Road work begins

Two days after the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) began to reconstruct Highway 7 through Rockwood, the project management company, Delcan Corporation, held a public meeting on August 4 at Rockmosa that drew approximately 50 people.

Guelph/Eramosa Township Mayor Chris White said the project start was pushed back numerous times, and although it would have been a courtesy to give people two weeks notice of the meeting, that didn't happen. Each resident of Rockwood did receive a latter informing them of the meeting.

"This (project) has been delayed so long – at least it is moving ahead," White said on Tuesday, adding crews have begun to remove old curbs. This year's project includes reconstructing the highway, replacing cubs and installing sidewalks (at the Township's expense) on Alma Street from Falls Street at the Conservation Area to George Street.

Next year, the work will continue from George Street to the intersection of Halton Regional Road 32, the cut off for Eden Mills.

The \$7-million project also includes rehabilitation of the Guelph/Eramosa bridge with improvements to the culverts and drainage systems, and an eastbound left-hand turn lane on Highway 7 at Harris Street. The total project should be complete by late 2012



WEDDED, OR WEBBED BLISS: Everything was lovey dovey – or maybe great goosey – during the nuptials held in rural Rockwood. No word if the happy couple will fly south for their honeymoon.

- Marie Shadbolt photo

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 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. Freezies for everyone. Pick a favorite song and have your child start practicing. Join us at the gazebo at McMillan Park on Main Street in Erin on Thursday, August 18. We hope to see a lot of little idols in their fancy clothes. 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 – 6 yrs. One song per child.)

• EWCS's Annual General Meeting will take place on Thursday September 15 at 6:00 p.m. in the Shamrock Room at Center 2000 in Erin. Everyone and anyone 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.

 The Food Banks in Erin and Rockwood are in desperate need of instant coffee, canned vegetables and pasta sauce. Your donations or nonperishable 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 Bus program is up and running.
There are many pickup locations in Erin, Rockwood, Hillsburgh, Orton and we will even pick up at the end of our driveway if you are on the route. Its just \$10 roundtrip.

Sylvia Tyson headlines Eden Mills Writers Festival

Internationally recognized musician, song-writer, performer, broadcaster, and author Sylvia Tyson, will perform at the 23rd annual Eden Mills Writers' Festival on Sunday, September 18.

The Eden Mills Writers' Festival attracts book lovers of all ages, as well as those who enjoy a relaxing outdoor family event. Canadian authors of fiction, poetry and prose gather every year in the village and read from their latest work. Every 20 minutes a different author reads, from four leafy gardens and meadows, behind the homes of our residents.

"This year we welcome a stellar line-up of authors. With poignant stories from the past, nail-biting thrillers, humour, mayhem, historical fantasies, and tales of vengeance and revenge, you're sure to discover new voices and meet up with old favourites, said Kim Lang, Artistic Director.

Visit www.edenmills-

writersfestival.ca for a complete list of this year's authors and events.

Although Festival Sunday is the main event of the weekend, the festival begins on Thursday evening, September 15, at the University of Guelph, with a presentation by Shelagh D. Grant, Canada's leading Arctic historian and winner of the 2011 Lionel Gelber Prize and the Dafoe Book Prize.

See festival website for details at www.edenmillswritersfestival.ca

Not so fast, buddy



27th Annual General Meeting

The public, and all members of East Wellington Community Services – EWCS, are invited to attend the 27th Annual General Meeting on Thursday, September 15, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the Shamrock Room, Centre 2000, 14 Boland Drive, Erin.

Please note that only members who have purchased their annual membership prior to August 15, 2011 will be eligible to vote at the AGM. Memberships can be purchased at the EWCS office at 45 Main Street, Erin or at 106 Church Street, Rockwood for \$10 each.



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A 21-year old rural Rockwood man was charged with Race a Motor Vehicle contrary to the Highway Traffic Act after he was caught doing 103km/h in a 50-km/h zone last Wednesday after-

OPP conducting radar enforcement clocked a 2000 Chevy on the Fourth Line in Guelph/Eramosa Township and arrested the driver.

The car was seized and the driver's licence was suspended for one week. He appears in Guelph court on September 7.