

# The ROCKWOOD Miller

## Township Digest

### Township pay hike

Under a new pay scale bylaw approved last week, Guelph Eramosa Township councillors will receive a 2.5% raise this year, the same amount given to non-union employees.

The remuneration bylaw passed last week pegs the mayor's salary at \$14,720. The 3.5 per cent increase means a salary of \$9,813 for councillors. One-third of the remuneration is for expenses, incidental to the discharge of a councillor's duties.

In addition to the remuneration, councillors received \$75 for each meeting beyond regular council meetings, a per diem rate of \$110 for all council members for meals and attendance at conferences, work shops, or legal trials, reimbursement for registration, accommodation and travel, and costs to attend conferences or workshops. As well, the mayor will receive a \$500 annual mileage allowance.

### Fire stats

Medical calls made up over half of all of the calls answered by Guelph/Eramosa Township firefighters in May. The latest statistics show that of the 22 calls, 14 were of a medical nature. There were also three false alarms, two grass/brush fires, and single calls for public assistance, a burn complaint, and a motor vehicle accident.

### Build it and....

Great financial news for the \$6.2-million Royal Distributing Athletic Performance Centre in Marden. Guelph/Eramosa Township's manager of Finance Linda Cheyne reported recently that daily use and overall interest in the new facility exceeds initial estimates. She said in

the first quarter of the year, more than 50 per cent of the total revenue forecast has been realized with bookings.

Located in Marden Park, two kilometres west of Highway 6 in Guelph/Eramosa Township, the state-of-the-art facility – two-thirds financed by the Federal and Provincial governments – houses a world class artificial turf sports field, a rubberized track, office space, coaching/learning room, outdoor multi-purpose fields, and outdoor fully lit, CFL-size football field, outdoor sports fields, picnic areas, community centre, and County library.

### Rockwood roads

Almost half of the \$235,140 budgeted to resurface Rockwood roads this summer will be spent for hot mix asphalt. Guelph/Eramosa Township Council accepted a tender from Cox Construction for \$117,140 to supply hot mix asphalt to resurface Pasmore, Balaclava, Inkerman, Clara, George, Price, Pine and the interior roadway at Lloyd Dyer Park. The remainder of the budget will be spent on gravel, catch basin improvements, cross culverts, painting and minimal curb and sidewalk work.

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Council also approved a \$313,915 bid from Cox Construction to supply the asphalt to resurface sections of Paisley Road and the Milton-Eramosa Townline. Milton will be invoiced \$125,000 for share of the job.

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As well, the Township approved a \$290,878 tender from Drexler Construction, to cross the Eramosa River to replace the water main and sanitary sewer under Main Street.



**ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:** Eden Mills United Church celebrated its 150th anniversary on Sunday with a commemorative tree planting and special service featuring United Church Moderator Mardi Tyndal (right), the Reverend Daryl Webber and Corbinne Pothier. – Ted Tyler photo



### News & Events

**Little Idol Show:** With all the hype of American Idol, we decided it was time for all the cutest kids in the world to belt out Eensy Weensie Spider, Head and Shoulders, or any song of their choice. Maybe we will see a "Little Lady Ga Ga" perform. We'll have a ribbon ceremony, and a small panel of judges to cheer our singers on. Freebies for everyone. Pick a favourite song and have your child start practicing. Join us at the gazebo at McMillan Park on Main Street in Erin. Bring a lawn chair, and your camera. If it is raining, we will move into the Anglican Church next to the Post Office. Please email marlene.m@ew-cs.com to register your child. (For children 0 – six yrs. One song per child.)

July's Seniors Day Trip is to the OLG Slots at the Georgian Downs. Over 1,000 slot machines will fill you with excitement and the ultra modern gaming floor features interactive machines like Blackjack, Poker and Roulette, plus classic favourites like Blazing 7s and Wheel of Fortune. On site lunch/dinner options are available. The cost for return transportation is \$37 (meal not included.) Call Rick to reserve your spot 519-833-9696 x 229.

EWCS's Annual General Meeting is on Thursday, September 15 at 6 p.m. in the Shamrock Room at Center 2000 in

Erin. All are welcome to attend and hear the agency's annual report. However, only those who have become members 30 days before the AGM are eligible to vote at the meeting. Membership is only \$10, and helps support the programs and services of EWCS. Contact the office to become a member.

Fitness programs for new moms will improve health and benefit a good cause. Part of the proceeds from Fit You Personal Training's Mom & Baby Aquafit and Stroller Boot Camp classes are being donated to EWCS. Details about these classes, as well as all of the free programs EWCS's children's program normally offers can be viewed at [www.meetup.com/EWCS-Childrens-Playgroups](http://www.meetup.com/EWCS-Childrens-Playgroups)

The Food Banks in Erin and Rockwood are in desperate need of instant coffee, canned vegetables and pasta sauce. Your donations or non-perishable goods are always greatly appreciated and can be dropped off to 45 Main Street in Erin, or 106 Church Street in Rockwood.

EWCS's new Rural Transportation program is up and running. The bus will be rolling four days a week, from locations all around the East Wellington area to shopping centres in Guelph. Full details about routes and schedules are available online [www.ew-cs.com](http://www.ew-cs.com) or pick up a brochure in one of our offices.



**KNAPP'S COUNTRY VILLAGE:** Knapp's Country Market owner Roger Knapp and manager Deborah Butts took a break from celebrating the grand opening of the market on Saturday. The facility on Wellington Road 124 features dining, shopping and playing. – Ted Tyler photo

## ROCKWOOD - EDEN MILLS

Village Carriers required for Thursday deliveries to Rockwood & Eden Mills.

Also - Motor Route Drivers required for all Rockwood Rural areas.

Suitable for students, adults, early retirees. - No collecting.

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