

Free Press

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Rockwood DIGEST

Three young Rockwood gentlemen are in the news this week having made their parents very proud of them.

John Eastwood and Russell Fralech, both Centennial Collegiate high school students have won service scholarship Flying Awards from Air Cadets, Russell for glider flying and John for power flying.

Ian Pasmore has graduated from the Western Bible College in British Columbia and has answered the call of ministership to Watson Lake, Yukon.



John Eastwood

John Eastwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Eastwood of Queen Street, Rockwood, is thrilled to have been awarded a scholarship that enables him to spend six weeks this summer working for his private pilot's license.

"I worked hard for it... I'm looking forward to it," he said.

The 17 year old grade 11 student has been a member of 121 Guelph Air Squadron for two-and-one-half years and is nuts about planes. Last year he took the basic training course at Trenton with the Air Force and spent most of this year working for his scholarship exams.

He received the scholarship, one of approximately 75 awarded in Ontario, after he scored a 90 per cent mark on his final exam.

The course will be given at London Flying Club and after it's completion John should have his private pilot's license.

He plans to take up a career in aeronautical engineering.



Russell Fralech

Russell Fralech, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Fralech of Main Street North, Rockwood, is a grade 10 student at Centennial Collegiate and is also in his third year as a member of the 121st Guelph Squadron Air Cadets.

He will be taking a six week gliding course this summer at the Canadian Air Forces Base in Trenton thanks to the Service Scholarship he won. Prior to working for the scholarship exams Russell took a basic training course at Trenton.

The exams are especially rigorous and weed out the many applicants to fit the 60 to 65 scholarship places available in Ontario in gliding.

Russell's first experience with gliding was two years ago and he found it "great". At the end of his course he will have a transport Canada Glider License—he hopes. He also plans to join a glider club in Arthur.

Gliding and power flying, the license for which he intends to work later, are hobbies for Russell who is aiming for a career in data processing.

Rockwood Recreation Committee is organizing swimming lessons this summer at the Rockwood Conservation Area. Lessons will be held for three weeks of 15 lessons and will start on Monday July 21.

For \$9 the course sounds like a real good deal. Registration will be held Thursday July 12 from 7 to 8 p.m. at Centennial School in Rockwood.

A Guelph man was very lucky Sunday morning when he escaped from his '78 Jeep with minor injuries after it went out of control on Wellington County Road 44, just east of Eden Mills.

Rockwood Volunteer Fire Department were called out to wash down spilled gasoline which is why the whole village shot out of bed at 1.30 Sunday morning when the alarms and sirens whooped.

The jeep belonged to Randal Black and sustained \$2,000 damage after rolling over.

Help is needed by Rockwood Centennial School staff and students to keep the school grounds litter-free.

Students do regular cleanups during the year and often spend detention periods out on yard duty, but they still can't keep ahead of the mess.

Principal Grant McEae asks the co-operation of all groups using the grounds for extracurricular activities and sports in keeping the area clean.

Litter seems to gather particularly on the perimeters of the grounds on Pasmore Street, the unfinished portion of Clara Street and the pine woods belonging to the school to the west.

We have the most beautiful school grounds probably in southern Ontario and it's a spot to be proud of. Let's keep it clean.



Ian Pasmore

Ian James Pasmore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pasmore of Harris Street has accepted a call to pastor a church in Watson Lake, Yukon after graduating from Western Bible College in British Columbia.

His whole family were present at the graduation ceremonies held in Vancouver recently. As well as his parents and sisters, Kay, Mary, and Pat, the family was joined by brother Alan and family from Comox, Vancouver Island. Also present at the ceremonies were Ian's nephews Drew Whitaker and Jeffrey and Michael Marquis.

Since graduating in April, Ian has been on a public relations tour for the college singing with a quartet in cities and towns all over British Columbia.

A graduate of Rockwood Centennial Public School and Centennial Collegiate Institute in Guelph, Ian sang with the Meistersingers.

He has also worked with Teen Challenge for three years as a part-time camp counsellor assisting in the rehabilitation of juvenile delinquents. He was part of Ambassadors in Mission at the '76 Olympics in Montreal, an aim team for Christian Youth.

Teachers and principals of Rockwood Public School and Centennial Collegiate Institute should be very proud of these three young men.

Be sure to attend the Eramosa Pioneer Day Activities in Rockwood Ball Park this weekend. See the story of the front page for a list of activities. I'll see you there.

Eramosa Public School has been commended by the Wellington County Board of Education for their special presentations "the T.V. Connection" during education week.

To top it off, Eramosa Public School has been named host school for 1981 Education Week.

Please call Jennifer Barr, 853-2010 or 856-9096 with Rockwood news.

Task force forming

Nassagaweya wants out

By Jane Muller

The night was hot and the fever of emotion escalated to the boiling point Friday at Nassagaweya Township Hall as area residents joined forces to plan for opting out of regionalism, and the town of Milton.

Maurice and Elva Newton organized the meeting, to sample local support for the cause—and support there was. Compliments to the Newtons' initiative were heard, and funds were raised to support the move from regionalism and from Milton.

Nassagaweya residents are distraught about the costly tax bills, which have increased significantly since joining Milton and Halton Region in 1974. Rural residents feel they are paying for services in urban areas of which they take no ad-

vantage and, as Mr. Newton pointed out, Nassagaweya can't afford urban taxes.

"Tonight I would like to present a philosophy that in general is expressed from time to time, namely, that we be governed in a way that provides fair and equitable taxation with fair and equal representation regarding the levying and spending of our tax dollars," proclaimed Mr. Newton.

Nassagaweya holds one seat at the regional level and two at Milton Council. Regional government replaced the county system in 1974 and the Township of Nassagaweya became part of Milton.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton circulated copies of their speeches, with ballot forms attached. They challenged the people to make a commitment to the objective and to

spread the word to friends and neighbors that a movement has been initiated.

Government officials at the meeting were MPP Julian Reed, Mayor Don Gordon, Councillors Blanche Hinton, Brad Clements and Bill Johnson.

Julian Reed promised research and staff at his office would be available to any subsequent group formed.

He quoted Thomas Jefferson in saying, "Democracy is preserved by two things, constant vigilance and personal responsibility."

"I commend you and I am at your service," he added.

Milton Councillor Brad Clements, one of Nassagaweya's representatives on Milton Council, pledged his support as did fellow-rural Councillor Bill Johnson.

Councillor Johnson reminded residents one letter to the editor is worth 2,000 signatures on a petition. He said he would work with any committee.

Mayor Gordon met with some disapproval as he tried to encourage the people of Nassagaweya to join Milton's attempt to leave regionalism, but remain with Milton. He offered the group access to cost studies which have been carried out for Milton, including Nassagaweya.

MPP Reed intimated regionalism will be a major issue in the provincial election campaign this fall. This caused Councillor Johnson to suggest the time is right for a move by Nassagaweya to fight the regional system, although he would prefer to stay with Milton for the battle.

The next move for Nassagaweya residents will be to form a task force of those willing to volunteer their time and talents to the cause. The public meeting is Wednesday, June 18.

This second meeting will take place at the Brookville School gymnasium. The locale was changed to accommodate the large number of supporters expected.

Mrs. Newton suggested Nassagaweya may attempt to join Wellington County, where she feels rural areas are treated more fairly than in Halton Region.

Before any such decision can be made, studies of taxes will be carried out and if evidence supports the cause, government meetings must be arranged for further negotiations.

Mayor Gordon said the region will not speak to the problems of Milton for two or three weeks and Councillor Johnson said a meeting to review Bill 151 was adjourned and deferred, to be rescheduled.

"There is nothing within Bill 151 to say that a municipality cannot opt out. It doesn't say you can, but it doesn't say you can't," Mrs. Newton said.

She has her sights fixed on next week's meeting and the formation of a task force which will lead to researching the problems of regional government and the inflated taxes to which these rural dwellers are accustomed.

"As residents of Nassagaweya we have a right to be heard. I am willing to fight to my last breath to go back to the way we were," Mrs. Newton told the crowd.

Limehouse

Births and deaths reflect village life

by Mrs. A. Benton

Mrs. E. Sanford has returned from a bus trip to New York.

We are sorry to report the passing of Mrs. Cameron of Nova Scotia a week ago. She had recently returned home after spending the winter with granddaughters Mrs. Mike Payne formerly of Limehouse and Mrs. Vilestra of Acton. She was mother of Mrs. Vance Langille formerly of the Fourth Line.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. N. Mackay, 22 Sideroad on the arrival of their second child, a son last week. We are pleased to hear Mrs. Glendon Scott is well enough to be home from hospital and hope she will improve after treatment.

We are sorry to report the death of Mr. Payne on June 3 after a lengthy illness at Rocky Harbour, Newfoundland. Sons Elwood and Michael and

their brothers in Ontario and Alberta all flew down for their father's funeral June 6.

Congratulations to Miss Wendy Hannah who graduated from Queen's University with a Master of Divinity degree in May.

Mrs. James Stansbury held the winning ticket on the handmade WI "Harvest Moon" quilt, drawn at the Craft and Bake Sale held in Limehouse Memorial Hall, Saturday.

We are sorry to read of the death of Mr. O. Regent formerly of Limehouse, and extend sympathy to Mrs. Regent and son Fred and family.

Mrs. Robert Foster, Mrs. Frank Hannah, Mrs. A.J. Benton and Ralph Hollis attended a standard Red Cross course in first aid two full days last weekend.

The June meeting of Limehouse Women's Institute was held in the Memorial Hall on Thursday evening with

president Mrs. Anderson presiding and 14 present.

Roll call was what do you know about the ACWW? This brought a lot of discussion. Mrs. Kirkwood, secretary read an interesting account of the work of the ACWW.

Members were advised to phone council members to draw attention to the disgusting writing on the fences and buildings in the neighbourhood. One husband attempted to remove it without success. The treasurer mentioned liability insurance of \$50, was due. She is to attend a presentation of awards by the Scout executive to receive one on behalf of the WI.

Mrs. Moulden, convener of July 1 activities told of plans to date. The Pres. said Mrs. Brooks had offered to assist in 4-H work.

Although not present Mrs. Booth sent her delegates report of the Dis-

trict Annual held at Ashgrove in May. In 1981 Dublin will be the host branch. We were told not to expect the visiting District president to provide the program. She is intended to be the go-

to from the branch to the district.

Several ladies repeated their performance of the skit used as roll call at District Annual. They took a trip in costume to Le Sotho, in southern

Africa where they held a WI meeting. We learned something of the customs there and applauded in appreciation.

One senior member heard best wishes in song for her June 15 birthday.

Ospringle

Drivers receive pins

by Doris Fines

Among the school bus drivers receiving bronze, silver or gold pins, at the Safe Drivers Award Banquet at the Royal Canadian Legion, in Elora, last Wednesday night, were those driving children to Ospringle School: Barbara White-14 years, Gladys Lang-14 years, Georgina Hayden-3 years, Janet Christensen-5 years, and Ellen Mills-1 year. This annual event is sponsored by the Wellington County Board of Education, to recognize the excellent job done by school bus drivers. The pins are given according to the number of years driving without a preventable accident.

Lois Cunningham, missionary on furlough from Brazil, was guest speaker at Knox Presbyterian Church last Sunday morning. She showed slides with her own narration, of the station, the natives, and the work being done there by the missionaries. There was a question and answer period after the pictures, and Lois answered many questions concerning life there, which is on the opposite end of the scale to our life of luxury here. Gordon Aitken moved a vote of thanks to Lois.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wynne, Deborah and Eric, spent an interesting and educational four day

trip to Ottawa last weekend. The main event was the Lions Convention, and they stayed at the Chateau Laurier. The Lions parade was on Saturday. Debbie and Eric were thrilled with a teen-age roller skating dance at night. They toured the National Art Gallery, the National Museum of Natural Science, The National Museum of Man and the Parliament Buildings. They enjoyed an adventure with chopsticks at the Japanese Village and had a chance to brush up on their French.

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Howard, were their daughter Mrs. R. A. Craig and granddaughter Linda Jane Furlonger of London, and cousins Mr. Ken Gardiner of Brantford, and Mrs. Lois Stahlihaum of Dundas.

For their annual outing, the staff of Ospringle school had lunch at a Rockwood restaurant, topped off with a corsage and birthday cake for yours truly, who is really retiring this time, after promising to do so for the last two years. The gesture is appreciated very much, and my thanks to all the staff, who have been so kind and helpful to me for the last six years.

Last Tuesday, 197 grade 5 students from Erin Township schools, gathered at Ospringle to

hear brass selections from the Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony Orchestra. This was arranged by the Music Consultants from the Board. Each member demonstrated his own instrument, and the students asked many interesting questions.

Constable Butler of the Guelph OPP, ran a very successful rodeo on June 5, at the school. In order to enter the rodeo, the students had to take a written test first. The bikes were safety checked and it was then necessary to drive through an obstacle course. Congratulations to the winners. Primary, Leanne Coultis and Steven Eveleigh; Junior, Melanie Paterson and Heidi Schotsch, tied, and Gino Feletto. Gino had the highest score of all, which was 90.

Ebenezer

by Mrs. R. McLean

The strawberry social is planned for Friday, June 20, from 5.30 until 8 p.m.

Mr. Finley's topic was "Death Serves Him." In St. Luke 7, Jesus' disciples asked John, "Are you he that is coming?" Jesus answered, "Look around you." The proof was the raising of the widow of Nain's son from the dead.



Nearly 300 Beavers from Brampton and Bramalea were the special guests of the Halton County Radial Railway for rides and a tour on Saturday. The boys saw some of the oldest street cars in the world.

Eden Mills

Village top soil stolen

by Mrs. W. McDougall

You know that old saying "getting something dirt cheap"—well, someone literally got that here last week. The town foreman had made new flower boxes at the entrance signs to the village but before he had time to plant the flowers, somebody stole the top soil from the box out by the church.

Get well wishes go out to Art Ball who has been spending a few days in the hospital in Guelph.

The Friendly Seniors met for a meeting last Wednesday. The date for the picnic at McKelvie's in Arkell is June 25. There was a birthday cake for Anna Wilson

who celebrates on June 14. It was birthday time also for Mrs. Irene Burrows.

Friends in this community offer sincere condolences to Mr. and Mrs. Eric Lockett and family in their recent bereavement of Beryl's dear Mother, Mrs. Fishlock who lived in England. Mrs. Fishlock enjoyed a visit here with Beryl several years ago and we recall her friendly manner.

Miss Lorna McLean, Belleville, enjoyed the weekend with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William McLean.

Mrs. Ev Barden and her sister, Mrs. Jean Gemmill of Dundas,

were in St. Thomas for a few days to visit Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Halliday and family. They also visited their aunt in hospital who took ill while visiting there from her home in the West. Hardy is Ev's twin brother.

The weatherman didn't co-operate too well on Sunday so the planned outdoor church service and picnic for the Rockwood and Eden Mills congregations was held indoors at the lovely farm home of the Bonner Family in Rockwood.

Those who wished also participated in running races and played games. The Rockwood team won the tug-of-war. The Presbyterian Wo-

men will hold their meeting on Wednesday June 18, instead of June 24, at the church.

Just a reminder that there are tickets available still for the Old Time Dance in the hall on June 27. Contact Joan Lowrie at 856-4485. Price is \$10.00 per couple—dresses for the era of 50 years ago. Tickets to be picked up and paid for by June 20. Come out and kick up your heels with some square dances and enjoy the music by the Wellington Five Band.

Karate is finished for the summer months and there will be a notice in September when classes will resume.