Council picks older name, not most popular

far as village names are name-Brucedale. concerned according to Eramosa

Township councillors acknowledged the most popular name for Stratton's Corners is Stratton's Corners, however, 24. they opted to have the intersection continue to road maps. This confus- identified the board's

Offices, just west of

Councillors considered the new and old names during Monday's regular meeting at Township Stratton's Corners, er, Brucedale, on Highway

Both names appear on ling assistance. The letter

What's oldest is best as be known by its original ing state of nomenclature came to the attention recently of the Ontario Geographic Board at Queen's Park. In an effort to clarify the matter the board's Pauline J. Roulston, wrote the township ask-

most important principle in settling such matters is local usage. Council Names ignored that principle.

Councillors unanimously passed a motion to have the hamlet-with a population of about 40-Brucedale. There is a service station and neighboring homes at tin.

"I would say it should hands again, so who be Brucedale because that is what it was," Eramosa Reeve Bill

Adsett said. "Why not write and tell them it started as Brucecontinue to be known as dale, but most people call it Stratton's Corners," said Councillor Ron Mar-

"The store's changed surveyed with the that was established knows what it is," observed the reeve.

Township building inspector John Salmon carried out a mini-survey of the tiny municipality's residents to determine if they had preference in

Five of five people

board's forms indicated that Brucedale is not used locally.

Most have put down Stratten's Corners, observed reeve Adsett while leafing through the forms, "One man said his preference is Brucedale," said the reeve. Brucedale was a name

after the Bruce family settled at the intersection 32 years ago. They built

the garage. According to Reeve Adsett a contest was held to pick a name for the place and the result was Brucedale. In 1956, that name was first provided

approved for official use four years later.

Some years later the garage changed owners and Stratton's Corners started to become pop-

ular with folk. "I think it (the name) shouldn't change with every owner," Martin to the province. It was said.

"Some said it (the name) didn't matter, but whatever it is, put up a sign," said Salmon.

Deputy-reeve Dave Masson suggests handing the entire question to Betty Lou Clark of the Local Advisory Committee for Architectural Conservancy.

Free Press-rockwood and district

Rockwood DIGEST

A major fire shocked Rockwood Friday and closed Highway 7 for four hours as firefighters fought to save the Bob Guyett residence on Main

Situated two houses south of the Presbyterian Church, the frame and clapboard dwelling erupted in smoke and flames at approximately 3.45 p.m. Friday.

By 1 a.m. Saturday the house, one of the original Rockwood residences, an estimated hundred-years-old, was a gutted shell.

Fire Chief Carl Meadows said the fire seemed to have started in an operating wood stove at the rear of the house. The pipes, recently cleaned, caught on fire, shooting flames into the attic area. There was no insulation in the walls, Meadows explained, and the house was built by "the old barn framing method" without firestops, so flames raced throughout the house via the walls. "We had an awful time trying to get it out", he

Volunteer firefighters answered the call within minutes, receiving the misdirected call from Guelph Fire Department.

One firefighter, on his way home from Toronto stopped to assist without adequate clothing. By-



Firefighters cut a hole in the roof of the Guyette residence in an attempt to get at raging flames in the attic. The Main Street Rockwood residence was gutted Friday.

standers directed traffic, rerouting vehicles to the Fourth Line until the O.P.P. arrived on the

The Guyett family were in Guelph celebrating the birthday of one of their three children when they heard the news of the fire on CJOY radio and hurried home at 5 p.m.

Neighbours and friends are assisting the

homeless family. No-one was injured in the blaze. The family cat escaped early in the fire. An estimated \$60,000 damage was done to the house.

Rockwood finds itself featured in photographs frequently, as visitors appreciate our fabulous scenery. However, recently, an entire movie was made in the area using the farm home of pro-

ducers Rebecca Yates and Glen Saltzman. The film 'Reaching Out', was seen on CBC television in January and was shot in Orangeville and Lake Simcoe as well as Rockwood last sum-

Perhaps we'll become like neighbouring Georgetown-discovered as a scenic area for the movie industry and inundated with wires, cameras, harrassed actors and American flags.

New appointments to the Eramosa Planning Board include Arthur Leslie and Rick Lewis, Continuing members include Chairman Max Storey, Eric Beauchamp, Vice chairman, John Benham, Elwood Snow and board secretary, George Day.

