Library summer reading program best ever

Special to The Miller

This summer the Eramosa Community Library held its most successful Summer Reading Program ever! The weekly activity program based on science themes ran each Tuesday morning throughout July and August.

Some of the highlights of the program were:

Deanne Rockola and Brad Dixon from the Grand River Conservation Authority came in and talked to the children about animals and their habitats. They brought in things for the children to look at as well as some great games to play. Deanne also led the children in a really fun song.

Macleod also came and helped the children make tiedyed T-shirts. The children were amazed at how they could paint on a shirt with Kool-Aid and wear it home.

The final activity session was held on August 20. On this day, music teacher Debbie Tilson helped the children make a musical instrument and then led them in a song. This was followed by a concert at Rockmosa by the Beirdo Bros. This was a special finale to our program and 165 people joined in the fun with us. The concert wrapped up with a parade led by the Beirdo Bros. themselves! Very special thanks go to the Optimist Club of

Eramosa for their support in sponsoring this event.

We would like to extend our warmest thanks to all of the volunteers who helped us each week. We could not provide such wonderful programmes for children without their generous help.

Thanks to Laurie Young who organized and ran the weekly program. She was helped by Inger Knudson, Paula Martin, Christa Parkinson, Carlie Rauwerda and Lori Rauwerda. Thanks to the guest speakers who gave so generously of their time and to the youngsters and their parents who participated and helped make this program such a success.

We also ran our Reading Incentive program again this year, entitled "Measure up with Reading" and all children aged 3-12 were encouraged to participate and receive prizes such as bookmarks, stickers, book bags, etc., according to the number of books they read. Seventy-two children signed up for this program. The following is a list of the children and their ages who completed the program and received their "Measure up with Reading" certificate:

Paul Baker, 8 Robin Baker, 10 Andrew Baklarz, 5 Joey Clark, 3 Marie Colangelo, 9 Conor Devine, 5 Chantale Girardi, 6 Troy Hill, 6 Tyler Hill, 7 Elizabeth Johnston, 3 Colleen Johnston, 6 Eric Johnston, 7 James Johnston, 8

Kira Lancaster, 10 Amanda McEnery, 8 Megan McLaren, 5 Amanda McLaren, 7 Elizabeth Nagel, 3 Stewart Quaile, 3 Sheilagh Quaile, 5 Simone Smith, 6 Laura Spiteri, 6 Katelin Spiteri, 8 Victoria Szymanski, 4 Joshua Weber, 3 Rebecca Weber, 6

Program new for 'Losers'

The Lucky Losers weight loss club begins a new 10-week session with a new program this week.

Meetings take place at the Rockwood Community Centre on Thursdays at 5:30 pm.

"As a group, we try to eat correctly and help each other lose weight in supportive surroundings," says Dot Polo.

The orientation meeting is tomorrow (Sept. 19) with the first regular meeting on Sept. 26. For more information, call Dot Polo at 856-4433, Lois Walker at 853-4523 or Grace Day at 856-4676.

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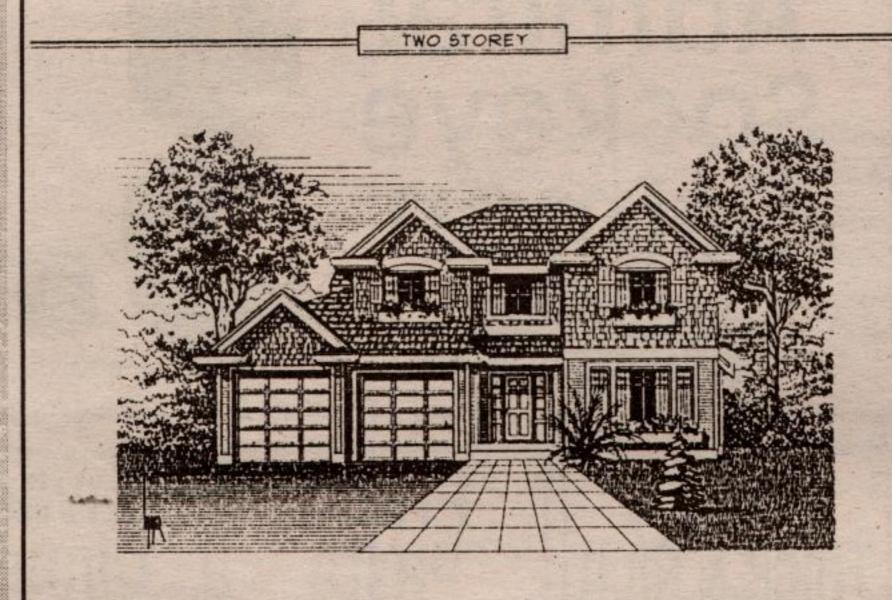
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HOLD STILL! Jessica Osbourne waits patiently while Jennifer Walton paints a design on her face during last Sunday's fun day for the Rockwood Eramosa Minor Baseball Association, held at Lloyd Dyer Park. The day included carnival games, an exhibition game between coaches and players and giving out trophies to teams and individual players. (Jennifer Flesch photo)

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