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## 'Breakfast on the Environment'

Savoline launches new youth initiatives

By DONNA DANIELLI

Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline recently welcomed over two hundred people at her first "Chairman's Breakfast on the Environment". The special morning meeting, held September 17 at Rattle Snake Golf Club celebrated the launch of the region's new initiatives for youth, the Halton Youth Awards for Environmental Excellence and the Halton Environmental Scholarship Awards. The purpose of the awards is to foster an appreciation in youth for the environment and to raise awareness of local environmental issues. "Today is about our awareness of the environment, to celebrate our achievements and to look forward," explained Savoline in her opening remarks. "We ought to be listening to our children. They're learning about the environment and they can teach us a lot."

"THE BEST AND THE BRIGHTEST NEVER STOP LEARNING"

At least four Awards for Environmental Excellence are  
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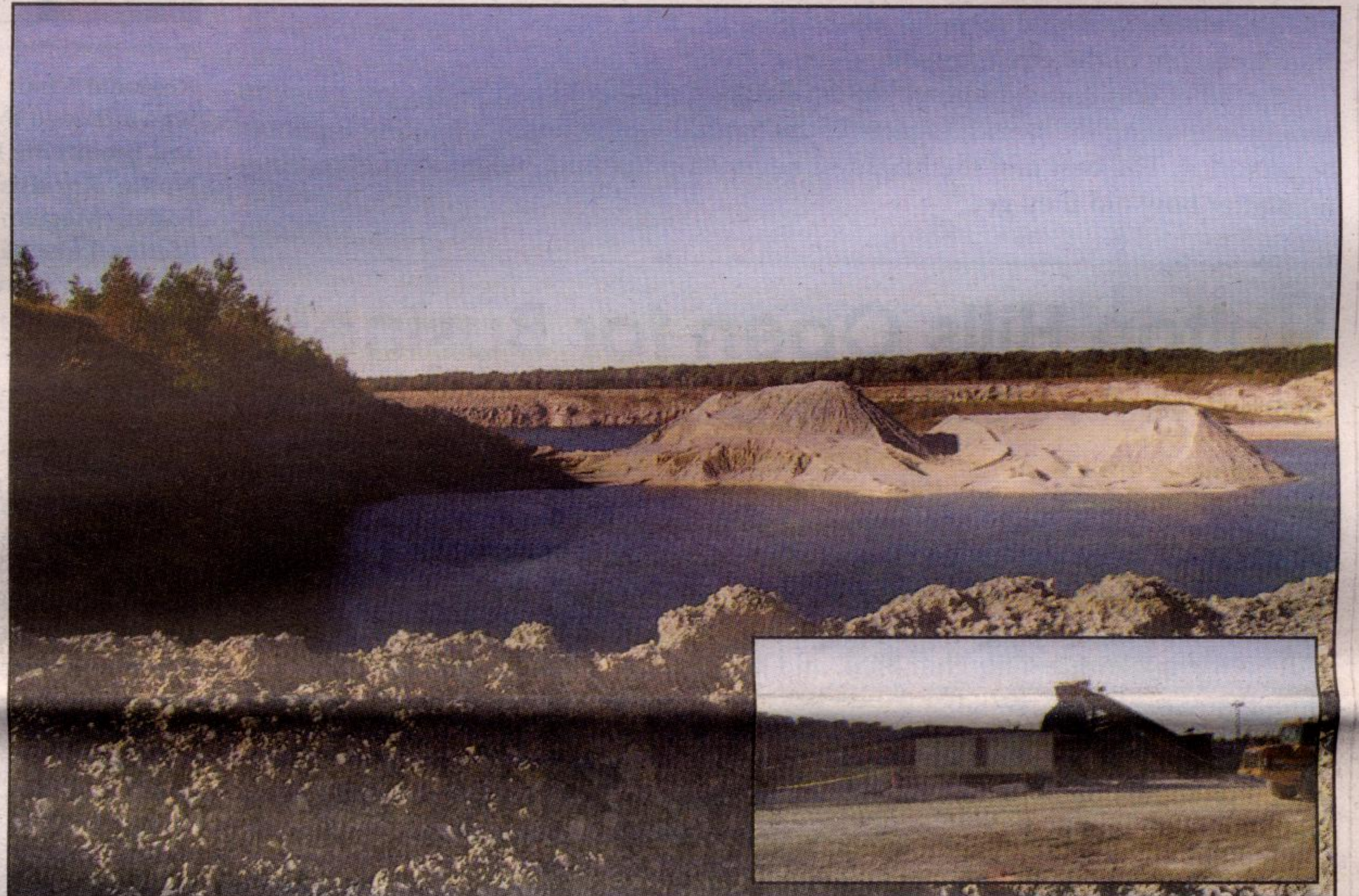
## Taking a Second Bite Changes in Town of Milton proposed Animal By-Law

By ANN KORNUA

The first draft of the Animal By-Law in the Town of Milton presented last month had drawn a vociferous crowd to the Council Chambers. The proposal contained some inconsistencies and there was a great deal of negative feedback with over 60 residents of Milton attending the public information session. Over 200 Emails poured into the Town on this issue as the public expressed their concern with the proposed limits on keeping small birds and animals. The public felt strongly that there should be not be a statutory limit on the numbers of animals a person is allowed to keep, and that other matters regarding collars, leash

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## Landscape under construction



PHOTOS BY STEPHEN BAKER

Before and after pictures of Dufferin Aggregates Acton Quarry viewed at last weekend's Open House.

## Burlington Short 26 Physicians Province agrees to help

By TIM HUMPHRIES

The Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care recently designated the City of Burlington as 'underserved' in terms of its number of practising family physicians.

The designation resulted from an application submitted by the Burlington Physician Recruitment and Retention Task Force to the Ministry's Underserved Area Program (UAP) in an effort to bring more physicians to the area. Based on the application, the Ministry determined that, using a ratio of one physician to every 1,380 residents, Burlington should have a total of 109 family physicians. This means Burlington officially has 26 vacancies.

The task force, headed by Regional Councillor Joan Loughheed, comprises representatives from the City of Burlington, Halton Region, the offices of MP Paddy Torsney and MPP Cam Jackson, Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital and the Burlington Chamber of Commerce.

"We are very pleased the Ministry approved the application to designate Burlington as an 'underserved' community," said Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline. "As a result of this designa-

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