

## Girl student is summer trucker

Customers requiring carting services and calling on Nicklin Auto Parts in Guelph, are in for a surprise during the next two months. Instead of a burly male truck operator answering the call, they'll find themselves confronted by a tall, good-looking gal and, according to customers of the firm, having to deal with the company with an autowreck these days, Jan 1 so hard to take after all.

How does an elegant young college student of interior design find herself spending the summer hauling auto scrap, changing tires and towing damaged vehicles from distances as far as London and Owen Sound all the way back to Guelph? That's the question posed by many curious onlookers who would decide right off, that Judy Hospes of Wetherald St. in Rockwood, should be in a fashion shop displaying chic ladies' wear.

But Judy is no ordinary pretty girl. She is 18 years old and already has managed to apply herself to many unusual jobs. Besides working as a store clerk, she has spent summer months as a nursing assistant at the Eden House Nursing Home. Last year she lone-handedly (assisted by parents on the side), took on the booth at the Rockwood ball park, running it efficiently, ordering and selling and keeping the snack shop open through all baseball games and summer events.

### Soccer club

Through the provincial support of the Ministry of Culture and Recreation, the Rockwood Minor Soccer Club will receive a pair of accretions to assist the organization in their minor sports program.

been another step toward the education savings of the ambitious girl. This year's career as truck operator is just another step in the same direction. A second-year student of Humber College in Toronto, she hopes to graduate next year and work with a design firm, planning home and office decor.

During both public and high school years the talented student showed an aptitude for art and, in her specialized course, her ambitions are being realized.

**First girl driver**  
With manicured fingernails, a bow in her hair and earrings, Judy is a picture of femininity. Her boss says about her truck-driving ability, she holds her own with the men. "She's an excellent driver," is the word of her employer who explains Judy is the first girl he's ever had on the road as a driver and he's very pleased.

At first the student was wary of the particular job. She had only two years driving experience with most of it being in a standard shift Volkswagen. She'd never driven a truck before. After only a few weeks she is picking up damaged vehicles located at cars in distant areas and has to manipulate the tow truck winch and slide dolly wheels in place. Repairing tires is no longer a big job for the summer worker; operating the dump truck also falls under her control.

Most of the time Judy is given jobs such as delivering auto parts but when she arrived to pick up a wreck at a garage recently, two little boys gathered around the truck and remarked, "Gee, I've never seen a lady wrecker before."

"It's all in the day's work," said Judy laughingly and started up the truck to head homeward to Guelph.



CHANGING A TRUCK tire is no problem for Judy Hospes of Rockwood. Judy is the first lady truck-driver ever employed by Nicklin Auto Parts in Guelph but her boss says she is an excellent driver and is pleased to have her on his staff.

## Appointments satisfy chairman Osborne

Trustee chairman Allan Osborne told the Rockwood board last Thursday evening that he was very satisfied with the three-men appointments made by the Eramosa township council to the committee in charge of investigating and correcting

septic and water problems in the village.

At a special meeting held Friday morning, Oct. 18, the township council appointed Roy Hillis, chief inspector of the Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Health Unit; Eramosa councillor John

Hewitt and trustee Osborne to the fact-finding group. The trustee chairman said that, as the first opportunity has been given to do something concrete about the problems, "We must not drag our heels."

Trustee Bert Smith said the

committee should have been composed of a larger group, and of qualified Rockwood residents. Mr. Osborne explained it was important to have a member of the township council on the job as it would not be necessary to keep running back and forth to council getting advice. He felt having Mr. Hillis on the committee was a logical appointment and a good one.

"Frankly I was impressed with John Hewitt and what he said at the township council meeting," said trustee Pat Smith. He told the trustees that Mr. Hewitt had a valuable background as the former building inspector. He

said he had expressed attitudes on how he about being on the mittee. "John said he will be pressured and I'm sure he will be very fair and look at things objectively," he told the trustees. Mr. Smith feels chairman Allan Osborne was the logical representative from the trustee board as he has both the flexibility of time and tenacity to serve on the three-man group.

Mr. Osborne said he will contact committee members as quickly as possible so it can decide immediately how to move in and expedite corrections to the village's pollution problems.

## Chairman says sign to go

A recently-placed street sign prohibiting cars parking on Fall St. and warning violators that vehicles will be towed away at their own expense, will have to go, according to chairman Allan Osborne at the Thursday

night meeting of the Rockwood trustees.

Mr. Osborne said, in talking with officials of the Guelph O.P.P., they had checked with their solicitor and were informed that regulations provided that the O.P.P. have no jurisdiction over parking on streets governed by municipal by-laws but, if cars are parked on roadways where no by-laws exist, they can take action.

**Favored sign**  
The Rockwood sign had been placed due to heavy parking on the Fall and Mary Streets area of the village near the conservation park, especially on weekends. Residents were concerned that in case of emergencies, fire trucks or ambulances would not be able to get through. Trustee Bert Smith said that, in the past, the O.P.P. had clearly indicated they could not enforce parking rulings in the village and that it would be the responsibility of a township-appointed law-en-

forcement officer. He was in favor of leaving the prohibiting sign where it was and having the cars towed away at the driver's expense.

