

North Halton Happenings

MAY 29TH

James Gordon and Molly Kurvink at Friar Tuck's, Emerald Inn, Carden St., Guelph. From 8:30 to 11 p.m., come see "Guelph's resident folk songwriter extraordinaire." Phone 519-836-1331.

Brooks Williams, folk artist at Arkell Schoolhouse. Soulful songwriting and dazzling guitar work performed by a resonant baritone voice. 8 p.m., tickets are \$15. Phone 519-763-7528 to reserve. 843 Watson Rd. S., Arkell.

MAY 30TH

137th Anniversary of Eden Mills Presbyterian Church and Dedication of new Organ at 10:30 a.m. (joint service). All welcome. Fellowship and lunch to follow.

Bob MacLean and Friends "Celtic Fare" from 2 to 5 p.m., at the Woolwich Arms, 176 Woolwich, Guelph. Guests Eddie Douglas, folk-singer/guitarist and Coral Andrews, poet. Call 519-821-8028 for information.

JUNE 4TH

Toronto writers **Philip Arima and Catherine Jenkins** are the featured readers at the Take A Break Poetry Readings, 158 St. Andrew St W., Fergus. Readings begin at 8 p.m.; open mike portion to encourage new writers to share work.

JUNE 5TH

Chicken Barbecue at the Nassagaweya Presbyterian Church from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. For tickets call 905-854-2375 or 519-856-9241. Advanced tickets \$10.00 or at the door \$12.00. Dinner includes 1/2 chicken, salad, roll, baked potato, beverage, and homemade pie.

JUNE 5TH

Yard Sale at St. Stephen's Anglican Church, Hornby, Steeles Ave. and 9th Line, Halton Hills from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Baked goods and refreshments available.

JUNE 6TH

Hooray for Summer! Celebrate the coming end of the school year at the Arboretum's Nature Centre at the University of Guelph and try some fun activities that you can also do at home. Pond dipping, leaf prints and exploring insect habitats. Refreshments provided, admission free. Call 519-856-2714.

JUNE 6TH

2nd Annual Fundraising Trail Ride sponsored by the Big Sisters of North Halton at The Ranch, Burnhamthorpe Rd. east of Hwy. 25. Registration at 10:00 a.m. Ride from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Barbecue Lunch at 1:00 p.m., additional ride from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Cost \$30.00 or \$50.00 in pledges. For more information, pledge forms and registration forms, please call Rhonda at 905-854-0818. Horses for Hire, call Dave at 905-854-2656. All proceeds towards funding Little Sisters programs.

JUNE 6TH

Rockwood Cemetery Memorial Service at 2:00 p.m., 501 Main St. South, Rockwood. Everyone welcome.

JUNE 11TH

Information Milton BBQ at the Train Station, 11:30 to 1:30. 1 Chris Hadfield Way; call Kaye at 905-875-4636 for info.

JUNE 12TH

Annual Pioneer Day Parade and Fair on Hwy. 7, Rockwood. Duck races, parade at noon, demonstrations, booths, food vendors, ball game, outdoor evening dance. Come for the whole day! **The Cat's Meow** presented by The Over Tones Inc., a cabaret at Rockmosa Hall, Rockwood. Cocktails at 7 p.m., show at 8 p.m. Come enjoy barbershop singing and guest quartet Bob's Yer Uncle. \$20 per person; cash bar, refreshments, door prizes. Call Darlene 519-748-6597 or Jean 519-856-4313.

JUNE 13TH

22nd Ebenezer Cemetery Remembrance Service at Ebenezer United Church, Guelph Line, 3 p.m. Guest speaker Rev. Glen Soderholm; fellowship and refreshments to follow. All welcome!

Songs on the Water Outdoor Benefit Concert with Father Mark Curtis, 3 p.m. (rain date June 27) at Robert's Park, Sladek residence, Dublin Line (1 km. N. of Hwy 7 in Acton). Minimum donation \$10 per car. Bring a lawn chair! All proceeds benefit Rose Cherry's Home. Call (905) 876-3379 for information.

JUNE 19TH

3rd Annual Arkell Solstice Piano Festival with Heather Toews on piano. Featuring women composers such as Clara Schumann and Fanny Mendelssohn. 8 p.m. at 843 Watson Rd., Arkell. Tickets are \$20. Call (519) 763-7528.

JUNE 23RD

Sketching Nature at the Arboretum, with Naturalist Chris Earley, 7 p.m. \$12 fee includes sketch book and pencils. Focus on techniques and note taking. Registration and payment by June 16th. Call (519) 824-4120, ext. 4110.

