



HANG IT UP: Royal Bank staffers held a fundraising garage sale for EWAG last week at Rockwood's Rockmosa Community Centre. Bank volunteers posing with a kid's clothes hanger that was on sale are from the left: Pat McLean, Renee Nelson and Jill House. - Maggie Petrushevsky photo

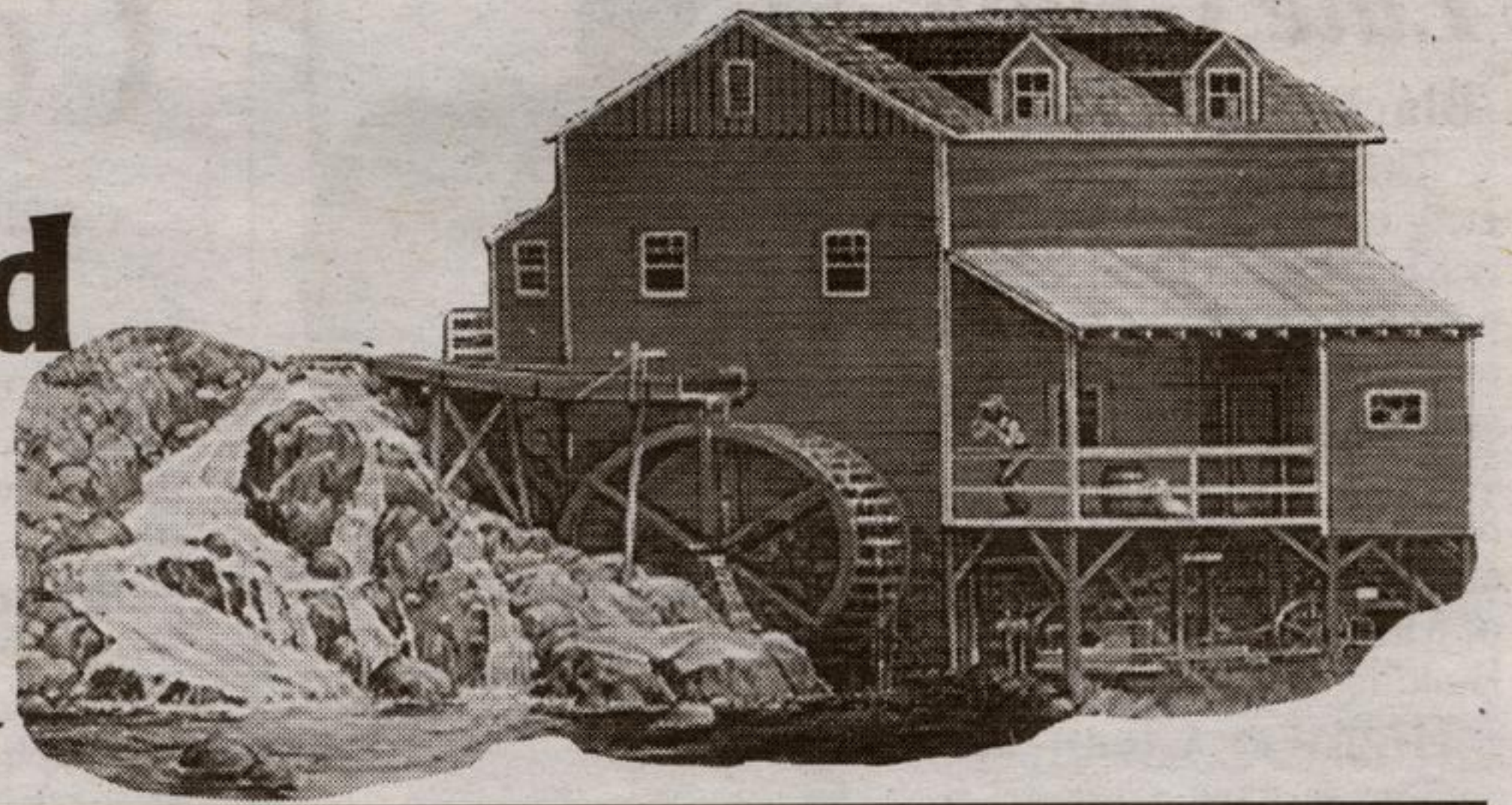


DREAMCATCHER: Juliee-Anne McLean and Brenna Smith had to have a closer look at the huge dreamcatcher up for sale at the EWAG garage sale Saturday at Rockmosa. - Maggie Petrushevsky photo