The Rockmosa 100 snowmobile rally will be held on February 17 at the Rockmosa Community Centre. For more details see the Community Calendar and the advertisement on this page. Let's all pray for some more snow for those exciting day-long races and events.

Eramosa Public School is in for some unscheduled changes, as principal John Hake finds himself transferred in mid-year to Guelph. Mr. D. Wilson, current vice-principal of College Avenue School, Guelph, will be assuming Eramosa principal and teaching duties in the grade five and six class early in February.

The Rockwood Trail Riders held their annual meeting at Centennial School recently, planning their equestrian activities for 1980.

A competitive ride is planned for this year after a hiatus last year. Rockwood Trail Riders have been forerunners in the popular sport of competitive trail riding, but didn't have the organizational personnel to run one last year.

Other events on the book are the annual Trail Horse Trials, four horse shows, two dances and a possible pleasure ride in the spring.

If you went to school in Rockwood between 1917 and 1922 in all likelihood you were taught by Miss Millicent Milroy.

Miss Milroy will be 90 years old on February 11 and many of her former pupils are planning a cclebration for her.

The lady is very spry and lively for her age and tells a good stery. She lives in the wee house on Richardson Street she built in 1940, with five adored cats.

She has lived in this home for about 20 years she thinks, having rented out the house the previous years.



Millicent Milroy, well known Rockwood personality and teacher, will be 90 next week.

Miss Milroy was raised in Galt and went to Normal School in Toronto for a year to obtain her teaching certificate. This was after she had already spend four years teaching.

Starting to teach in a one room country school in Eramosa Township at the salary of \$325 per year at age 22, Miss Milroy talks about the start of World War One.

The soldiers were tramping out, coming down the road, and I asked the children if they would wave flags-'I think you should', I said. . . I gave them each a flag and told them to sing 'Soldiers of the King' but they broke down after three lines...those hundreds of soldiers took up that song and sang it all down the road."

original school in Rockwood. She taught the juniors, 40 to 50 youngsters, from grades one to four while the principal taught the seniors, up to grade eight. The continuation school, the top floor, wasn't added until approximately 1930.

Miss Milroy enjoyed teaching in the two room

After her teaching years in Rockwood, Miss Milroy taught in Etoblooke and in Shillingford, a Northern Ontario town, until she had logged 35 years teaching and retired.

Along with her cat care-and she takes in many a stray-Millicent Milroy is an accomplished artist, displaying some charming water colour landscapes. Happy Birthday, Miss Milroy.

Rockwood Correspondent-Jennifer Barr, 856-

Ospringe

Spring 4-H project begins

The spring project of the 4-H Homemaking ersion. Prize winners for Friends of Mrs. Martha There will be materials, Club has begun, with pink cards were: high, Jackson will be pleased he hopes, for school use Mrs. Donna Sandy and Mrs. Debbie Clark as leaders. The girls will be learning bedroom decorating and macrame. The first meeting was at the home of Mrs. Sandy, with five girls present. Wendy Van Dam was chosen as president, with the secretary alternating among the girls. If there

are any girls who wish to join, they are advised to get in touch with the leaders right away. The euchre at the

church attracted a good

pleasant evening div-Mrs. Myrtle Gray, low, Mrs. M. Hurdle, and lone hands Mrs. Byron Bruce. For white eards: high and lone hands, Mrs.

Mrs. Rose Bryon of Burk's Falls, spent the weekend at the home of her daughter and son-inlaw, Mr. and Mrs. Max Schotsch and family.

Ward Bruce, low John

Stubbington. There will

he another euchre on

February 23.

Bradley Bruce is the school this week. studying this semester at Guelph University, maj-

to know she was able to in the spring. There are leave the hospital, and is back at Maple View Lodge.

Heyden have sold their farm on the Third Line, and with their family, Sarah, Becky and Peter, have moved to a farm on the Seventh Line of Eramosa. We wish them well in their new home.

Parent-teacher interviews are being held at The school principal,

Lorne Brown, attended a

A warm welcome is from Vancouver, B.C. to terested could contact

Rev. Carrie Doehring

was the chairperson for

the annual meeting of the

Presbyterian Church.

