



ALL ASHORE: Dad Jeff, mum Lisa and son Stephen White, from Hamilton visited the Rockwood Conservation Area last weekend for some family time. The threesome enjoyed the tranquility of camping and boating in September. The park remains open through Sunday, October 17. – *Denise Paulsen photo*

Festive spirit

Along with usual logistical help – handling road closures, insurance needs and communications – Guelph/Eramosa Township Council will give \$4,025 to organizers of this year's Parade of Lights. The Parade is staged by the non-profit Rockwood Farming Community Committee and involves stringing Christmas lights all over farming implements and driving them through the village.

"It's a really important event in our community – the kids love it," Guelph/Eramosa Mayor Chris White said on Friday, adding the Township also supports a Rotary tree planting program and waived rental fees at Rockmosa for a breast cancer fundraiser.

For the Festival of Lights on December 9, some of the items the Township

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will handle include getting approval to close Highway 7 and County Road 27, adding the County and Ministry of Transportation to the Township's insurance to cover the event, chairing a traffic control planning meeting, arranging for and installing road closure signs, detour signs, and traffic barricades.

The Township's \$4,025 in-kind donation includes 91.5 employee hours for \$2,406 and equipment for 66.5 hours with a value of \$1,619.

New policy?

Another request by a non-profit group to use Township roads for a charity bicycle ride prompted Guelph/Eramosa Township councillors to decide it may be time for a formal policy.

"We had some push back from parishioners at several churches where it took them half-an-hour to get out of the church parking lot because a bike tour was going by," said Guelph/Eramosa Mayor Chris White, adding they need to develop a policy to deal with the interference.

The issue arose with a request from International Teams Canada for permission to use several Township roads for a charity bike event on October 2. The ride begins and ends at Lakeside Church on Conservation Road in Guelph, and depending on the length of ride chosen, uses several Township roads including Jones Base Line and Wellington Road 38.

Township Council gave permission to use its roads for the Ride for Refuge Bike Tour, which will raise money for the "displaced, vulnerable and exploited."

Hoops house league

Calling all eight to 13-year-old Rockwood/Eramosa basketball players who want to develop their skills with weekly co-ed house league play. For the fourth season, All-Starz Basketball, in conjunction with Ontario Basketball, will run its program on Thursdays, from 6:30 to 8:p.m., at Rockwood Centennial School, from October to March.

Registration takes place tonight (Thursday) at the school from 7 to 8 p.m., and again October 7 from 7 to 8 p.m. For details call 519-856-4491 or visit www.allstarzbasketball.com

Stolen truck found

GPS technology led OPP to a stolen tractor trailer in the Trafalgar Road/ Wellington Road 124 area near Brisbane at 5:47 on Monday morning.

The thief who stole the 2005 International Tractor and flatbed – loaded with four Kubota lawn tractors – abandoned it in the west ditch, and took off on foot, eluding Wellington OPP.

There was no damage to the truck or load which were picked up later that day by their owner from Hunstville.

Anyone with information about the theft can call Constable Stephen Thomas at the Rockwood OPP office 519-856-1506.

Basketball 'ROCKS' IN ROCKWOOD

All-Starz THURSDAY NIGHT Basketball
Rockwood Centennial School
8-13 year olds (co-ed) 6:30-8:00pm
Register: Thurs. Sept. 30 or Oct 7 at the school from 7:00 - 8:00pm
For more information visit:
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or call 519-856-4491



Warren family files civil suit in daughter's death

The family of Isabel Warren, the 14-year-old Rockwood girl who died when a washroom wall crumbled on her in June of 2009, has filed a \$2.8-million lawsuit naming the City of Guelph, two architects and a construction company.

Warren died when a cinder block wall at the South End Community Park collapsed on her during a break in a phys-ed class with her Grade nine class from Bishop Macdonell High School. The statement of claim filed with the Ontario Court of Justice names the City of Guelph, Guelph engineer Larry

Argue and his firm R.J. Burnside and Associates Limited, Guelph architect Lloyd Grinham and his firm L. Alan Grinham Architect and Harrington Construction Ltd.

In a statement of claim, Warren's family claim damages over a "profound and permanent loss of companionship, care and guidance as a result of the death" of Isabel.

None of the claims have been proven in court. In addition to the Warren family's civil suit, the Ministry of Labour charged the City, engineer and architect who will be in court on October 18 for a hearing.



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Yoga in Rockwood

Starting week of October 4th

Monday - 6:45 to 8:00pm
Intermediate with Caroline

Tuesday - 9:30 to 10:45am
Beginner/Intermediate with Caroline

Wednesday - 7:00 to 8:30pm
Beginner/Intermediate with Lorri

Thursday - 9:30 to 11:00am
Gentle with Lorri

10 Week Session \$135

Ask us about our other offerings: kids, teens, restorative yoga and yoga dance.

Please contact us for more information:

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