

# Comin's and Goin's

Pot luck supper was the beginning of a fun evening for over 130 family and friends of the Eramosa Choral Society members. It was held Friday night at Barrie Hill United Church and mothers of the group were conveners. Slides were shown of the group's visit in Austria and highlight of the evening was when each member gave a vocal account of special adventures which had added to the success of their trip. The supper began at 7 p.m. and was concluded around 10.30 p.m. Mrs. Roberta Hoy, music director, thanked all present and gave special praise to all who had contributed and assisted the choir throughout the year.

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An old custom was revived Friday night when a newly-born home on the Sixth line of Eramosa received blessings at a special service. Fifty

friends and members of St. John's Anglican church, Rockwood attended, as the Rev. Ritchie McMurray went from room to room in the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carrick and then, finally, blessed the grounds outside. It was an informal affair where whole families gathered to participate, and receive communion at its completion. Following the service a delicious gourmet buffet supper was presented after which people sat around and chatted. Guests learned that house-blessing was once very traditional custom which reaches back in history to the time of Christ. They were also informed that, in recent years it has been forgotten but is being started again in some places.

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Mrs. Alice Hills of Harris St. is in the Guelph General hospital once again. Friends

send a "hi" and wish her a speedy recovery.

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Brownies are still selling cookies, a large number of Scouts, tripped into Guelph last Monday night to see a hockey game and Cubs are planning a weekend outing at Barber's camp on May 24 and 25. To finance activities of all Boy Scouts of Canada groups in Rockwood, the group committee is holding its wind-up spring dance on May 17 at the Rockwood town hall. Music by the Shaynes is the big deal they talk about. With tickets limited, organizers advise calling Ena Petty at 856-4374 or Julie Brace at 856-4987.

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Lions are giving out the call to all supporters. A fund-raising dance is slated for May 30 at the Steel Workers' Hall in Fergus. Lions are ticket holders for contacts.

## Eden Mills visitor is ordained priest at 68

A well-known visitor to Eden Mills and Rockwood was ordained a priest on March 31, 1975. The ceremony was held in St. Paul's church outside the walls of Rome. Four hundred friends and family members attended to see Nigel B. Bourne, father of Ana Maria Bell of Eden Mills, accept the holy vows.

On the day following his ordination, Father Bourne's first mass was celebrated in both English and Spanish. Spanish was used as half the congregation attending, was from Spain, the birthplace of Clotilde Bienes, the priest's wife, who died nine years ago.

A choir of Spanish Carmelites sang as well as the awe-inspiring nuns of Mother Teresa of Calcutta who sang in English. This was a family-significant occasion as, at the same time, four of the priest's 18 grandchildren were making their first holy communion. They were Jaime, Phillip and Caroline Bourne, children of his two sons, and Robert Bell, son of his daughter and son-in-law Ana Maria and Rodney Bell of Eden Mills.

Assisting behind the altar were the families of Father Bourne's four children; four other grandchildren were too young to be present.

The congregation attending in his honor represented many aspects of his 68 years of life. There were his sister and friends of his youth as well as those he had met through his work as a civil engineer in England, Spain, Scotland and Singapore. Friends he had made after his retirement attended from Mexico and Ontario. Arthur Maloney and his family from Eden Mills were also present.

Eden Mills decision

It was four years ago in the quiet and peaceful surroundings of the Eden Mills community that Father Bourne decided that, at 64, he was not too old to dedicate his life to the priesthood.

He began his studies at the Beda in Rome, a college for late vocations. This summer he will begin parish work under the Bishop of Northamptonshire, England. The Bell family and their friends hope to see him again in 1976 when he will spend a holiday visit in Eden Mills.



WELL-KNOWN Eden Mills visitor is Nigel B. Bourne who was ordained a priest on March 31, 1975. His daughter Ana Maria Bell, her husband Rodney and their children were all on hand to view the ceremony. Ana Maria is seen with her father, Father Bourne and his daughter-in-law, Diane Bourne.

## Rockwood bowling

Time is running out. Bowlers are working hard trying to bring up averages before completion of this year's season. Topping the list of team standings is the Carneys team with 1300 pins; 2 Neighbors 715; 3 Gooyers 1110; 4 Beckers 703; 5 Four Corners 680; 6 Jr. Farmers 654; 7 Country Men 601; 8 Alley Cats 623; 9 Guelphites 602; 10 Optimists 679; 11 Unpredictables 674; 12 Uruthfuls 674; 13 Nortons 674; 14 Troiters 607; 15 Al's 630 and in 18th spot with 647 are the Ramblers.

Men over 600

Harv Justin 730, Ted Justin 732, Dunc Kingsbury 631, Fred Nightingale 630, Doug Cross 640, Bob Lilley 628, Don Murray 629, Jim Heard 618, Ross Gordon 615, Sam Lewler 613, Tom McCutcheon 608, Bill Garner 608 and Dunc McPhedran 600.

and 200 for a 580 triple; Guelphites showed Ross Gordon with 143, 189 and 283 with a 613 triple; Sam Taylor brought in a 613 triple with singles 235, 253 and 151.

