

# Taking advantage of a stinky situation

By DONNA DANIELLI

The answer to reducing greenhouse emissions may not be the most pleasant one, in fact it stinks - but in a good way.

A recent study determined that methane gas can be economically recovered from landfill sites and reduce greenhouse emissions by approximately 118,000 tonnes per year.

Of the \$158,000 recently awarded to Halton Region from the Green Municipal Funds for Initiatives, a contribution of \$64,500 was made to study Halton's landfill site as an appropriate venue for collecting methane gases.

"Through these studies, Halton Region will be able to identify new and innovative opportunities to cut pollution and reduce greenhouse gas emissions and ensure a safe water supply," explained Member of Parliament Julian Reed.

Landfill gas is a by-product of the biological decomposition of organic matter in waste. Typically, 40 to 60 per cent of landfill gas is methane. Collected landfill gas has the potential to be used as an industrial fuel for nearby off-site industries, or as a fuel source to operate generators for the production of electricity.

The Halton study conducted two landfill gas pump tests - one at the Halton Waste Management Site in Milton and one at the closed Burlington landfill site on North Service Road - to determine the available gas reserves and the poten-


tial collection rate at each site.

The 118,000 tonnes of greenhouse emissions the study showed could be reduced by collecting the methane gas is the equivalent of eliminating the output of 2,000 average cars and 4,000 fuel efficient cars each year.

"We are living proof that municipalities can take a leading role in creating green, clean communities," said Halton Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline.

"It is amazing what we can accomplish when different levels of government, and the public and private sectors work together."