WANNA PLAY?: Alex Boyd, 9, and Jennifer McClintock, 9, of Rockwood checked out the paddles that went with a table tennis set they found at the EWAG garage sale Saturday. The fundraising sale was organized by Royal Bank staff volunteers. - Maggie Petrushevsky photo

The Rockwood MULLER



Take me out to the ballgame

BATTER UP: Jack Driscoll, coach of the Rockwood Rebels PeeWee Girls' Baseball Team, prepares to give his girls some practice catching fly balls. Team members are from the left: Melissa Matlasherski, Amanda Driscoll, Krystal Kurz, Erin Mann, Michele Milson and Alex Mothersole. The team's assistant coaches are Jeff Mann and Rick Matlasherski. Rockwood home games are held Wednesdays. - Maggie Petrushevsky photo

Two Wellington OPP officers honoured for Elora rescue

Two Wellington Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) officers were honoured for lifesaving and bravery at the annual awards dinner for Western Region Headquarters of the OPP, on Tuesday, April 23.

Provincial Constable Belinda Rose was presented with the Commissioner's Citation for Bravery and Constable Joseph Evans received the Commissioner's Citation for Lifesaving. Both awards were the result of their actions on April 11, 2001, when a 59-year old man attempted to take his life from a look-

out at the gorge in Elora, over 20 metres above the intersecting Grand and Irvine Rivers.

Constable Rose was the first officer to arrive at the scene. She found the male with a rope around his neck and a bottle of alcohol on the ground beside him. He told her not to come near him. He then turned around and jumped headfirst over a stonewall that was approximately one metre high.

Constable Rose ran and caught the male around the feet and ankles. She grabbed him and pulled him back

while jamming her foot behind a chunk of ice, which was still in the corner of the lookout, using it for leverage.

Although the man was much larger, she held on and called on her radio for assistance using her chin to key the microphone. She struggled with the male who actively resisted her attempts to rescue him. At one point, when he heaved himself away from her, Constable Rose lost her footing, and headed over the wall with him.

Constable Evans was en route to the scene when he

heard Constable Rose's distress calls. Upon his arrival on the scene, he grabbed Constable Rose and the man from the wall and pulled them both onto solid ground. The two officers then untied the rope from the male's neck and escorted him to nearby Paramedics who examined him before transporting him to hospital.

Constable Rose was honoured for her courageous actions and Constable Evans was honoured for his timely assistance, which saved the lives of both Constable Rose and the suicidal male.

EWAG NEWS

PLANTS, PLANTS, PLANTS!!! EWAG's 2nd Annual Perennial Plant Sale is coming up on Saturday, May 11 from 9:00 to 12:00 noon. If you have plants to donate, please drop them off at Betty and Ray Deaths at 310 Main St., S., or they may also be dropped off at the EWAG office. If you need pots or someone to help dig, give us a call (856-2113). Please support us by either donating a few plants or coming to buy. Great selection at great prices.

I would like to extend many words of appreciation to the staff at the Rockwood

branch of the Royal Bank. They worked very hard on Saturday, April 27 at their garage sale, with proceeds going to our organization. We are fortunate to have such a wonderful staff at the Rockwood branch. They support many of our local organizations and we thank them for their generosity!!

The Rockwood Lions club is having a Spring Carnival June 14, 15, and 16. If you are interested in renting a 'garage sale' table on Sun-

day afternoon, June 16, please call Lynn at the EWAG office before May 10. Tables will be available for \$15.00 each.

EWAG is accepting INKJET Cartridges as part of the ThinkFood Program. Cartridges can be turned in and re-used. The proceeds from this program will go toward our food bank. Please throw your inkjets our way. Thank you.

If you are of the 'older generation' and would like

to know more about computers or the Internet, give us a call at the EWAG office. We have two young fellows who are more than willing to teach you all they know! Food Bank is available on Wednesdays by appointment only from 1:00-4:00pm.

We are located at 126 Main St., S. Rockwood. Our phone number is 856-2113.

Our regular office hours are from Tuesday to Friday from 10:00-4:00pm. Due to a lack of volunteers, we are currently closed on Saturdays but hope to re-open in the future. We apologize for any inconvenience.