

Rockwood enjoys Festival of Lights



NO MISTLETOE NEEDED: The 18th Rockwood Festival of Lights put Don and Shirley Davis into an affectionate mood last Thursday.

Photos by Angela and Ted Tyler

White elected County Warden

Wellington County has a new warden – Guelph/Eramosa Township Mayor Chris White was elected for a two-year term last Friday during a secret ballot at County Council.

This was the fourth election win for White in five months and follows his successful bids for election as chair of AMO (the Association of Municipalities of Ontario), chair of ROMA – the AMO rural caucus, and a repeat landslide win in the October 25 municipal election.

“Elections are like baseball games – you never know the score until the final out, but I felt pretty good about it, it seemed to be going fairly well – I was fairly confident,” White said on Monday, adding he always runs an election like he is losing. His challenger for the Warden’s seat was County Councillor Gord Tosh, a former Eramosa councillor.

White said once he “gets his head around” all that the job entails – the meetings and committees – he

would like to work on the County’s relationship with Guelph, on a County-wide economic development plan and try to have the County meet more frequently, possibly with regular mayors’ breakfasts.

There are eight new faces at the County Council table – including five new mayors in the seven Townships that make up County Council.

“We have a lot of forward thinking people (on council) with a lot of experience. At first, it’s a

shock to have such a turnover, but we don’t just want to manage the County, we want to be a leader,” White said, adding Wellington is surrounded by strong Regions that both work with, and compete against, Wellington.

White said the important thing for him will be to not take his eye off the ball at the Township level, while being effective at the County level during his 24-month term.

As Warden’s salary is \$79,226, annually.



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- Tickets are now available for EWCS’s Valentine’s Day Dance taking place in Rockwood on Saturday, February 12. Tickets are \$75 and include a prime

rib dinner from David’s Restaurant, as well as live music from the Itchy & Scratchy band. Tickets for entry after dinner to enjoy the dance are also available for just \$35.

- Bottles Feeds Families. Many of us will host parties over this holiday season. When the festivities are over, remember that you can donate your empties to EWCS in Erin. Drop off those champagne, beer, wine and liquor bottles to 45 Main Street. Our office is generally open M-F 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., but will be

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