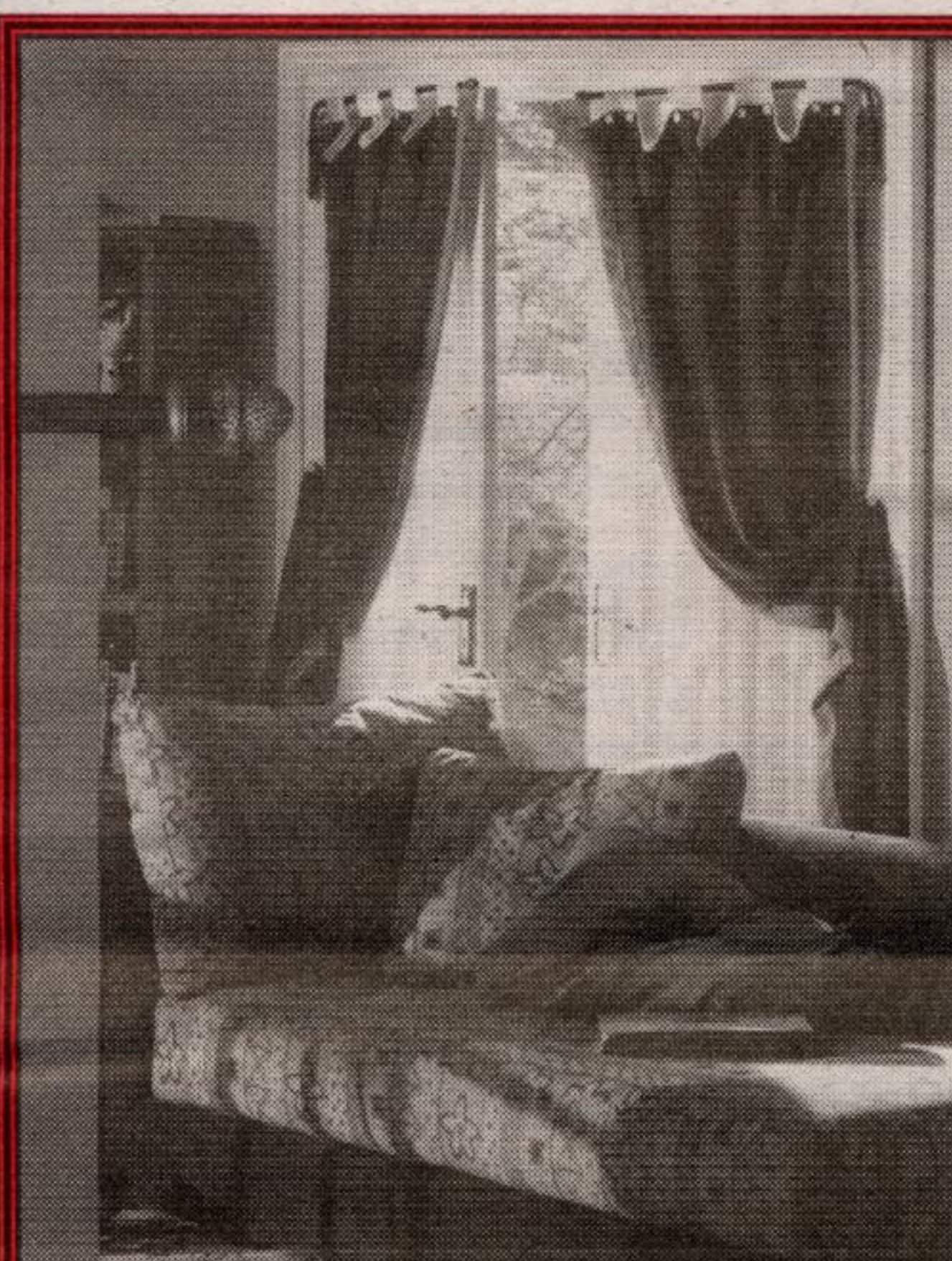
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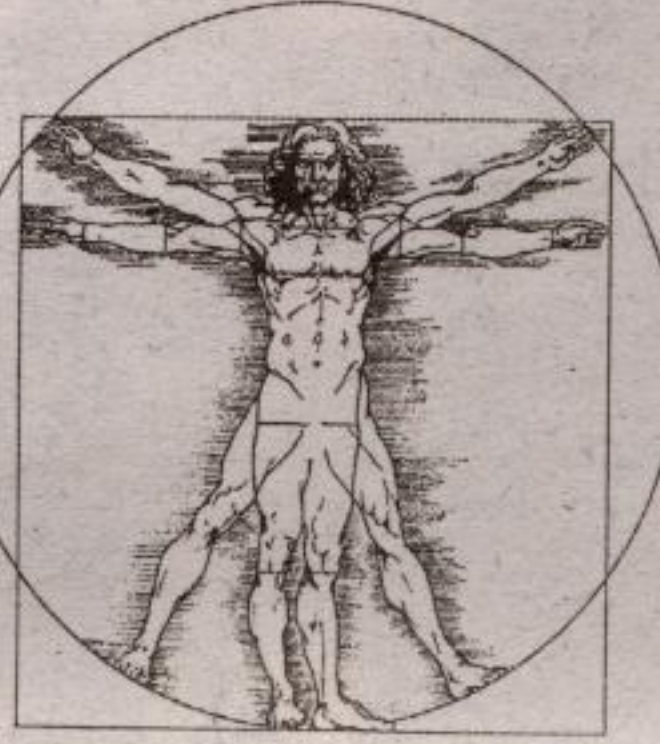
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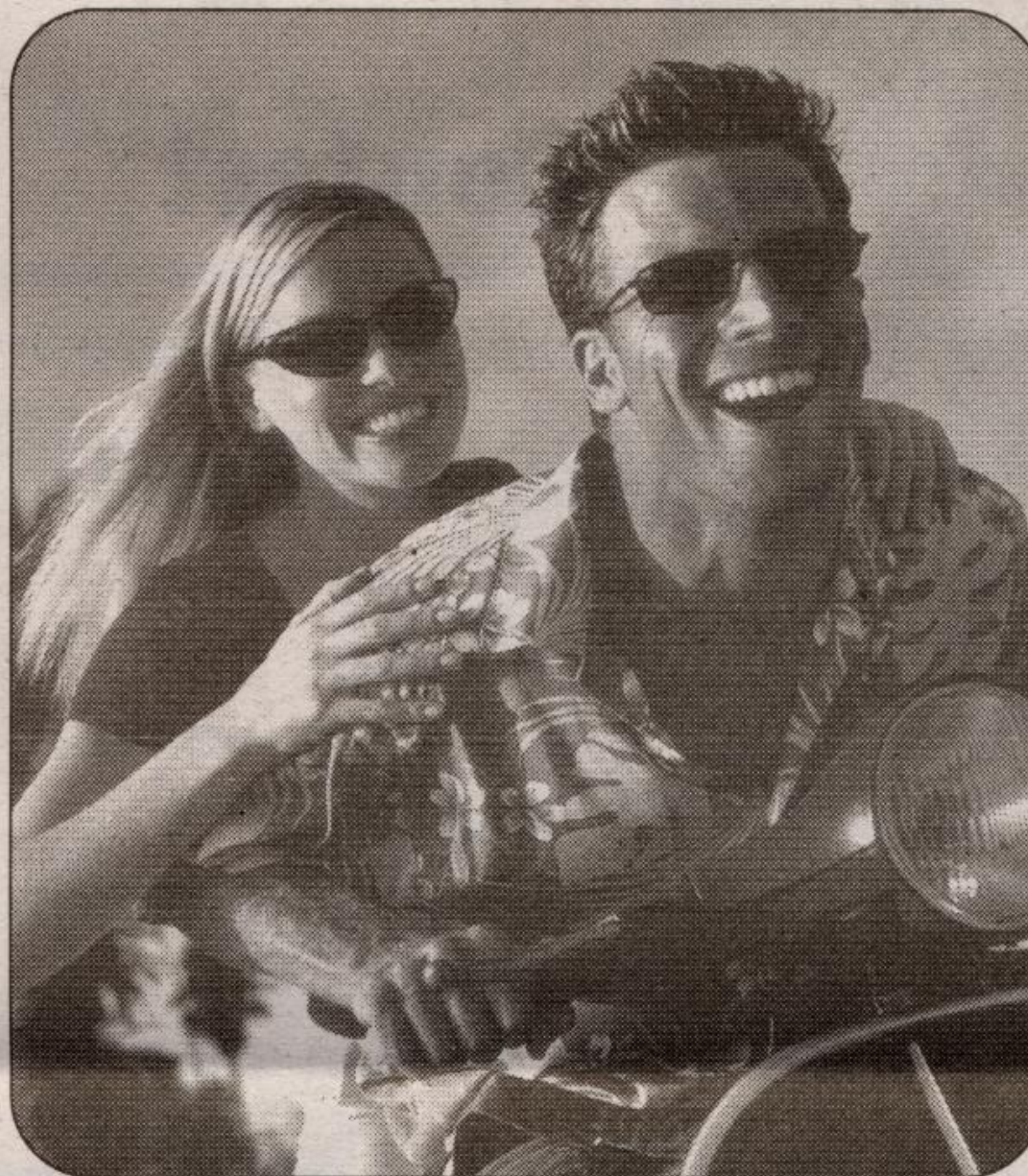


