

# Eramosa youth choir will tour east coast

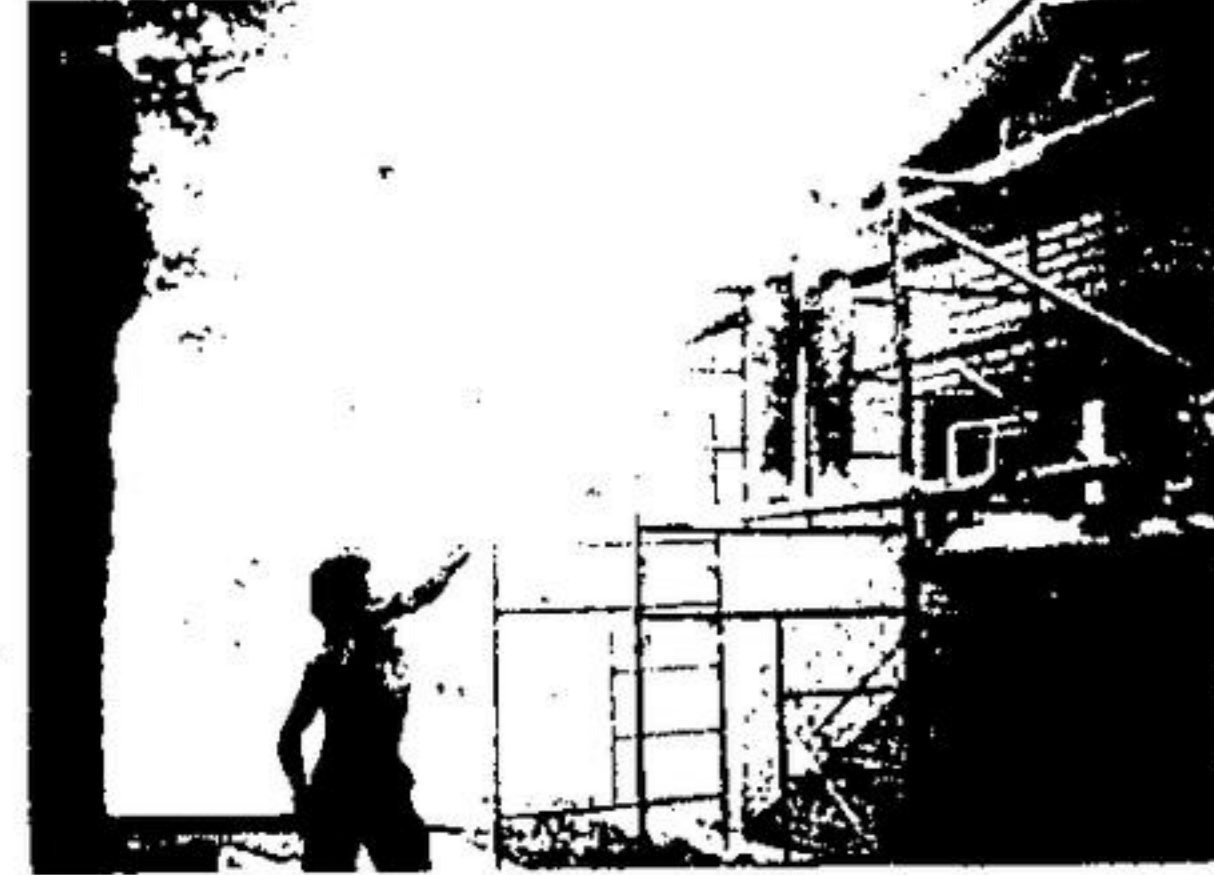
by K. Chalmers  
The Eramosa Youth Choir will not be travelling to Britain this summer as originally planned but instead will be going to the East Coast. The British Government has had to make several cutbacks in their cultural programs and as a result their invitation to the choir had to be revoked. The choir members are thrilled at the chance of seeing more of Canada and are as equally enthusiastic about their up

and coming trip to the East Coast as they were about the British Isles.  
They fly to Halifax Thursday, June 24 and will be presenting concerts at schools and churches in the Halifax, Dartmouth area. While in Halifax they will stay at the Holiday Inn. A touring bus will be at their disposal while on the trip enabling them to see much of the countryside. They will attend the annual Scottish Festival at Antigonish and will perform at the

Cathedral in Antigonish while there.  
Tour  
A two-day tour of the Cabot Trail with lots of time at the ocean is another highlight of the trip. The group will spend one night at Cape North and finish the tour the next day. They will then travel to Prince Edward Island by ferry where they will give concerts at Charlottetown and Summerside. While in P.E.I. they will attend an Anne of Green Gables Musical in Confederation Centre. Before leaving for Quebec City where they will spend their last night at the rustic Chateau Frontenac, they will give a concert at Moncton or Fredericton. Following their evening in Quebec city the choir will fly home.



