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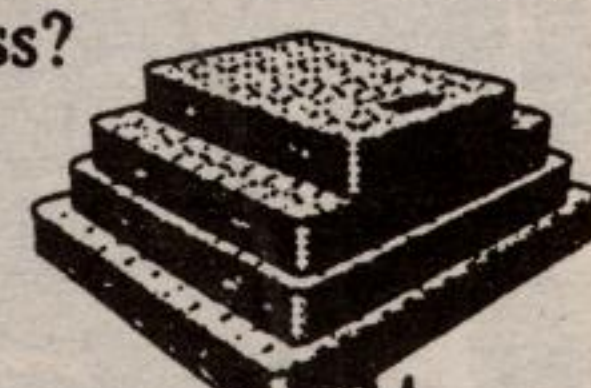
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IN BRIEF...

Correction

A story in last week's *Miller* incorrectly identified Gary Steel as the owner of a catering company.

While Gary Steel has chosen not to work with R.K. Janitorial with his mother Ruth at Rockmosa, he will continue to operate Candlelight Catering for functions at Rockmosa and in the surrounding area.

The *Miller* regrets any confusion this error may have caused.

House tour

Barrie Hill United Church on County Road 29 presents a tour of six homes on Sunday, Sept. 7 from 10 am to 4 pm.

Admission is \$10 and it is asked that no children under eight years of age attend.

A lunch will be served at Barrie Hill Church from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm at a cost of \$5 pre-paid and \$6 at the door.

For ticket information, call Sue at (519) 843-1632 or Joan at (519) 822-4964.



IDENTIFIED: Child Find volunteer Cathy Moffit takes a copy of four-year-old Alicia Anderson's fingerprints at the Eramosa Children's Connection's garage sale fundraiser last Saturday at Rockmosa, while sister Taylor, 6, waits her turn. (Eve Martin photo)

Gargantua in Conservation Area

Special to The Miller

Next Monday and Tuesday (August 5 and 6), Toronto's acrobatically inspired Theatre Gargantua will be in residence in the Rockwood Conservation Area, preparing the performance of *Raging Dreams* for September's Spirit Valley Experience.

Appropriately the staging will be inspired by and adapted for the rock formations of the Eramosa Valley.

Founded in 1992 by artistic director Jacquie Thomas, Theatre Gargantua is one of the few English-speaking Canadian ensemble companies that explores theatrical ideas over a long development process.

The company's first production, *The Templar Project*, *The Trials - Fortune's Desire*, premiered in 1994 and earned seven Dora Mavor Moore nominations. The performance of *Raging Dreams* will be a sneak preview of the full production which has been in development for two years, and will open in Toronto in November.

Theatre Gargantua had spotted Rockwood as an ideal performance area even before the idea of the Festival was conceived. The metaphor of caves as dreams is given a particular reality in the rock formations of the valley. The company promises some unexpected and breath-taking physical performances.

Theatre Gargantua will perform on the "Coyote Stage" (a stage of tales and tricksters) at the Spirit Valley Experience. This stage is in fact a large cave overlooking the Eramosa River at the eastern extremity of the Conservation Area.

Eramosa to get enhanced 911 service in 1997

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK
The Rockwood Miller

Within two years Eramosa residents will have an enhanced 911 system to use in emergencies. At a recent special meeting, Wellington County Council decided to go it alone and not wait for Guelph to decide if it will be part of the enhanced 911 system.

Once the new system is in place only the three-digit 911 will have to be dialed in an emergency. The enhanced system also includes life saving features such as a computer display of a caller's address and telephone number which will allow for quicker dispatch of emergency services, even when the caller can't speak.

The County opted to go with Bell Canada's 911 system and not wait for Guelph, which is still debating if it is cheaper to have the police or fire department take the calls.

Eramosa Reeve Rick Hughes said it will cost \$45,000 more for the County to go with the Bell system, instead of the Guelph fire or police department.

"While there could be a cost savings in going with a dispatch through the Guelph fire department, there was another immediate need to get on with it, so the County elected to go it alone,"

Hughes explained last Wednesday.

"The county felt the additional cost - about the price of a cup of coffee - was offset by the fact that if it only saved one life, it was worth it."

Hughes said the Township recently completed its rural numbering program, giving every property in the Township an address that emergency services could be dispatched to, and renamed some streets to avoid confusion.

The enhanced 911 system will cost \$90,000 a year to operate, versus \$45,000 with dispatch from the Guelph fire or police department.

That system will add 32¢ to the monthly phone bill of Wellington residents and \$1.20 per person per year to the tax bill.

"We're not happy about having to pay more but we waited as long as we thought we could," explained Wellington Planning Director Gary Cousins last Friday.

"I think that it's pretty good value when you consider what it does."

When the system is up and running, most likely in the last quarter of 1997, a call to 911 will be answered by a Bell operator in Sudbury who will route the call to police, fire or ambulance services to be dispatched.

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