

EVENT OF THE SEASON

GARDEN PARTY

ON THE OLD ACADEMY GROUNDS,
Under the auspices of the Rockwood Presbyterian Mission Band.

in aid of the Patriotic fund.

FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 2, 1975.

PROGRAMME

Solo Miss A. Wilson, Guelph.
Mrs. H. Auld, Eden Mills.
Rockwood Quartet.
Home Guard Musical Group.
Nanawaga Orchestra.
The Home Guard will give an exhibition of Ceremonial and Physical Exercises and Bayonet Drill.
Address, by Mr. Samuel Carter, M. P. P., Guelph.

Refreshments on Grounds

Program to commence at 8 p. m.

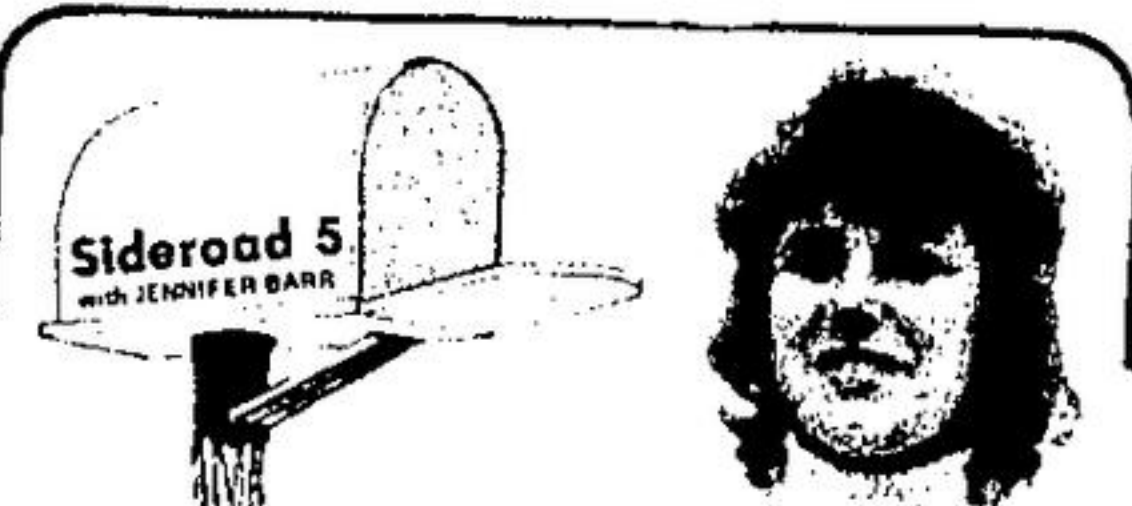
The Committee are doing their utmost to make this one of the most enjoyable Garden Parties ever held in Rockwood. Food and drink a pleasant surprise.

ADMISSION: 15 Cents
Children under twelve 10 Cents.
REV. W. C. DODDS,
Chairman.

ROCKWOOD SCULPTOR and owner of the Rockwood Academy Josef Drenters recently uncovered the above poster in his home. He had several copies printed up on original looking paper for his friends. Some names will be recognized.



BROWNIES FROM the first Rockwood Pack recently flew up to Guides. They are: front row, left to right, Reni Sue Smith, Cheryl Baldwin, Colette Nightingale, Leslie Rockola, Lauralyn Facey; back row, Lisa Logan, Kelly Anne Wiseman, Beth Haworth, Margaret Thomson, Elizabeth Noble.



A Trilogy of little stories to re-affirm our belief in the inherent decency of Man:

The first involves a young man living in Shrewsbury, England, an acquaintance of my parents. Michael Williams is described as a quiet, unassuming young man with no claim to fame until recently when he received a bravery citation from the RSPCA (Humane Society).

Michael didn't intend to be brave, he merely saved his dog from drowning in a ten foot deep bog.

When Sandy, a husky Labrador, became mired in mud and started to sink, during his evening walk, Michael dove into the bog to bring his dog to safety. Unfortunately, he found himself sinking faster than the dog, but instead of attempting to save himself, Michael concentrated his efforts on holding Sandy above the mud and yelling for help while he slowly sank into the sunset.

By the time the mud was up to his chin and Michael had still refused to let go his life grip on Sandy, a passer-by heard the cries and was able to get the pair out with planks.

Even then, all Michael could think about was the safety of his dog.

Wrong way George
Story number two occurred on the Scarborough Bluffs in East Toronto recently. Small dog, George, owned by Gary McGilgim, was lost for three days and finally found halfway down one of the cliffs unable to get up or down. Humane Society rescuers spent more than two hours clambering around that cliff trying to rescue George who refused to be caught.

Fortunately, his owner was alerted and George responded to his master's voice and allowed himself to be carried up the cliff to safety.

The last and most charming story is a very local one. I popped into Frontier Florists, near Rockwood, lately to buy some shrubs and swap pleasantries with my flower and shrub advisor, Jane Hodge.

