

# Fundraising continues for Deborah's Home

By KAREN SMITH

A reception which launched the fundraising campaign for Deborah's Home at Hugh Foster Hall last week raised \$803 for the cause.

More than 100 people attended the reception which was aimed at increasing awareness of the project and raising funds through sales of memberships and raffle tickets.

A group of local volunteers are banding together to open a Milton residential home for disabled young adults in Halton.

Joyce Scott, who is responsible for getting the project off the ground, said she is "more than 200 per cent pleased" with the turnout at the reception. "It was received well by the public."

Milton Mayor Gord Krantz, Halton North MPP Noel Duignan as well as several other government representatives attended the reception to help launch the campaign.

Also on hand were the Milton OPP and the founder of Jason's Home, a similar facility serving as a model to Deborah's Home.

Many people purchased \$25 memberships for the organization, while others spent their money on \$10 raffle tickets for a chance at winning a limited edition print donated by local artist Karl Barnhart, who was also in attendance.

## DEBORAH'S HOME

Scott said Halton is barren of residences and treatment centres for the disabled and facilities outside the region have long waiting lists.

Another option for parents who can no longer look after their adult disabled children is institutional care, but Scott believes they deserve a more dignified, home-like environment.

The home is being named after her 21-year-old daughter Deborah, who has cerebral palsy and currently lives in the chronic care wing of Milton District Hospital. Volunteers hope to have the facility ready for occupancy by the summer of 1993.

Tickets for the raffle will also be sold at the Milton Fall Fair.

### Optimrs bake sale

Optimrs Craft and Bake Sale will be held at the Optimist Hall, Hwy 7 on October 5 and 6, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Penny sale, free coffee and free admission.



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CMHA's annual Christmas card fundraiser this year will fea-


ture the artwork of a local child. One of the services of the local branch, Living Color, is a school mental health program designed to increase self esteem and interpersonal abilities in young children. The design for this year's card will be chosen from a class at Kings Road Public School in Burlington.

CMHA suggests that these cards would be an appropriate

way for Halton businesses to send season's greetings, while supporting the work of CMHA.


Cards are available in volume discounts and imprinting of a company's name is also available for orders placed before Sept. 27.

For more information, or to order cards, call Margaret Howard at CMHA at 845-5044 in Oakville or 519-853-4477 in Acton.