WHAT HAS happened to the Post Office? That is a good question and many people picking up their mail or taking the well-worn by-pass to Guelph ponder this very thing. Well, have no fear, we aren't losing the familiar landmark; the cedar siding is being replaced with brick. It seems that the siding required more maintenance than will brick.



## Sunshiners enjoy musical interlude

by Robina Peacock  
Mrs. Vera Black, president of the Rockwood Sunshine Club, welcomed 39 members, despite the difficulties of getting through the village to the townhall on June 10.  
The meeting was opened with the singing of O Canada and then a sing-song followed with Mrs. Black at the piano. Mrs. Robina Peacock read the secretary's report and Mrs. Jessie Dunk gave the treasurer's report and a short business discussion followed.

Happy birthday  
Birthday greetings were sung to Ivan Harris, V. Smith, Mrs. Anna Wilson, Thos. McCutcheon and Mrs. Mary Fuller. Games came next and the euchre prizes went to Mrs. Alice Doby, Mrs. Nora McLean, Bert Davidson and Dave Robertson. Crokinole prizes were taken by Mrs. Florence Trousdale and A. K. Thomas.  
A lovely lunch was served by the Eden Mills ladies consisting of a variety of open sandwiches and small fancy cakes and cookies, which were enjoyed by all.  
The group was very pleased to have Mrs. Frances Finnamore with them after her illness and this was her first outing, it was good to see her. Andy Johnston is in the General Hospital and we all send get well wishes and hope he will be home soon.  
Mr. and Mrs. William McLean celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday and the members of the Sunshine Club send their congratulations and happiness for many years to come.  
The next meeting will be in the Rockwood townhall June 24th 1976.

Mrs. Cecil Nelles, the program convener, then came forward and called on Bert Davidson and Henry Leachman who then proceeded to give a delightful musical interlude on their harmonicas. Mrs. Vera Black accompanied them on the piano and before long they had everyone toe-tapping with such items as Waltz Quadrille, Cock O the North, Crooked Stove Pipe and a few more. This put everyone in a very jovial mood. Mrs. Cecil Nelles read a poem called "Rancher and Philosopher". This was a thoughtful piece and very good.



VIP RECIPIENT DAVE McNEILL (Left in photo) of 702 Willow St., Milton, is seen receiving a stereo component set from Howard Campbell, manager of Farmer Jack's. Dave was the lucky winner, having participated in one of Farmer Jack's popular VIP sales. These sales are three or four times annually, and are restricted to Farmer Jack's customers who are invited to attend by personal invitation (advertisement).

## Free Press Rockwood and District



ROCKWOOD CENTENNIAL Public School senior boys won the Wellington County Public School Track and Field "B" Division pendant at a recent meet in Guelph. They competed with Drayton, Mt. Forest, Aberfoyle and University Village for the 1st place position. Rockwood came 3rd in overall standing, boys and girls together. Front row from l to r are: Terry Clifford, Ruben Salmon (holding pendant) Bruce Delaporte and Rick Gooyers. Second row from l to r are: Donny Gibson, Brian Bilton, Larry Polo, Mark Stachniak, and Wayne James. Back row l to r are: coach John Jackson, Bill Jessop, Bob Allsop, Ken Timmings, Greg Hamilton, Ralph Kneigt and coach Bob Love.

## Rockalong W.I. tour Rockwood Academy

Rockalong Women's Institute members and friends were guests of Yosef Drenters at the Rockwood Academy. (owned and restored by Mr. Drenters) on June 8.  
The grounds were designed to create a setting for this historic building. Planted in 1971, it is a young garden in an old setting.  
Entering through the centre gate the group walked up the old study path to the

Black reported on a recent bus trip they enjoyed. This day trip was arranged by Dublin W. I.  
An invitation from Riverside W. I. was read. Several members plan to attend this tea in honour of Mrs. A. Bruce, District President.  
Mrs. L. Dyer, and her committee served lunch.

Mr. Drenters invited the group indoors to show the pictures, dishes, the library and the organ (really the interior).  
Interest was keen as Mr. Drenters answered many questions. Many thanks were tendered to the owner for his historic restorations. The group marvelled at the extensive research that has been undertaken.  
Following the tour, a business meeting took place at number 8 Community Centre. Nineteen members responded to the roll call "What impressed you most at the Academy?"  
Mrs. S. Black, district director, gave the report of District Annual in May. They were reminded of the scholarship which is being created in honor of Miss H. McKercher, who plans to retire. She has been Director of the Home Economics branch of Ontario.  
Plans were made for next meeting (September) at the home of Mrs. J. Benham with Mrs. G. Nelson preparing the program on "Resolutions". Mrs. C. Nelles and Mrs. W.

