

The ROCKWOOD Miller

Hall fee waived for grads

The proud parents and friends of this year's Grade eight graduating class at Rockwood Centennial School will not have to jam themselves into the school gym for the June 26 graduation ceremony. Thanks to a rental fee waiver from Guelph/Eramosa Township Council, the graduating committee can afford to hold the event at Rockmosa Community Centre.

In approving a request to waive the \$350 fee made by grad committee member Kathy Lush at Monday's council meeting, Mayor Chris White said Grade eight graduation is "one of those days you only have once."

Film fees

Production companies wanting to film on properties and streets in Guelph/Eramosa Township must now pay a \$500 permit fee, intended to cover the Township's

cost of processing filming requests. In a report to Council, Clerk Meaghan Reid said requests from production companies for television series, documentaries and movies are on the rise – there are two or three each year – and a new policy, with the fee, will provide consistent guidelines to keep everybody happy.

The new policy lays out requirements for items including citizen notification, noise and lighting restrictions, insurance, safety, traffic, signage, parking, cleanup, police and medical assistance, conduct and community standards.

Councillor David Wolk questioned if the \$500 permit fee was too low, if they were "giving it away." Councillor Doug Breen responded saying the majority of filming takes place in the Rockwood Conservation Area.

Mayor Chris White said filming is a nascent

industry, which has paid \$80,000 in the past to the Grand River Conservation Authority to film movies including the Jonas Brothers', Camp Rock 2 and Cheaper by the Dozen in the Rockwood Conservation Area. White said currently there is a "scary" movie (The Barrons) being filmed in the Conservation Area.

Well decommissioning

Landowners in Guelph/Eramosa Township are eligible for grants up to \$4,000 to help decommission old private wells on their property as part of a program to protect municipal drinking water sources.

The Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship program will provide the grants to help property owners pay up to 80 per cent of the cost of taking an old well, a potential pathway for contaminants, out of service. For more information call Jenn at 519-621-2763, ext. 2268



BREAKFAST BONANZA: Chole Southwell was one of many hungry people who enjoyed the Country Breakfast offered at Rockwood United Church on Saturday. – Ted Tyler photo

Record-breaking hopscotch fundraiser

With a hop, skip and jump – and huge leap of faith – three Eden Mills girls helped raise \$15,000 cash, \$30,000 in in-kind donations and set a new Guinness World Record on Saturday with their Hopscotch 4 Hope.

Attending a We Day event, part of the Free the Children movement, last spring, the Rockwood Centennial School students, sisters Kory and Robin Melnick and their friend, Kamari Brown Gain, were inspired to help

provide water to an all-girls school in Kenya, they set up a charity, Step Up for Change, and came up with the hopscotch plan.

They had sponsors for 16,000 hopscotch squares on the 5.5-kilometre course – the world's longest course was 15,000 squares and 5.2-kilometres – according to Guelph/Eramosa Township Mayor Chris White who told Council on Monday that he was required by Guinness to certify the length of the course with

an affidavit.

Guelph/Eramosa Councillor Doug Breen said a handful of people, including his daughter, hopped the entire course and may also have broken a Guinness Record.

The afternoon included live music, food, dancing, a raffle and silent auction. Half of the proceeds will go the Free the Children, and the other half to Right to Play, a charity that focuses on education and sports to help kids in developing countries.



East Wellington
Family Health Team

FREE WORKSHOPS AT THE EAST WELLINGTON FAMILY HEALTH TEAM

October Calendar

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| October 3 Stop Worrying | 6:30-8:30pm Erin |
| Learn proven approaches to decrease worry as well as techniques to curb bedtime worrying | |
| October 6 Heart Healthy Eating | 4:00-5:30pm Erin |
| Control your risk of heart attack and stroke by selecting foods with healthy fats and fibre | |
| October 13 Meal Planning | 6:30-8:00pm Erin |
| Plan for healthy choices and amounts and learn how to overcome barriers to planning ahead | |
| October 18 Shake the Salt Habit | 6:30-8:00pm Rockwood |
| Easy steps to lower sodium in your diet: at home, eating out or when food shopping; learn to use the DASH diet to lower your blood pressure | |
| October 20 Living with Diabetes | 4:00-5:30pm Rockwood |
| Learn about resources to help you stay on track with your food choices, about monitoring to reach your health targets; problem-solving your everyday situations; dining out; what to do when ill, when your diabetes changes | |

Erin sessions held at the East Wellington Health Team clinic, located in the Erin Wellness Centre, at 6 Thompson Crescent.

Rockwood sessions held at the East Wellington Family Team clinic, located at 175 Alma Street

All sessions are **free** to the community but you must pre-register by calling (519) 833-7576 ext. 341 or you can register online at www.ewfht.ca and go to "Workshops"

OPP Report

Booze bust
A 22-year-old Rockwood man, caught leaving the Fergus LCBO

with a couple of liquor bottles after a break-in, was charged with Break and Enter and Theft Under

\$5,000.

OPP were alerted by an alarm at 2:45 a.m. on Saturday, and found the front glass door had been smashed by the suspects. The one suspect caught by police appears in a Guelph court on November 22.

Drunk driver

A 43-year-old Erin man was charged with having over 80-milligrams of alcohol in 100-millilitres of blood after failing a roadside breathalyser test in Erin about 10:45 a.m. on Saturday. The driver was also charged with having open liquor in the vehicle. He appears in a Guelph court on November 4.

Speeder halted

A 29-year-old Guelph man was charged with Race a Motor vehicle after being clocked at 143 km/h in an 80 km/h zone on the Fourth Line of Guelph/Eramosa Township, south of Wellington Road 124. OPP stopped a 2005 BMW on Saturday at 7:31 a.m. The driver appears in a Guelph court on November 2.

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