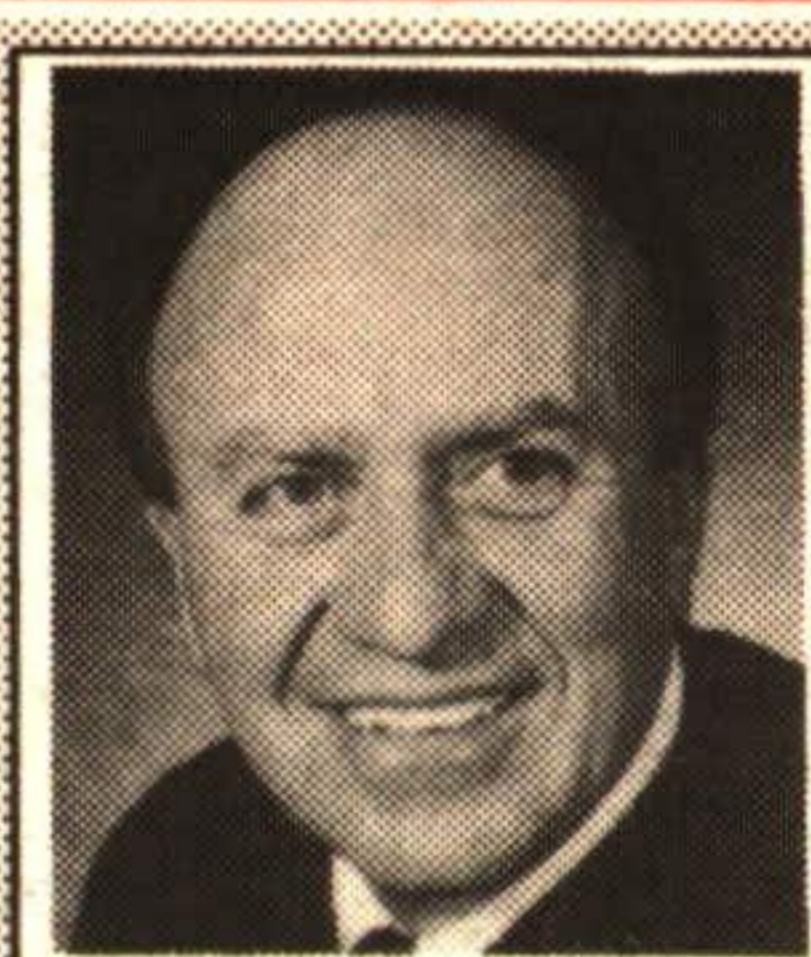


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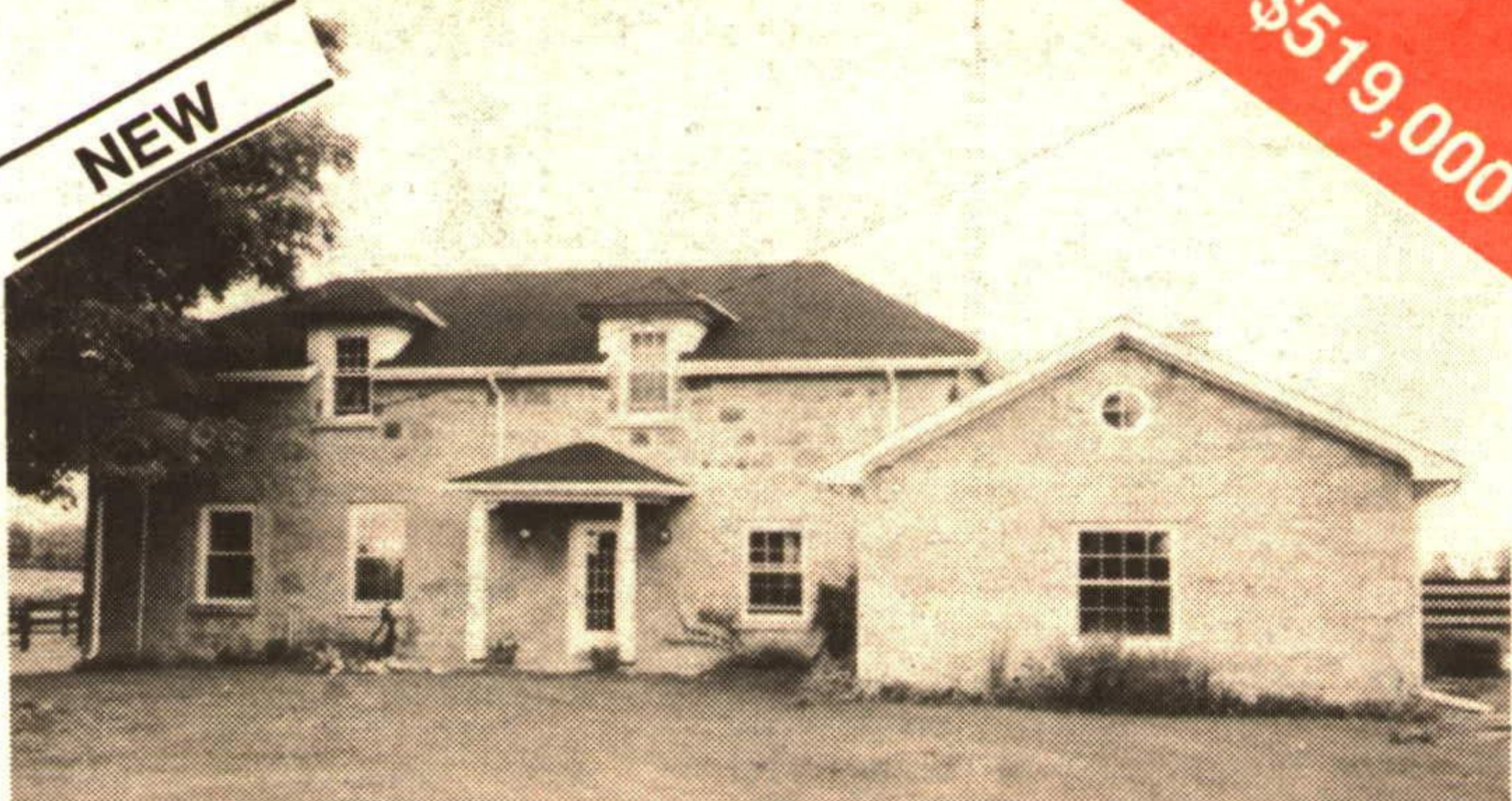


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