



THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF READING: Pick up gently used books at a bargain at the Rockwood Branch of the Wellington County Library. The second hand book sale is on until Saturday during library hours. Graham Iutzi Hewman, a grade four student at Edward Johnson School, is shown browsing for some good books. - Rebecca Ring Photo

Ring Around ROCKWOOD

with Rebecca Ring



Tree lighting

The Rockwood Eramosa Business Association invites everyone to kick off the season with its third annual Christmas tree lighting at Lions Waterside Park on Main St. S. in Rockwood. The festivities begin at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 8. There will be a children's choir, caroling, hot chocolate and rumour has it that a certain jolly old elf may make an early appearance. Donations of non-perishable food items will be accepted for EWAG.

Firefighters food drive

The Rockwood Eramosa Firefighters Association is holding its annual food drive for EWAG. Drop off non-perishable food items to the fire hall on Main ST. N. (County Rd. 27) in Rockwood on Monday evenings from 7-9 p.m. They will also accept donations during the Parade of Lights on Dec. 13.

Christmas Bazaars

Guelph/Eramosa is the place to find unique gifts and goodies this Saturday, Nov. 24. The Rockwood and District Lioness are holding their Christmas Bazaar at Rockmosa Community Centre from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Enjoy Christmas in the Village at St. John's Anglican Church with their sale from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Eden Mills is holding its Community Bazaar at the Eden Mills Community Hall from 1-3 p.m.

Parade of Lights

On Dec. 13, at 7 p.m., Rockwood will be the site of the highly anticipated 15th Annual Rockwood's Farmer's Santa Claus Parade

of Lights. Visitors from far and near enjoy this unique nighttime Christmas parade, which features antique and modern farming equipment decked out in lights and other holiday glitter. The parade travels south on Main ST. N. and west onto Hwy. 7 to Fourth Line. Watch for special events around the village on the big night. Visit www.rkde.com/rockwoodparade for route details.

Old candy factory

What was once a candy factory in Rockwood on Main St. S. is being renovated into luxury apartments on the upper floors and a commercial space on the main floor. The 12 apartments are expected to be ready for tenancy by spring.

Letters to Santa and more

Mail a letter to Santa from the Rockwood Branch of the Wellington County Library, December 1-17. All ages are invited to drop off their letters in Santa's Mailbox for delivery to the North Pole. Include a return address to get a response. Everyone is invited to the library's Holiday Open House, Thursday, Dec. 6, 5:30-7 p.m. for crafts, stories, a special snack and visit from Santa. Bring a camera for photos.

Children ages three to five are invited to a Christmas Countdown, Thursday, Dec. 13, 10:30-11:15 a.m., for holiday songs, stories and crafts. All ages are invited to bring dinner and enjoy the movie *Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End* on Friday, Dec. 14, at 6 p.m. Pick up free tickets at the circulation desk.

The Rockwood MILLER



To the editor,

I should like to use your newspaper space to express my opinion regarding the changes, which have occurred at the Rockwood Cenotaph.

Our Cenotaph is located in a small park area adjacent to property of the St. John's Anglican Church. It is also next to the intersection of a main highway and a busy street.

Because of the traffic the deep significance of the memorial can easily be missed.

Recently, I have been delighted to see the improvements, which have been made to this special spot.

As a veteran of WWII myself, I attach a special importance to the place that reminds me of the valiant

hearts who have given their lives for our country.

In previous years a perfunctory homage was paid by the public for the soldiers supreme sacrifice, as not noticed during the rest of the year. Only those who had a personal connection to the memorial even glanced at the Cenotaph!

Since the huge media attention given to the Vimy memorial ceremony this spring, Canadians have been reminded of the multitude of lives that were sacrificed for us all and been affected by that reminder. I discovered the councillors of Guelph-Eramosa were also inspired to design a method, which would draw attention to our memorial all during the year.

The Cenotaph is attached by the Canadian flags bearing a red maple leaf, but the veterans of the past fought under other Canadian flags. These flags were largely forgotten by today's public, but were of supreme importance to the former soldiers!

The Council decided to place these flags, which the veterans of previous wars would recognize as their own, near the memorial which also remembers them.

I discovered it was no swift and easy decision to place these symbols of respect at the Cenotaph. There were many groups from whom to gather information, advice and permission before this change could be made.

All veterans can be proud of their efforts as they considered every possible way to be respectful and militarily correct before they made

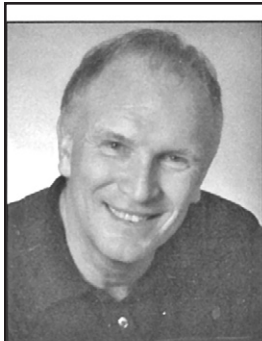
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Two arrested for theft

Two young men from Guelph-Eramosa Township and Guelph, respectively, have been charged with Theft Under \$5,000 following a complaint from a business on Alma St. in Rockwood on Saturday, Nov. 17 at 11:55 p.m.

Wellington OPP said their investigation revealed the two men entered the premises and stole a cash register key. Both were identified and surrendered to police.

George Alexander Jackson, 19, of the township of faces a charge of failing to comply with bail conditions as well as the theft charges. He was held in custody until a bail hearing Nov. 18. Matthew Charles Whiteside, 19, of Guelph is scheduled to appear in Guelph court on Jan. 7 to answer to the theft charge.



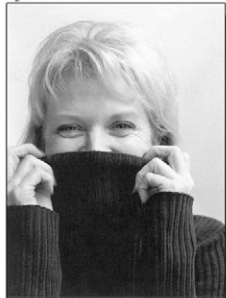
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Beware of deals over phone

Business owners should be wary of transactions over the phone, especially if the buyer wishes something extraordinary such as splitting the purchase up between credit cards, or shipping to a different country, Wellington OPP advise, following an attempted fraud on a local farm implement dealer.

The dealer was alert enough to spot the fraud and alerted police to the attempt.

Officers found that the dealer received a phone call request-

ing to purchase a lawn tractor. The caller stated that he was from California and wished to split the bill between two credit cards for the purchase, and even wished the item to be

shipped to Ghana. This sent up warning flags for the seller and upon checking with the credit card companies, found that the owner of the card was from another state.

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