Unpredictables had Jim Heard with 223, 201 and 182 with 616 triple; Archie Morrison bowled 182, 135 and 168 with a 495 triple; Uruthfuls showed Art Hebert with 185, 238 and 182 with 616 triple; Randy Peart bowled in a 184, 238 and 183 with triple 580; For Rockets Harv Justin tapped in a 783 triple with singles 307, 258 and 230; Dunc Kingsbury bowled 206, 243 and 202 with a 651 triple; Jr. Farmers had Mariene Tarzwell. She bowled 221, 177 and 215 for a 580 triple; Betty Lau bowled 246, 188 and 158 for a 592 triple.

Al's team showed Harry Sanderson with a 201, 164 and 221 set of singles and a 586 triple score. Dave Cleland bowled 157, 195 and 162 to triple in a 514.

Women over 500

Nancy Ferguson 637, Nellie Stokman 624, Marlene Tarzwell 580, Betty Law 582, Ivy Ritchie 580, Nancy Gordon 561, Muriel Burtinham 538, Eva Bosch 537, Marlene Allan 530, Corraie Renaud 530 and Winnie Hills 515.

Second to last week of playoffs show high bowlers on each team: Ramblers: Alice Burnett with 142, 143, 233 and 518 triple; Bruce Farr with 200, 143, 153 for 486 triple score.

Neighbors have Bill Garner with singles 201, 250 and 133 for a 604 triple; Dunc McPhedran bowled 158, 284 and 155 singles with 600 triple.

Four Corners showed Nellie Stokman as top scorer with 151, 217 and 254 for single's scores with 624 triple; Tom McCutcheon bowled 223, 218 and 163 to triple in a 604.

Optimists' topster was Sam Nyholt with 191, 187 and 214 to triple 592; Jerry Birkholz bowled 260, 188 and 179 to triple in a 760; Carneys had Nancy Ferguson with 198, 231 and 220, 637 triple; Bob Lilley bowled 222, 182 and 214 for a 628 triple.

Alley Cats' top bowler was Elmer Allan with 191, 215 and 179 with a 585 triple; Marlon Auan bowled 130 for triple with singles 188, 164 and 188.

Country Men showed Peter Bosch with 153, 216 and 212 to triple 581; Jan Loof bowled 159, 208 and 204 to triple 569.

Gooyers had Clarence Hilton 180, 211 and 188 with 587 for triple; Don Hills bowled 198, 188 and 210 with 593 triple score.

Ted Justin top scorer

Ted Justin was the Trotter with 226, 281 and 231 with a 732 triple score; Doug Cross bowled 183, 233 and 194 for a 610 triple.

Nortons had Fred Nightingale with 227 and 223 with a 650 triple; Ivy Ritchie bowled 180, 190

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## Cost a factor in renovations

A public meeting held at the Rockwood town hall on Wednesday evening, May 7, drew rounds of interesting comment. Purpose of the meeting was for the Rockwood board of trustees to get public input as to what residents felt should be done with the town hall.

Although the 40 count crowd attending was small compared to numbers expected, those who were there were vocal in their comments. Overall majority opinions were that the town hall should be kept. Most village residents felt it was a very required facility in the village which, if at all possible, should be retained.

Costs a factor

Costs were a big factor. Chairman Allan Osborne explained how progress had already been made on some of the problems to the town hall pointed out previously by the Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Health Unit representative, Arthur Ristan. He listed some of the problems but said he felt the trustees must first know the residents' feelings before proceeding with any restoration.

Don McRae of the Everpure Co., a sewerage recycling system, was on hand. He had been previously asked by the trustees to look at the building and surroundings to give a ball park number of what it would cost to put in the kind of facilities required.

With the use of the blackboard Mr. McRae gave an impressive and informative talk on how a sewage handling system could be adapted to the town hall. He explained how his particular system was often installed at the request of some ministry of some government when tidying up problem situations was required.

A package deal of about \$5,000 was projected which would not include inside washroom facilities. The spokesman pointed out it would require checking at least once a week, preferably daily.

Cost of running the system was discussed and physical floor space to house inside washrooms required. Jim Milne suggested an upstairs deck as all room in the hall was needed.

After lengthy discussions on costs, present uses of the hall and whether it was worth keeping and restoring, overall opinion was that it should be kept as a small pleasure area, providing

costs were not too exorbitant and did not outweigh the benefits.

Township and village residents expressed views. Nursery school teacher Anne Vos of Eden Mills gave an excellent commentary on why it was worth while as a nursery school both from the standpoint of location and as a functional building. The building was talked about in its weekly use as a senior citizens' quarters and how else it could be utilized as a required function in the community.

Resident sees need

Marla Reid expressed her views. They reflected well the general feeling of those attending. Referring to the Rockwood town hall and the proposed Lions Club project Mrs. Reid said she hoped that between the two buildings residents wouldn't be divided. She said she could see the need for both the Lions complex and the smaller hall. "I believe we should see what

it will cost to keep the town hall open."

Trustees said they were pleased at the evening's input. They will do a follow-up and get more facts and figures on costs of renovation. Those present were invited to attend the next board of trustees meeting set for May 29 at the town hall at 7.30 p.m.

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Tens of thousands of coho salmon fingerlings have been introduced into the Credit River at Norval and Inglewood in the past few weeks.

A tank truck from the Ministry of Natural Resources spews thousands of fish a minute from a pipe spout taking about four minutes to empty tanks of 22,500 fish.

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