## Rockwood roundup

by Kerry Chalmers  
The Sunshine Club will hold its next meeting at the Town Hall on Thursday, June 24 at 2 p.m.  
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The next meeting of the Board of Trustees is Thursday evening, June 24 at 7:30 p.m. at the Parish Hall. The public is invited to attend. If you have a concern and would like to be put on the agenda drop in to the village office and speak with secretary Len Hockley. If you are just interested in how the village affairs are run then drop by and watch a meeting.  
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Area residents extend their sympathy to the family of the late Mrs. Emily Alton. Mrs. Alton resided at R. R. 1, Rockwood.  
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The Eramosa Youth Choir will hold a going away concert Sunday, June 20 at 8 p.m. at Trinity United Church in Guelph. The evening will also offer a guest artist, accordionist Joseph Macerollo. Tickets are available from any choir member. Advance tickets are \$1.50 for adults and children under 12 \$1.00. Tickets at the door will be \$2.00.  
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Jim and Jean Milne recently returned from a week in the Huntsville area.

## School break-in

The Guelph detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police investigated a break and enter at Rockwood Centennial school earlier this month.  
The break-in resulted in extensive damage to equipment inside the school, police report, with damage estimated at \$450. The matter is under investigation.

## Courses at museum

Summer courses at the Wellington County Museum will be held for the first time in conjunction with the University of Guelph Summer Campus Program during the first two weeks of July.  
The courses are open to any person and it is not necessary to be enrolled in the entire program. Courses to be offered at the Museum include Drawing and Painting taught by Frieda Nelson.

## Children's workers gather in Illinois

Children's workers from all over the world converged on the University campus in Illinois from May 24 till 29 to improve their understanding of the importance of their calling.  
Both North and South America, as well as Central America and the Caribbean were well represented, but the workers from overseas who had been travelling for days to attend, were given an especially rousing cheer of welcome. Australia sent a large delegation, while the Third World was able to send only a few, but they were so enthusiastic that they were soon well known. Among these was an elderly woman from Lebanon who had recently been forced to leave her life's work, due to the civil war, and now had to start anew in Syria, where the Moslem government demanded she remove all trace of the word Israel from her Bible literature. "It's a bit difficult when you have to ink it all out of the Old Testament", she admitted.  
Escape  
An escapee from East Germany asked our prayers for his family still living under Communist rule; "You don't value four freedoms enough until you lose it," he mused. "Over there you can't criticize the price of a dress in the shop window out loud." If someone overhears you, he can report you as a dissatisfied enemy of the state, and you'll be jailed!"  
Mrs. S. Dryber of Rockwood attended the conference and was overjoyed at the experience. "There were such excellent teachers to choose from, it was hard to pick out a favourite; they had the most famous people in their subject to train us. We could have stayed two weeks and still not had it all!"  
Teachers from Child Evangelism Fellowship head quarters gave practical tips in teaching children the Gospel story, while others taught the conferees how to understand the child, his problems, his discipline, and his mind. Music and inspiration were also supplied in abundance, so that the group was revitalized spiritually as well as mentally.

Besides the mental stimulation we had plenty of fellowship too. We were given room mates, and mine was from Alaska; she was delighted and surprised to see the greenness everywhere, her home still had snow."  
"I was also fortunate enough to have a class reunion with my class of 1974; more than half of the class were present. We spent a number of hours catching up on one another's news and adventures. Its really surprising what happens when people live on faith alone, and they trust God to supply their needs."



MRS. S. DRYBER of Rockwood was a delegate to the Illinois Children's Workers conference in May.  
The Canadian delegation wore striking badges with a red maple leaf surrounding the CEF logo of a child's

head. "The work is speeding ahead everywhere, we do need more workers, if we are to meet the needs to today's child. There are so many children overseas as well that must be reached, that new methods have been begun; Tel-a-Story (phone-in numbers for lonely children to call to hear a taped story), is well accepted in USA. The copyrighted CEF Tree House TV program might be available soon in Canada; it is well-produced weekly feature. Follow up teaching and correspondence courses have all been used to train the child in his Christian heritage."  
"Locally more teachers are needed for the eager children; winter clubs are over until September but the summer work is just beginning. Rockwood will have an out door class July 19. Parents may pre-register their children anytime for the popular week."  
One of the top religious speakers from South America traced his interest in Christian work to the dedication of one teacher who taught at a summer camp. "I shall never be able to thank her enough for the gift of life she gave me; if she hadn't persevered with me I would never have heard of this happiness May God bless her, and all teachers of little children everywhere!"  
—S. Dryber

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