

The Rockwood MILLER



Two teens hailed as heroes in near drowning at Rockwood

By FRANCES NIBLOCK
The Rockwood Miller

Two teenage summer camp councillors are being hailed as heroes by police after saving a 32-year-old woman and her young son from drowning at Rockwood Conservation Area on Saturday afternoon.

Brennan Goman, 19, of Fergus and Kirsten Emrich of Waterloo - head lifeguard at Camp Edgewood in Eden Mills - rescued Phan Vi Du after she floundered while trying to bring her children closer to shore in the popular unsupervised swimming area.

OPP spokesman Daryl Campbell said Du was unconscious and had been under the water for three minutes before Goman found her on the murky bottom and

brought her to shore. She came to and was taken to Guelph General Hospital, treated and released.

Emrich saved the drowning boy, believed to be about eight-year-old, who wouldn't leave his mother. An unidentified woman brought Du's

daughter, believed to be 10-years-old, safely to shore. The husband and father watched the rescue efforts from the beach.

Police said Emrich and Goman don't think they're heroes - but they are.

New wells sought for Rockwood

By Maggie Petrushevsky
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Although no problems have showed up to date in Rockwood's water supply after the train derailment in July, Township officials are setting preventative measures in place for the future problems. An engineer's report to

Guelph/Eramosa Township council shows none of the diesel fuel that leaked during the derailment has migrated into the town's well water. But no one is taking any chances. The monitoring, paid for by Canadian National Railways, will continue.

Meanwhile, council has asked their consulting engineers, Burnside Associates, to look into locating a new well field for the village.

Right now Rockwood draws all its water from a well on Station Street. That supply appears to still be safe, but council wants a new well located at a completely different site for the future.

"We have our water now," says Guelph/Eramosa Mayor David Adsett, "but the village is growing. Besides the need for an increased water supply for the future, it would be good to have that supply from a totally different area so future problems - such as the derailment - wouldn't catch us without an alternative water source."

No one expects a well to be drilled soon, but they can at least find the site for it in preparation for the time when it is needed.



DEALS GALORE: Andrea Hitchcock (centre back) and daughter Andrea (centre front) invited some out-of-town friends to check out the good deals at the Rockwood Rockets Soccer Club's first annual garage sale at Rockmosa on Saturday. - Frances Niblock photo

EWAG NEWS

EWAG (EAST Wellington Advisory Group) Community Services is enjoying a busy summer this year starting with out new summer hours. Until September 1 we will be open on Mondays. We'll also be open an hour later on week-days.

The gala Opening of our

Internet Community Access Point was held on June 28. Guelph-Wellington MP Brenda Chamberlain and Mayor David Adsett were in attendance with volunteer members of the EWAG staff and community residents. The Internet CAP site is a walk-in service which is available to the public during our regular business hours. If you want to update your resume, search the web for information, or even if you're just curious, please come in and use our free Internet access.

At the Happy Returns thrift shop our 2 for 1 Sale will be happening throughout the month of August. Get two items of the same value for the price of one.

On August 25 the Seniors' Day Program will be going on a rescheduled outing to the Rockwood Electric Railway Museum. The bus for this trip

will leave Squires Lodge at 11:15 a.m. The \$9 cost includes a refreshment. The trip to the fruit and vegetable market has been rescheduled to some time in September.

To reserve your spot for an upcoming Seniors' Day Program outing, call Lynn Gibson at EWAG.

EWAG provides many services such as a Job Bank Kiosk, Community Bulletin Board, Emergency Food Bank and activities for children and seniors. We also carry tourist information and a directory of area Bed and Breakfasts.

The EWAG offices and Happy Returns thrift shop are located at 126 Main Street South in Rockwood. The phone number is 856-2113. The new office/store hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. The Food Bank operates on Wednesdays by appointment.



MULTI-TALENTED PREZ: Rockwood Rockets Soccer club coach Tony Bauer juggle balls and good deals during the club's first annual garage sale at Rockmosa on Saturday.



SURPRISE BUNNIES: When Ruth and Gareth Medemblik of Guelph attended the first annual Rockwood Rockets Soccer Club garage sale at Rockmosa on Sunday they'd had no idea they'd be going home with two pet rabbits. - Frances Niblock photo

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