While prowling through the mini-jungle trying to decide between yellow dogwood or ninebark, I was cautioned to step quietly round one small potted evergreen, no more than four feet in height. Nestled close to the trunk was a wee song sparrow sitting comfortably on four chicks. The minute babies were revealed when mama flew off for some food.

Apparently, the tree had been sold several weeks before and, indeed, sported a red "sold" flag. However, the owner agreed to leave the tree at the nursery when it was discovered the spruce was about to break out in chicks.

The staff had spent an enjoyable three weeks watching the course of nature and caring for the wee family. The tree will only go to its new home when the sparrows have flown. I bet the owner won't remove the empty nest.

A nursery within a nursery.

Erin Twp. discusses health care

by Doris Fines

Brian Sullivan, executive secretary for Wellington District Health Council, explained the purpose and objectives of the Health Care system, to Erin Township council at their meeting Thursday night in the municipal building.

The Wellington District Health Council was established by the Ontario Ministry of Health in June, 1975, as an advisory body to assist the Minister in making health care decisions for the Wellington county area.

These district health councils are being established throughout Ontario, in the hope they will be of benefit to maintain a high

quality and locally responsive health care service.

Several persistent problems have existed in the Ontario Health Care system, and the purpose of this council, said Mr. Sullivan, is to identify the health needs of the district, and recommend alternative methods. He stressed the point that they will provide advice, and coordinate in future planning.

One of the concerns of the Ministry of Health is that too many dollars are spent in curing, rather than preventing, he said. Gaps in availability of service are also noted, with a shortage of rehabilitation services and nursing homes. Emergency units of hospitals are abused,

and costs are escalating.

There are 17 members on Wellington District Health Council, ten from Guelph, two from Elora and one each from Fergus, Mount Forest, Moorefield, Palmerston and Hillsburgh. D. Coleman is the Hillsburgh member. All members are appointed for a one-year-term, and renewable for a maximum of six years.

It was of particular note that Erin Village and Erin Township has the lowest percentage of use of the hospitals in the county.

Pertaining to other business, Norman Bolton had two sheep and a lamb killed by dogs, and a lamb injured, to a total of \$315.

The tender of Bramalea Carpet Care and Building Maintenance, of Hillsburgh, was accepted, for grass cutting in the township cemeteries, at \$998.80 or \$7.25 per hour.

A letter of appreciation was received from Stewart and Billie Smith, for the work done by the Roads Department during the past winter and spring, saying they realize the difficult situation under which the roads department works, and were grateful.

A notification from Ontario Hydro stated, if a road was legally closed that had hydro lines going along it, Hydro has the right of way to still use the road for maintenance

of lines. The Hillsburgh Horticulture Society requested a grant to aid in their work of beautifying the town and local cemeteries. Last year they planted 30 to 35 red maples at Huxley cemetery. They expressed thanks for the use of the municipal building for their meetings. This request will be dealt with at the next meeting.

Glen Creba, building inspector and by-law enforcing officer, tendered his resignation, which was accepted with regret. Mr. Creba has sold his house and will be moving. Advertisements have been placed in the local paper for a replacement.

G. H. Ward has been authorized to publish the

financial statement of Erin Township Council, in the papers.

Balfinad Community Centre is sponsoring a Canada Day celebration on July 1, to raise money for Balfinad hall. At their suggestion that some financial assistance would be helpful, council agreed to donate \$100 to the cause.

Ed. Barden brought the road accounts, which were approved. Six tenders for a 3/4 ton highway express truck were received for consideration.

Council adjourned to meet July 4, for next regular meeting, also an earlier date to attend to unfinished business.

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10 The Acton Free Press, Wednesday, June 7, 1978

Council declares land historic

A presentation by the Heritage committee at the June 5 meeting of Eramosa council brought forth action declaring certain properties of historical value.

The Rockwood Academy and adjacent land were specified by the Heritage committee spokesmen, Betty-

Lou Clark and Josef Drenters, as of historic value.

Also under discussion and of great concern to the committee was the preservation of the Strange property. Mrs. Clark related to council many historical facts about the area. The Strange property is believed to be in the process

of a sale and committee members would like to see this historical landmark protected.

Mr. Drenters suggested the council ask other township councils what they are doing to preserve historical sites. He felt Eramosa has done little to preserve the sites and is behind many other com-

munities in this area of study.

Council agreed to declare the areas mentioned by the committee of historical value to Eramosa.

At the meeting Mr. Drenters offered to compile an historical pamphlet listing many of the historical facts, and places in Eramosa.



ROCKWOOD'S TOM Sawyer, Mr. Slipp, paints the picket fence which surrounds St. John's Anglican Church Green. Mr. Slipp is retired and this is his latest volunteer occupation. He is seeking the history of the fence from local residents.

