



AUTOMATION AID: Rockwood and District Lions Club president Fred Pelley recently presented a \$500 cheque to Sue Hawes, chair of the Eramosa Community Library Board to put towards their automation project. (Doug Harrison photo)

Municipal office break-in

Thieves broke into the Rockwood-Eramosa municipal offices on Hwy. 24 and stole a large amount of cash from the vault sometime during the night last Wednesday.

The theft was discovered by an employee who noticed the rear door had been forced and the vault was open. Police are still investigating the incident.

Study to take 3 years

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The Rockwood Miller

In three years, there will be a consensus on where the Eramosa Watershed is heading in the future and how to deal with residents' requests about its appearance.

Enter the Eramosa Watershed Study, which is expected to take three budget years, at a cost of \$495,000, to determine the ability of the watershed to withstand changes without degrading sensitive resources or water quality.

Furthermore, it will allow the benefiting municipal councils and the public to have a consensus on where the watershed is going in the future.

If the community decides how they want the watershed to look in 25 years, the people involved will know how to get it to that point, says Lorrie Minshall, manager of water resources at the Grand River Conservation Authority.

The study, set to begin in July, will look at: the watershed's current conditions with respect to the environment and the condition of the stream; problem areas and subsequent improvements; development pressure around the sediment areas; and the combined effects of these changes.

Also, the capacity of the river system and natural area will be examined as well as concerns about how the watershed will absorb these changes without degrading the system.

Minshall says a bulk of the money will be put toward field work that will take at least a year. Once ground water data has been collected, drilling will occur to get information, new stream gauges to measure water flow will be added, wetlands will have to be defined and mapped and there will be an aquatic habitat study con-

ducted to look at fishery needs.

"The watershed has some extremely valuable resources that are significant from an entire southern Ontario perspective. There are some unique geological features and rare species, such as eastern cougar and black bears, who manage to survive in the valley that you wouldn't expect to see in southern Ontario.

"It's a large area and relatively pristine."

The Ministry of Natural Resources is paying half of the study, while Erin, Eramosa, Halton Region, Milton, Guelph, Puslinch and perhaps Wellington County, will ante up 40 per cent and the GRCA the remaining 10 per cent.

Break-in at Eramosa P.S.

A Sony video camera valued at \$800 was stolen from Eramosa Public School after thieves broke in overnight on June 24.

Police are uncertain how the burglars got into the school as there were no signs of forced entry. The matter is still under investigation.

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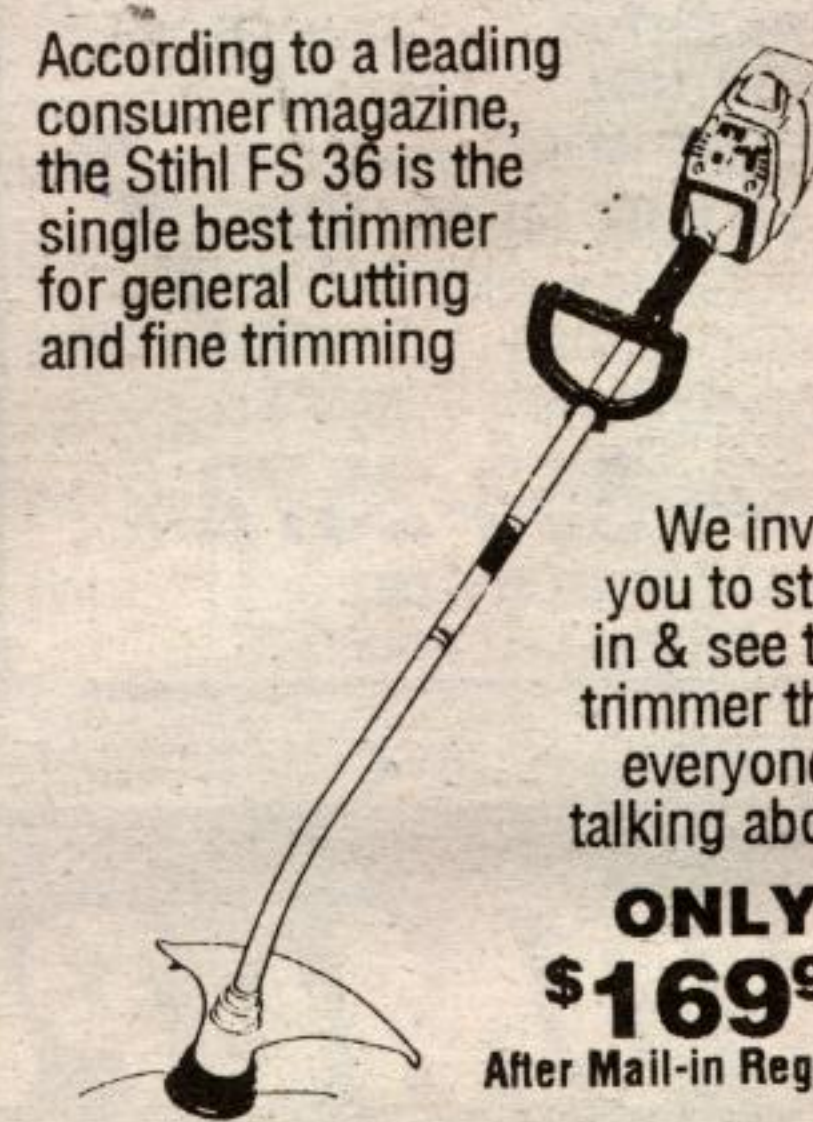
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Would you like to see a pitcher who won 95 games in one season, batted .425 the same year, and at the same time hit 110 home runs? Unbelievable? You bet it is, but true!

The pitcher is Ron Rupp from Lakewood, California, who performs on the mound as Fifi the Flirt with the world-renowned, barnstorming, California Cuties Softball Show.

Ron is in his ninth year with the Cuties, and has never hit less than 100 home runs in a season. To balance his blazing fast ball, he also possesses the best changeup in softball, which always keeps hitters guessing.

Because of his ability on the mound, the Cuties field only

three other players: comedy star Madam Hilda behind the plate, Hefty Helen at first base, and speedy Hedda Hooker at shortstop. Hedda also possesses a powerful throwing arm for those deep throws from short left field. Hedda and Hefty cover the entire infield, plus all of the outfield.

The combination softball game/comedy show will be appearing at Lloyd Dyer Park in Rockwood on Sunday, July 10. They will be opposing the local nine-man team, the Rockwood Old-Timers at 1:30 pm.

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