JUNE 24TH

OPP Community Information Day at The Rockmosa Community Centre, Rockwood, 3:30 to 8:30 p.m. Kids awareness, public information groups and more. Local firefighters perform extrication at 7:30 p.m. Refreshments available.

What Really Matters

in
Guelph/Eramosa Township

with

Councillor Alan McDonald



I would like to share a little story with you. It does not have anything to do with council but I am going to share it anyway.

My wife was working her afternoon shift. The cold wind had the odd rain droplet that seemed to find its way into your ear. It was early April.

The kids and I decided to go to Stone Road Mall for a walk about. We were there simply to kill the time between supper and bedtime. Of course the approach of my birthday did influence my motives.

We parked close to the entrance at Pizza Pizza. Before exiting the van I gave the routine command, "Remember, we're in a parking lot. No running and stay close to me." My two daughters, one eight years and one five years (almost) piled out the passenger side door of the van because it is not "child-proof locked." My son who is three had to wait for my arrival at the side of the van.

I slid the door open and he was standing there waiting. Soon he will pile out with the girls I'm sure. Anyway, I lifted him and placed him next to me on the ground. I locked and then closed the side door of my family van. We stood in a group ready for action.

My first step toward the mall triggered the following reaction from my son, "Uppies, Uppies."

I rolled my eyes and said, "You're three years old now. Come on. You're going to be 16 years old and you will still be saying uppies, uppies."

Your comments and suggestions are appreciated. Please contact Alan McDonald at 519-856-1167 or at 125 Princess Street, P.O. Box 268, Rockwood, ON, N0B 2K0.

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You, Your Police and Your Community Rockwood C.O.P. Committee awareness day

BY DEBORAH QUAILLE
THE COMPASS

Thursday, June 24 is "You, Your Police and Your Community," an awareness day at the Rockmosa Community Centre.

Sponsored by the Rockwood C.O.P. Committee (Community Oriented Policing), the day is an initiative of the Ontario Provincial Police to let residents know the changing needs for peace and order in our community. It also helps community members to become aware of the changing role of the police.

"In recent years policing forces have become aware that former stereotypes no longer apply. We see that the police want to learn more about community needs to help them serve us better," states Stan Kosier for the Community Policing Group. "We are putting

forth a positive image to young people, and working on how best to prevent undesirable situations from occurring."

Eight Rockwood residents and our OPP liaison, Constable Heather Nellis, are coordinating community groups such as the Optimists, the Lions, Child Find, EWAG, the Eramosa Junior Farmers, MADD, and our local parishes. The OPP will have demonstrations by Crime Stoppers, the RIDE Unit, the Canine Unit, their Mounted Unit, ERT and TRU Teams, the Auxiliary and much more. Watch our local firefighters perform an exciting extrication at 7:30 p.m. The day's events run from 3:30 to 8:30 p.m. Refreshments are available, so come out and join the fun!

Pioneer Day rolls into Rockwood

BY DEBORAH QUAILLE
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Even though Township Council did not offer any funding this year for Rockwood's beloved Pioneer Day, hard-working residents won't let that dampen their spirits as they launch themselves into preparations for the June 12th community event.

Since its inception 21 years ago, Pioneer Day has been a favourite with young and old. Marla Reid, who has been coordinating the event for years, is working with numerous groups and individuals to make this the best celebration ever.

The weekend begins with **Music in Waterside Park at 8 p.m. Friday, June 11th.** What could be more relaxing than an evening by the river as the sun sets and music fills the air? On Saturday, participants are up early to start the **Rubber Ducky Race at Waterside Park (Hwy. 7 downtown) at 10 a.m.**, with great new prizes generously donated by local people.

Here's a list of the rest of the day's events:

11:30 a.m.: Parade forms at Rockmosa

12:15 p.m.: Parade arrives at Lloyd Dyer Park

1 p.m.: Dance Spirit Studio

2-4 p.m.: Optimists Bike Rodeo


2-4 p.m.: Ba'hai Kids' Races

All Afternoon: Demonstrations, Crafts, Food Vendors, Penny Table, Fish Pond, Garage Sale, etc.

4 p.m.: Baseball game *California Cuties vs. Rockwood No-Stars*

8 p.m.-1 a.m.: Outdoor Dance

Make sure you plan for a weekend of fun at Pioneer Day!



**Saturday,
June 12**

Don't miss out
... bring the
whole family!

**Hwy. #7,
Rockwood**

- Rubber duck races on the river
- Parade at noon
- Activities all day long in Lloyd Dyer Park
- Afternoon Ball Game: "California Cuties" vs. Rockwood No-Stars
- D.J. "Rockin' Tom" hosts the evening's outdoor dance at Lloyd Dyer Park





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