Thirty-six attend Sunshine Club

The bi-monthly meeting of the Rockwood Sunshine Club was held in the Rockwood town hall, May 25.

The meeting opened with Mrs. Black, president, presiding. Thirty-six members were present, and the meeting opened with the usual, "O, Canada" and "The more we get-together" being sung with

Mrs. Black at the piano. The secretary's report along with the treasurer's report was then read.

The program for Pioneer Day was discussed and it was decided, Mrs. Precious, and Mrs. Morrison will take care of the penny table and Mrs. Kingshot will take care of the bake table. Mrs. Hoskin and

Miss Hannah will serve tea and cookies. Mr. Leachman then took charge of the program. Mrs. Leach gave a recitation.

Mrs. Anna Wilson introduced five ladies from out of town who gave a very lively entertainment program of music, each playing their

accordions and singing together many of the old time favourites that have gained popularity with all the seniors, along with some of the old time sacred tunes, understood and enjoyed by all.

Next followed the usual euchre games and crokinole. High score in euchre went to Mrs. Gilbertson and Mrs. R. Oakes. Mrs. Trousdale and Victor Smith took the tops in Crokinole. Afternoon tea was served by the Eden Mills ladies consisting of fruit bread and cheese.

Construction continues in village

By B. Wynneck
Summer road construction along Highway 7 is well underway. It will be September before the entire asphalt route from Acton to Guelph is

completed, according to Cox Construction superintendent Don Nelson.

The road from Acton to the new Eden Mills exit still requires two more coats of

asphalt. The highway within Rockwood village limits will be 48 feet wide from curb to curb. Provision will be made for asphalt parking on the side of the curbs. Sidewalk installations have already begun at Frederick St., Rockwood.

The present stage of development is called "traffic staging". The road is wider than usual to re-route traffic around the new roadways. The road will be "picketed up" and narrowed when the construction is finished.

Many new arrivals at Eramosa Library

by Georgina Keiso
Recent arrivals at Eramosa Community Library include:

Adult fiction: Papersnake, by L. Meynell; Walk Gently this Good Earth, by Margaret Craven; Nine o'clock Tide, by Mignon Eberhart; Leafy Rivers, by Jessamyn West; The Valkyrie Encounter, by Stephen Marlowe.

Juvenile fiction: And my mean Old mother will be Sorry, by Martha Alexander;

Edd in the hole book, by Richard Scarry; I'm going to Run Away, by Joan Hanson; Not Counting Monsters, by H. Ross; Melissa's Melody, by Sandra Love.

Non Fiction: Home Economic Careers, by Gilda Barger; Baby to Parent; Parent to Baby, by Ira Gordon; Country Scrapbook, by Jerry Johnson; New Automobiles of the Future, by Irwin Stambler; The Abused Child, ed. by H. Martin.

72 participate in bike-a-thon

by B. Wynneck
The Rockwood and District Lions Club and the Eramosa Ball Association co-sponsored their annual Bike-a-thon last Saturday.

Weather conditions were ideal for the 72 participants who pedalled the 25 miles

from Eramosa School, up and around Belwood Lake, and then back to the school.

Each rider enjoyed a hot dog a coke, and a rest for weary legs, at the Shand Variety, the three-quarter way mark on the route.

The Rockwood General Service Radio Club were most helpful in patrolling the course. At the check points, water was available for

thirsty riders and air for deflating bike tires.

Total pledges amounted to \$1637. The Lions and the Ball Association will divide the money, putting it to use for township sports equipment.

Prizes were awarded at the end of the day. The winners were: girls under 16 completing the course with the most pledges, first June Glendenning, second Betina Allereille; boys under 16, completing the course with the most pledges, first William Allereille, second Steven and Brent Lush; youngest girl completing the course, Kathy Ritchie, age 7; youngest boy completing the course Ricky Phillips, age 7; youngest rider with the most pledges Kathy Ritchie; oldest rider with the most pledges Ekka Allereille.



TWENTY-FIVE miles plus eight. That makes 331 Reni Sue Smith and Jamie Moss completed the course in the recent Rockwood Bikathon that started at Eramosa School and circled Belwood Lake. Then they pedalled home to Rockwood down the 5th line. That's enthusiasm for you!

Council eases up on severance applications

Action has been taken to begin applications for lot severances in Eramosa.

At the June 5 meeting, the council made the decision about the severances. The applications apply for severances on lots which meet the requirements of the

1968 by-law. The by-law states that no building may be permitted on a single lot.

Council suggested the Committee of Adjustment start making allowances because of the sewers and waters which are expected soon.



BROWNIES FROM the Second Rockwood Pack flew up to Guides. They are: front row, left to right, Leanne Spencer, Lori Geisel, Laura Davey, Tracey Bedford, Julie Davidson, Dianne Petty; second row, Veronika George, Karen Johnston, Cheryl Cunningham; back row are the welcoming guides Laura Jansen, Lieutenant June Jansen and Monika George.