Lionettes. President Betty Eason is seen presenting Mrs. Mary Nellis and H. Palframan with their travelling prize winnings. A large number attended to enjoy the evening of fun and cards.

# Recreation budget up \$400 over last year's

A meeting of the Eramosa recreation committee held Tuesday, April 8 was one of heavy consideration as members set up a 1975 budget for consideration of Eramosa township council.

Members on this year's committee include George Smith, president; Allen Burnett, secretary; Dave Masson, treasurer; Mr. or Mrs. Ed Jennings, Lloyd Dyer, Sally or Marshall Hamilton, Barry Burns and Art Turner.

In many cases there were ups and downs in allotments as the committee weighed fluctuating costs against requirements. Replacement of a screen was considered for the Rockwood hall park. An earlier quote from a reliable company had shown possible costs for erecting the backdrop would be about \$385. Members felt it could be erected more reasonably by members of the Ball

Association. The amount of \$200 was the suggested budget price. Park management and upkeep costs were examined for updating.

This year's softball requirements are same as last year. Chairman George Smith said that Eden Mills youngsters will be included in Eramosa playing this year. Diamond facilities in villages and districts will hopefully be shared. Monies designated for the softball playing fields and tennis courts were also looked at. It was decided that such money should be invested in bonds which can be converted when required, but placed to draw interest until needed.

Overall budget which was presented and passed at Monday's council meeting shows: \$2,100 for ball park management, upkeep and fence erection; \$750 for Eramosa Ball Association; \$150 for Eramosa Soccer League; night school classes, \$300; grants to local groups including Rockwood senior citizens \$50; Eden Mills senior citizens \$50; Lions club future playing fields \$1,000; future tennis club \$600 and Eden Mills community club \$1,000. Budget total was \$400 over last year's.

# Educators learn about new policy

Eramosa representative George Day, of the Wellington County Board of Education, was among a large number of educators who attended a one-day session held at Centre Wellington District high school on Tuesday, April 15.

The school board seminar ran from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the afternoon. Representatives were present from the regional office of the Ministry of Education in Waterloo to outline a new document P.L. J1 dealing with curriculum policy for the primary and junior division of Ontario elementary schools.

Principals, superintendents, trustees and consultants of the W.C.B.E. were present to hear background of the document and learn how it was formulated.

# Trustees to make repairs

Rockwood trustees held a special meeting Tuesday evening. After discussion it was agreed in principle to make required improvements to toilet facilities in the town hall.

They are planning a public meeting which will be held at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, April 30 at the village hall. Trustees hope that all interested taxpayers will attend to express views on the matter in general, with all input to be given consideration.

Although they probably began during the very dawn of Hellenic civilization, the first Olympic Games of which there is a record were held in 776 B.C.

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# Comin's and Goin's

Do it now! Write yourself a note to attend the Rockwood and District Co-operative nursery school bazaar scheduled for the Centennial school auditorium on Saturday, April 19 from 2 to 4 p.m. Games a plenty, sale counters of all types including home-baking, crafts and specialties. A fish pond for the little kids will also be on hand. Funds are to support the school and purchase supplies. Forty Eramosa children attend.

been a patient for the last few weeks in the Guelph General hospital. She's recuperating according to reports and should be back in her home-village very soon.

People in Rockwood who enjoy seeing Ray Death's 1934 Lincoln being driven about the village during warmer weather often like to chat with Ray about the car's previous owner Ned Sparks of Hollywood fame. Earlier this month, 90 members of the Historical Automobile Society of Canada (HASC), met at the Guelph recreation centre to view a real odd-limer, a movie in which Ned Sparks starred along with Fibber McGee and Molly. Ray was organizer of the evening and everyone enjoyed the show.

art, music and drama. Organizers say it will be a friendly, informative family outing.

St. John's hit the news in Rockwood again this week when men of the congregation catered to over 50 people, serving after church breakfast. It was a great day for the ladies—all they had to do was look pretty and eat.

Phys. Ed teacher Bob Love commented recently on the tremendous job the Rockwood Centennial school students' council carried out the day before winter break began. "They organized and worked very hard to make the Carnival Day a great success," said the teacher who feels the students are showing ability and industry in many of their accomplishments. He felt the carnival was deserving of, and received applause from both pupils and staff as well as other visitors.

Organizers are hoping to see a large crowd at the Tuesday night rummage sale being held at the Rockwood United church hall. Time on April 22 is 7 p.m. "Come and buy", say U.C.W. members planning the event.

It's welcome home from the southlands of Tampa, Florida for three-year-old Heather Reid and mother, Marla who spent Easter and two weeks with Marla's mother, a former Rockwood resident, Mrs. B. Kopper of Elmira. "Two weeks in the sun is the answer to this winter weather," says the tanned visitor who returned on Sunday via automobile.

Friends of Hazel Dalton will be sorry to know she's

Eden Mills

**Guide and Brownie news**

by Diana Wallace

We had a very special day on Saturday, April 5 when Diane Zeller, a music trainer from Waterloo came for four hours to teach us folk dancing. She showed us seven dances and, among these, were the Gay Gordons, Greensleeves, Schottische and Baltic Snake Dances.

other leaders. We have been especially fortunate to have them in Eden Mills to train our girls. For the past few weeks, the group has been practising a pantomime, Jack in the Beanstalk, which will be performed for the parents and friends on June 1. Some of the new dances and songs the girls learned on April 5 will be used in the show.

A dress rehearsal was held on Sunday, April 13, for the Brownies to give their leaders an idea of how much work has to be accomplished before a performance is given to the public. We are pleased with the results to date. Costumes are delightful and the characters loveable but we have a long way to go yet. There are lines to brush up, songs and dances to improve upon. The enthusiasm of these young girls is so rewarding. They can't wait to be on stage playing their part. Who knows, we may have a future Julie Andrews.

Badges have been awarded to the following Guides during recent weeks:

Cook, Sharon Vos; public speaker, Trudy Clifford; Sandi Gilbertson, Corina Pries; child care, Janet Tolton; emergency helper, Joyce Parker, Marjorie Ramsey; Corina Pries; fire safety, Sharon Vos, Della Chesworth, Darlene Chudder, Tammy Clifford, Dianne Chadder, Jeanette Wuebbolt, Dolores Martini, Joyce Parker, Sylvia Scheikle, Patti Alexander, Janet Tolton and Renee Tarrant; leather worker, Sharon Vos; little house emblems (for 4 housecraft badges), Jeanette Wuebbolt and Sharon Vos.

Trainers are Guide and Brownie leaders who have shown a special ability to teach groups. It can take about four years for a leader who has been recommended as a trainer to be licensed by the Girl Guide Association. Their usual task is to train

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