The Session is Roy

Lasby: William Mac-

donald: Norman Ber-

organist, anyone in-

Gordon:

Blacklock;

Gordon

Blacklock;

William

Wallace

turnout, and provided a oring in agriculture econ- farm safety presentation and discussion in Guelph. countless areas on the farm where serious accidents can occur, so if it Mr. and Mrs. Pete is felt that all children should be made aware of precautionary actions.

> Mr. John Little from Outdoor Education, conducted interesting classes at the school last week. They were disappointed to have no snow shoeing, but animal tracks were very plentiful, and created a great deal of interest.

the minister or any

London, and Mrs. J.

Jackson, Simcoe, have

been visiting their par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs.

Mrs. James and Mrs.

William Gilbertson were

hostesses for a going

away dinner for Katie's

daughter, Marie Davis

and friend Dorothy

Louch, Guelph, who are

bound for a four week

vacation in Australia.

Donna Henry, Shirley

and Wilma Gilbertson.

Visitors in the same

home last week were Dr.

and Mrs. Dan Stevenson

and family, Kemptville;

Kelta and Suzanne Fleck,

Mississauga, Mr. and

Mrs. Jamie Douglas,

present were

Frances.

member of session.

William McLean.

Mrs.

Others

Eden Mills

New owners for store

extended to Mr. and Mrs. spend a few days with his

David Banks, formerly of mother, Mrs. Betty

Burlington, who are the Marshall.

by Mrs. W. MacDougall After 13 years of storekeeping and handling the post office here, Mr. and Mrs. John Turner have sold their business and are now residing in Guelph, John and Irene will be missed by the community and we wish them good health and a pleasant future in their new surroundings.

with happiness and success in their new venture.

new owners of the

general store and post-

master. We sincerely

hope they will be blessed

Dan Marshall flew in

Rockwood bowling

Rockwood at the end of the fourth O'Krafka 587. Carney's are: Unpredictables 24, Lilley 546. Guelphits 0-The Slaves 21, The Lost Dune McPhedran 544, Causes 17, Lady Luck 16, Dune Kingsbury 616. Up and Downers 16, Unpredictables 5-Greg Henpecked 14. Late valk 554. Lady Luci 5 9. Countrymen 4. Car- Stokman 505. The Lost

Women over 500 for January 29 were: Ellen Garner 661, Marjorie O'Krafka 587, Alice Johnson 508, Marg McKersie 673, Erke Van Driel 600, Nancy Gordon 597.

Men over 600 January 29 were: Ken Lush 613, Elmer Allan 652, Roy Nightingale 643,

Dune Kingsbury 616. January 29: Henpecked 2-two highest bowlers: Dick Halliburton 577, Don McKersie 558. The Slaves 5-Marg McKersle 673, Erke VanDriel 600. lvy 2-Roy 652, Ken Lush 613, Dates 601.

Bowling Latecomers League team standings Hainer 661, Marjorie week of the third series 0-Ted Jestin 578, Bob Rovers 16, Guelphits 15, Dales 577, Ned Vandercomers 14, Ivy Leaguers Pete Stokman 573, Dick Causes 2--Walker McLaren 548, Maureen Bolzon 474. Rovers 7-John Roche 565, Gordon Ostrander 528. Country-

> 461, Bert Gould 428. Women over 500 for January 22: Nancy Gordon 642, Marjorie O'Krafka 587, Leila Kingston 574. Ellen Garner 563, Erke Van Driel 552, games Bey Dahmer 540, Jean Smith 509, Sue Nightin-

men 2-Ann Van Milligan

Men over 600 for McPhedran 731, Walker McLaren McKersie 638, Rick Seim Nightingale 643, Alice 643, Dick Stokman 627, Paul Holman Downers 7--Elmer Allan Howard Dunk 603, Chris

8th ANNUAL

ROCKMOSA 100

SNOWMOBILE RALLY

Sunday, Feb. 17

STARTS BETWEEN 8 a.m.-14p.m.

Main Street, Rockwood

lunch available at noon

PRIZES - TROPHIES - DRAW

at Rockmosa

Pledge sheets available at:

Petty's Garage

• R&M Shopette

Rockwood Pro Hardwere

· Royal Bank, Rockwood

· Swanston's Farm Equipment

FREE HOT BUFFET from 5-7 p.m.

FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS

NON-PARTICIPANTS:

Community

Centre

necker and Mrs. Evelyn Barden. Members of the Board of Managers are 5-Ellen Russell Wallace Lasby; Norman Bernecker; Blacklock: MacDonald; Mrs. Donna Henry (the first lady manager of this church); and Ralph MacDonald. who is also secretarytreasurer, Sunday School Superintendant is Mrs. Janet MacDonald and organist is Mrs. Marg Marnie and new son Blocklock. The Session is Branden, Oakville; Jim looking for a part-time Gilbertson and Jean

> Draft plan submitted Council is asking its engineers to check over a draft plan of subdivision concerning eight lots on Queen Street in Rock-Council received a

copy of the draft Monday from the developer's consulting engineer Doug Gamsby. The key issue is drainage, said Mr. Gamsby. The developer is J. W. Developments Limited.

Francis.

rockwood and district

calendar

community

The Rockwood and District Lions Club in conjunction with the Acton Free Press will be running a community calendar column each week

'Free of Charge'

when the coming event also appears in The Acton Free Press.

To take advantage of this double exposure please contact Jennifer Barr or Pat Kentner at The Acton Free Press 853-2010 at least one (1) week prior to the time you want the notice in the paper.

All Candidates Meeting at Rockmosa

Community Centre, February 11, 8:00 p.m.

Rockmoss 100 - Sunday, Feb. 17 starts between 8 e.m. - 11 p.m. at Rockmose Community Centre. Lunch available at noon. Prizes, trophies, draw. See activertisement in Free Press for details.

Parkedge offer cross-section

asserted to council that

the cross-section answers

story Parkedge's proposed development for Gordon Hill in Rockwood will come from Eramosa Township's engineers. Council forwarded a copy of a cross-section of

The engineer will forcouncil.

the proposed subdivision to the engineer Monday.

the development com-

ward his comments to a drainage problem and One of the principals in benefit Carrol St., said subdivision, if one dev-

Parkedge. lage trustees at the town- meetings. ship meeting.

motion

concerning

all the concerns raised by Sts. along Henry St. council in its detailed

Gordon Hill, subject of The plan will eliminate some citizens' concerns, would be a nice, gentle loop the watermain to hill suitable for a rolling

Parkedge's consultant eloped, said Mr. Jackson.

Churchill

Hear plight Chile's poor

by Mrs. J. Turner Representatives from Churchill attended the informal gathering Monday morning at Trinity United, Acton, to hear a visitor from Chile give a very articulate and interesting account of his work among the working classes, the unemployed, and country. In Chile the plight of the poor is steadily worsening as major forces in the government and military combine with foreignmultinational industry to strengthen and enrich themselves

through export of the

country's rich natural

A priest of the Roman Catholic church, he had spoken at three church services in Acton and Georgetown the previous day, as part of the Ten Days for World Development programme now in progress. In the same connection, there will be a panel discussion this Friday evening at Knox Presbyterian. Local men representing managelabour, and humanitarian views will discuss questions related to everyone's right to

earn a living. Please plan to attend. Churchill CCW have township.

The cross-section was from Frederick to Carrol

The Monday night discussion concerned the development of 11 lots That didn't go down too rather than the number well with one of the vil- 14 mentioned at earlier

ruary 12. Mrs. Eleanor Thompson will be hostess.

Eramosa

Eramosa township Reeve Bill Adsett advised council Monday there is a chance the municipality will receive a plaque to mark the 130th anniversary of the

moved the date of this month's meeting ahead to Tuesday evening, Feb-

Don't forget to save your newspapers for the spring paper drive.

Fire chief warns drivers plaque Eramosa and Rock-

wood Fire Chief Carl Meadows is warning nuisance drivers they'll face prosecution if they do not start obeying the Highway Traffic Act concerning emergency vehicles.

Chief Meadows said the back than 500 feet when police will be called if following an emergency drivers do not get off the road and stop for fire trucks. Moreever, trucks are followed to fires too

Fire gutted the home of the Bob Guyett family on Main Street in Rockwood Friday

Chief Meaodws aired

drivers to stay farther Friday's major fire.

his concerns at Monday's township council meetclosely, said the chief, ing. There was no pro-The law requires blem with drivers during

afternoon. Highway 7 traffic was rerounted for four hours, as firemen fought to save the hundred-year-old residence. No-one was injured in the blaze.

Adults \$4 Children under 12 #2 RIDE FOR COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT