

Free Press

rockwood and district

Rockwood

Cheese sale traps \$950

by Barbara Funk
Rockwood and District Lions Club reminds everyone of the monthly dances. This month, dance to the music of Persian Market from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday, April 25. Advance sales \$8, at the door \$10. Tickets are available from any Lion.

Rockwood and District Fish and Game Protective Association have announced the winners for the 1980 fishing contest. First was Lou Barro, Guelph, with a 12 1/2 lb. rainbow trout, second Barry Simpson, Guelph, with a 12 lb. rainbow trout, and third Dennis McLaren of Rockwood with a 5 lb. rainbow trout.

Tracy Tomlinson, Rockwood, took top prize in the ladies division with a 4 lb. rainbow trout while Patty Lasby of Rockwood took first place in the junior division with a 2 lb. rainbow trout.

Irvine Simpson, Guelph, also captured a trophy for his 1 lb. 2 1/4 oz. speckled trout.

Memberships for 1981 are available from George Ingle and Len McDougall.

Rockwood Tennis Club is having a membership drive at the courts on Saturday April 18 from noon to 2 p.m. If you can't be at the courts at that time call Linda Duncan at 856-4559.

A thank-you to the community from the Rock-

wood Cub and Scout Parent Committee. The bottle and till tape collection was a success. The committee reports \$234 worth of bottles and \$108 worth of till tapes were collected.

The Eramosa and Rockwood Home and School Association reports the students of Rockwood Centennial School raised \$950 selling cheese. The students will have another cheese sale between April 21 and April 29. The proceeds from these sales will go to the creative playground. The association also has plans for a bake and garage sale in June. More about these later.

The pancake breakfast held by the Rockwood and District Lions Club was a huge success. Approximately 350 plates of pancakes and sausages were served Sunday morning.

The Rockwood and District Leo club have challenged the Rockwood Basketball Team to a game on April 18 at the Centennial School auditorium. Time for the match will be 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome and they are hoping for a large cheering section.

Rockwood-Eramosa Firefighters answered two calls this week, both were grass fires.

Please call Barbara Funk at 856-4801 with community news.



Rockwood and District Leo Al Schenk helped serve up some of the 350 plates of pancakes and sausages during the club's breakfast Sunday.

Photo by BARBARA FUNK

Eden Mills

UCW elections

by Mrs. G. MacDougall
After partaking of the tasty luncheon served by the United Church Women, the Friendly Seniors retired to their quarters for a meeting. There were 16 present.

Mrs. E. Jennings presided over the election of officers.

The executive for the year are: President: Mrs. Jean Rinehart; Vice President, Mrs. Edith Jennings; Sec. Treasurer Mrs. Joan Lowrie, Mrs. E. Jennings remained as Card Convener.

Happy Birthday was sung to Mrs. Sada Gilbertson on the occasion of her 91st birthday. The lunch committee serviced tea

biscuits and maple syrup.

Rev. Carrie Doehring had a special Lenten service of song and stories for Lent on Sunday with members of the congregation, Sunday School and choir taking part.

Of special interest to the children was the reenactment of the Last Supper when Carrie served them grape juice and bread; a Cross that some tried to carry on their small shoulders; the dice; the crown of thorns and the taste of vinegar (just smelled I believe). A lesson little minds and big ones can remember.

Miss Terry Anthony from St. Andrew's, St. Lambert, Quebec has

been appointed as summer student at the Presbyterian Church while Rev. Doehring is on maternally leave. Miss Anthony is presently finishing an Arts degree at McGill.

There is some very sticky mud at the mill pond right now, so please warn your children because two little people had to be pulled to safety on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. William MacDonald have returned from a four week vacation at Apache Junction Arizona. They also visited their daughter-in-law's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Holmes and spent a day in Mexico.

Ospringle

Scouts get chains

by Doris Fines

George Walima, a senior scout in the First Ospringle Scout Pack, received his Gold Chain at last Monday night's meeting.

A Silver Chain was awarded to Ryan Groux. To get this chain, ten Challenge badges are needed.

The Bronze Chain was awarded to Darren Brown. Six Challenge badges are needed to get the Bronze chain, and quite a few of these have been awarded.

The Scouts emerged from Roller Alley in Guelph, with a few bruises a week ago, but took it as all part of the fun and exercise.

The Ospringle Guides, Brownies, Scouts and Cubs are planning for a mother and father pot luck supper, which will be held on May 12.

Parents and staff attended a parent's meeting at the school last week. Principal Ian Sanders gave a slide presentation on the meaning of education.

The school photography club have

made their first movie, and this will be shown during education week. The macramé club have made a bottle garden, and will be visiting a greenhouse in the near future, to conclude this elective.

Everton
by June Jansen
Residents of the community are invited to attend a Sacred Concert, Sunday, April 12 at the Everton Christian Church. The program will start at 7:30 p.m.

Many local people will be contributing their talents, as well as guest soloist Miss Ruth Ann Farbey of Guelph.

Following the concert there will be an hour of fellowship, and refreshments will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Slack are looking forward to a visit from Sue's mother, Mrs. Joyce Siemens and Sue's sister from Vancouver B.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jansen visited with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jansen in Orangeville over the weekend.

Obituary

Harold Griffin served community for years

A well-known area farmer, Harold L. Griffin, RR 2, Acton, died Monday, March 30th in Guelph General Hospital.

He had been in declining health for several months.

Mr. Griffin was born October 1, 1894, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Smith E. Griffin, and lived all his life on their Erin Township farm. His son, Smith R., presently operates the farm.

Harold Griffin attended Cedarvale (S.S. 7) Public School on Ten Sideroad, and later was trustee and secretary-treasurer. He was an active member of Church of Christ all his life, serving as church treasurer for 35 years. He was also for many years a member of Coningsby Cemetery Board.

He took a keen interest in agricultural activities, serving as a field crop judge for many

agricultural societies. He was a director of Erin Agricultural Society for several years, president in 1943 and 1944, and later honored with a life membership.

With his father, he was a member of the Canadian Seed Growers Association since 1915. He exhibited seed grain and potatoes regularly at the Royal Winter Fair, and was presented with a Canadian Seed Growers Outstanding Service Award in 1977.

Mr. Griffin also bred Suffolk sheep and Short-horn cattle. In 1979 the Ontario Shorthorn Club made him an Honor Roll member in recognition of many years of active service within the breed.

For more than 20 years Harold Griffin was on Erin Township Council, serving as councillor, deputy-reeve, and reeve. While on Wellington County Council he was

active on the roads committee and the agricultural committee. He married Jessie Reid in June, 1923; she predeceased him in 1977. He is survived by his son Smith R.

Mr. Griffin had an excellent memory and a keen interest in things historical. His reminiscences and anecdotes of times past enlivened many a gathering.

The Griffin family roots are Welsh, and have been traced back to Edward Griffin, who emigrated to New England in 1635. Five generations later, and after the American War of Independence, a branch of the Griffins, United Empire Loyalists, moved north to the Niagara area, founding and naming the town of Smithville in 1786. In 1838 Smith Edward Griffin came with his family to

Erin Township, and settled the farm at Lot 11, Con. 6 which became the Griffin homestead.

Harold Griffin was a great-grandson of that Smith Griffin.

The funeral service was held April 2 in Churchhill Community Church, with the Rev. A. W. Fosbury officiating, assisted by Rev. Robt. Hyde.

Honorary pallbearers were: Frank Gray, Henry Wheeler, Bert Berry and Elmer McKinnon.

Active pallbearers were: Wallace Swackhammer, Ralph Denny, William Thompson, Doug Peck, Keith Leitch and Paul Hamilton.

Flower bearers were: Charles Burt, Gary Leitch, William Landsborough, Bob Kerr, George Kuenzlig, Keith Aitken. Interment was at Coningsby Cemetery.

OMB ponders Leblanco fate

The Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) will decide the merits of objections to the proposed construction of a factory south of Rockwood.

Gordon and Annette Swackhammer, who live to the north of the proposed site for Leblanco Ltd., and Mr. and Mrs. H. Zandstra who live on the south side, have objected.

Each want a fence and a line of trees on the border of the factory. "The proposed industrial plant would inevitably disturb the use and enjoyment of our own property," wrote the Swackhammers.

Eramosa Township council rezoned the site to light industrial from agricultural. And, according to township building inspector John Salmon, the housing ministry approved the official plan amendment.

Council since passed a resolution, aimed at the OMB, which confirms its rezoning. Council considered the citizens' objections and believes the bylaw "provides for adequate buffering".

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New objections

Senior Eramosa Township officials will try overcoming last minute concerns by planning and adjustment committees to a Rockwood development which has been approved.

Committees want a park dedication and other concessions which will cut the housing development by four lots, Gino Civerio, one member of Park Edge Developments said Monday.

The township's lawyer, consulting engineer and building inspector are to draft an agreement concerning nine or ten lots in an L-shaped project on Henry and Frederick streets. It's to cover park dedication and road extensions for council.

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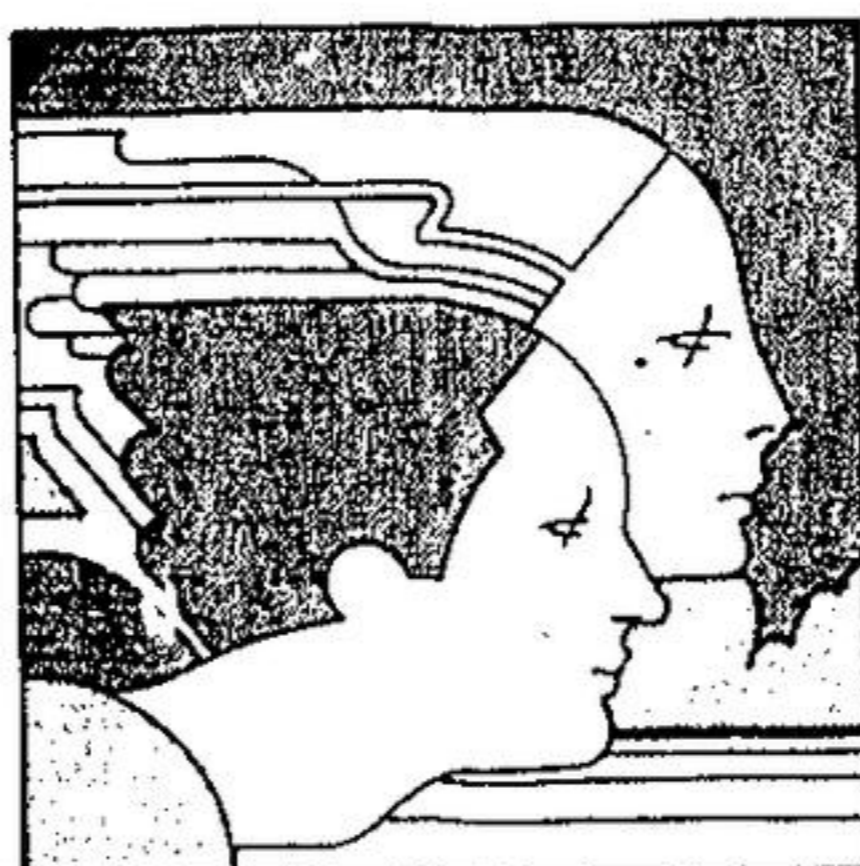
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