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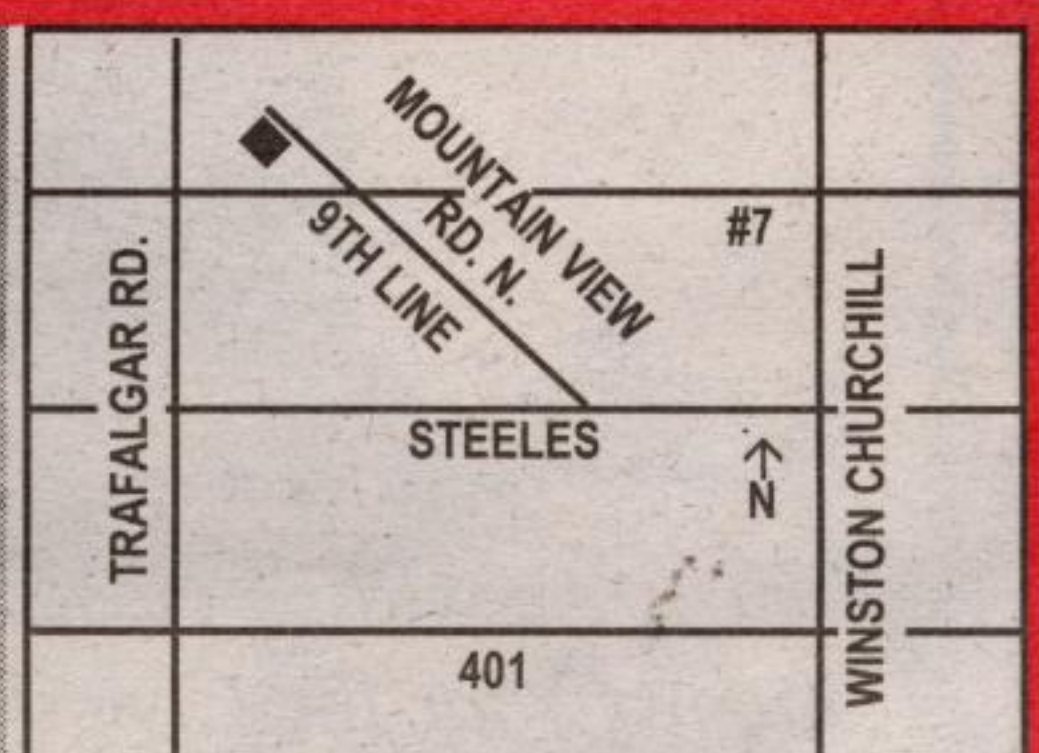


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