"If we leave the by-law as it is and restrict parking along the entire length of the roadway, this means people can park and O.P.P. can't touch them," explained Mr. Osborne. He explained to Mr. Smith that, if the by-law is left as it is, it will be up to the township or village to enforce the ruling but, if it is removed, the O.P.P. will enforce it. He said the O.P.P. didn't act before because they were not aware of their position until they had checked with their own legal authority and had their exact position verified. The trustees decided to rescind all by-laws so the O.P.P. can control travelled portions of the road.

"Maybe we should send a letter to the O.P.P. and request a written confirmation on by-law rulings," said Mr. Smith.

## Lions canvassing

Canvassing for the Rockwood Recreation Complex will begin the first of September if all goes well, according to Lions president Darryl Nichol.

Appearing before Eramosa Township council Monday evening, Mr. Nichol explained that as soon as the building committee is formed money-raising campaigns will be underway.

## Tire rumble louder

Bob Hamilton, road superintendent and his crew put the sealing coat of gravel on 5th line of Eramosa on Monday.

Mr. Hamilton told Eramosa township council Monday evening that the road would be dusty for one or two weeks until it is travelled.

The big pebbles used will make the road surface rough, and result in more tire rumbling, but there will be more traction in the snow and ice during the winter months.

## Staff change

It is with regret that we announce the resignation of Mrs. Lorraine Root from the staff of The Acton Free Press effective immediately.

Lorraine has been active in the Free Press coverage of the Rockwood and Eramosa area for the past several years. The Free Press will be continuing its extensive coverage of the area and it will be appreciated if those with suggestions for coverage of events or with articles to submit, contact The Free Press directly at 853-2240.

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## Comin' and Goin's

It's great to see Isobel Mikelsen back in her usual place at the friendly post office these days. She just returned with her family from a three-week vacation out west. Two weeks were spent in Calgary visiting Isobel's sister Monica Labossiere, brother-in-law Dennis, and their four children. "A wonderful trip," says Isobel who says they drove all the way, camping out at night.

The Eramosa Action in Rockwood group hosted 55 children and five chaperones

from the Children's Aid in Guelph, Thursday afternoon. Occasion was to view the dramatic performance of a young O.F.Y. theatrical group who entertained 105 children of the A.I.R. program at the Rockwood Centennial school. It was a delightful performance where a huge monster and a talking piano came to life to become involved with a policeman, an aeronaut and Joan of Arc. A little girl was the heroine of the hour, all in tune with this being women's year. Leaders say the children loved the

show. This week's special entertainment will be a day at the Science Centre in Toronto.

Many residents will remember Grant and Sheila Rusk who grew up in the Rockwood area. For the last few years they have been living in Guelph but visiting friends in the village. With a new position on the horizon, the couple will be moving to Edmonton, Alberta, sometime this summer. It's "Goodbye for now," to the popular couple who, we hope will be coming back again this way some day.

The Eden Mills community hall was jumping on Friday, July 18, when a large number of village and district men attended a surprise stag party for Chuck Billings of R.R. 2 Guelph who will soon be marrying Cindy Levy, the girl-next-door. It's congratulations to the lucky pair. The groom-to-be received a purse of money as the highlight of the evening fun.

Eden Mills residents are busy again this year getting everything lined up and in order for their annual Fun Fair slated for Saturday, August 9. A top-notch ball game will be the start-off event, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Booths will open at 8 p.m. when bingo, a penny table, games of chance and all sorts of fun will be provided. Organizers promise the special Fun Fair hamburgers will be as huge as usual and that it's free entry to boot. They urge that all district people get involved in the fun evening. Receipts go towards the community centre fund which provides recreation and other activities in the village.

The Rockwood and District Lions Club got a boost recently when a sizeable cheque was presented to them from the Eramosa Junior Farmers Association. The money is for the Rockwood complex and will be placed along with other donations made towards the project.

## Last week was Five-Day Club

Backyards in the Guelph and Rockwood areas have, for some parents during the past week, been busy places, with picnic benches employed as children's bleachers and green grass as rug for sitting on.

"The weather was really super," said Silska Drijber. Mrs. Drijber is the district organizer of the Child Evangelism Fellowship (C.E.F.) program for the Guelph area. Monday, July 21 until Friday of last week, 24 clubs of one-hour teaching spans were held in the district.

**Extra encouragement**  
Called Five-Day Clubs, the interdenominational Christian activity in Rockwood was held in the Drijber garden on Mary St. Seventeen children from five to 12 enjoyed interesting 60 minute sessions of singing, memory verse recitation, Bible study, and fascinating missionary stories told in serial form. "The leader always gave a cliff-hanger ending which brought the children back next day to hear their conclusions," said Mrs. Drijber. Mostly, sessions were topped off with cold drinks and cookies. At the Drijber garden, an extra candy was encouragement for well-learned Bible verses.

For the entire 24 district classes, six high school students, boys and girls, constituted the teaching body. Some were from the C.E.F. headquarters in Toronto, others from the southern U.S.A., one leader was from the province of Alberta. Rockwood's leader was Helen Wyse, a grade 13 student from Don Mills, Toronto, who delights in working with children.

**Parents respond**  
Mrs. Drijber said she was very surprised but pleased with parent response. "I would have thought that most people don't want to be in-

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