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**OBITUARY**  
**A.K. Thomas dies at home**  
 One of Rockwood's oldest residents, Arthur K. Thomas (A.K.) died at his Guelph St., Rockwood home Sunday, following a two week illness. He was 95 old.  
 Mr. Thomas was born in Cambury, Ontario on January 14, 1884, son of Nicholas Thomas and Nancy Cooldge. He attended Cambury public school and Oshawa College.  
 In 1909, a year before his marriage to Ida M. Slout, Mr. Thomas opened a furniture and upholstery shop in Rockwood. As his business grew, he built the building at Main and Gowan. In 1919, he moved into even larger quarters.  
 With the advent of the automobile, villagers travelled to Guelph to purchase furniture, so he took over a local dairy business. Gradually, the dairy business enlarged, and he found himself in the egg business as well.  
 Mr. Thomas owes all his local success to one of Canada's first strikes. As a young man employed by McLaughlin Carriage, now General Motors, where he learned the upholstery trade, he lost patience during a strike, and sought employment elsewhere. He retired from all his businesses 20 years ago.  
 Mr. Thomas was well known for his growing and showing of Creelman lilies and cultivation of African Violets. He was a member of the Methodist and United churches where he enjoyed singing. He was chairman of stewards of the Rockwood Methodist church in the 1920's, belonged to the I.O.O.F. for 72 years, was president of the Rockwood Horticultural Society, and a member of the town hall board of trustees.  
 Mr. Thomas was predeceased by his wife in 1965, his parents, and his brothers and sisters. He is survived by Margaret (Mrs. C.R.A. Day), Ancestor, and one son Lloyd, Guelph, and five grandchildren.  
 Funeral service was held at Rockwood United Church yesterday (Tuesday) with Richard Hollingsworth officiating. Interment was at Rockwood Cemetery. Pallbearers were Christopher Day, London, and Roy Day, Toronto, both grandsons, Milton Greer, Burlington, John Pasma and Herbert Hohn, both grandsons-in-law of Mississauga, and Gordon Ostrander, clerk of sessions, Rockwood United Church.  
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 Records of specific ambulance service incidents will back up council's request. MPP Jack Johnson and the Wellington District Health Council will also be notified, council agreed.

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**Inadequate service concerns council**  
 by Barb Wynneck  
 Inadequate ambulance service in Eramosa township has council concerned. A request for upgraded service will be registered with the Ministry of Health.  
 A minimum eight minute ambulance service from Guelph to Rockwood can take up to one hour, according to Fire Chief Carl Meadows.  
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**Costly alternatives offered**  
 by Barb Wynneck  
 Eramosa township council has come up with two suggestions for dealing with Rockwood's Wetherald St. drainage problem, both costly to the individual homeowners involved.  
 Ray Ingleson of 384 Wetherald St. can initiate civil action to stop the 405 Main St. owners from draining on his property, Plumbing Inspector Carl Meadows advised.  
 The other alternative is for Mr. Ingleson and other affected neighboring property owners to register an official petition for drainage with the municipality. Individual owners will be charged their share of the drainage installation costs. Building Official John Salmon advised.  
 Roads Superintendent Bob Hamilton added that any solution to the problem will be costly, but anything satisfactory will have to be done under the drainage act. Grading on the higher sandy soiled Main St. development is such that the run off comes back onto the lower rear Wetherald St. properties, homeowners complain.  
 In June they requested council's action on the problem.

**More funds are available**  
 by Barb Wynneck  
 Funds are again available to Eramosa township homeowners through the Ontario Home Renewal Program.  
 Some \$20,000 is Eramosa's share of the \$20 million allocated to the 1979-80 province-wide program.  
 Interested homeowners may apply to the township office for funds to bring older homes up to minimum standards. Interest rates on the loans vary from 8 per cent to nil, depending on the applicant's income, said Township Clerk Lloyd Hindley.  
 The local building official inspects individual projects before and after work gets underway. The grants have particularly aided Rockwood senior citizens with water and sewer installation costs, the clerk said.

**Scarfe subdivision gets council's okay**  
 by Barb Wynneck  
 Rockwood's first subdivision was approved in principle by Eramosa Council at the July 9 session.  
 The eight-lot development is located on Queen Street's east side, running from Jackson to Christie Streets. Each lot measures 66' x 132'.  
 Owner B. Scarfe now has council's go ahead to submit his subdivision plan to the Ministry of Housing for draft plan approval.

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**Subdividers meet council**  
 by Barb Wynneck  
 Two steps are necessary before the 22 lot Eden Heights subdivision plan can be registered. Eramosa township council sorted out the problems with developers Doug Gansby and Mansell Lowrie at the council meeting July 9.  
 The agriculture area must be rezoned to permit a residential development. Steps will be taken to get the rezoning procedure underway, immediately.  
 The developers will provide evidence to the Ministry of the Environment, proving the area will support individual wells and septic systems. A previous plan of a central water system for the development was rejected by council.  
 In the meantime, council's engineering firm, Triton, will review the subdivision agreement.  
 Deputy Reeve David Masson explained to the Eden Heights developers that this is council's first subdivision agreement. Delays have resulted because of council's inexperience in dealing with such projects, he said.

**Sushiners have picnic lunch party**  
 Final arrangements were made in regard to the bus trip which the seniors are looking forward to on July 19. Bus courtesy of the Lions of Rockwood to the Summer Festival at Blyth Memorial Hall, a 2 o'clock matinee. Rockwood Sunshine club has tickets reserved. A noon lunch will be in the park. Arrangements are being made for supper on the road home.  
 Meetings of the club will be adjourned till September 15.  
 Many thanks to the three members assisting the Sunshine Band, Mrs. Marjorie Pollock, Mrs. Thelma Craig on harp and Russell Craig on the violin.



Trophy winners at Rockwood Centennial's award day were left to right, front row Kevin Galley, Leslie Rockola, Centre row, Audrey Van Driel, Kelly Dukelow, Robin Johnson, Karen O'Krafska. Back row: Robert Manten, William Allereille, Glenn March, Laura Brown