

Michael Papaioannou



Compass columnist, Jeff Lumby opened the fundraiser with his unique brand of Canadian humour.

The fund raiser held at Country Heritage Park in Milton on February 19th for Michael Papaioannou raised over \$60,000 dollars. It was a huge success with the musical talents of Life Time Drive, Alysha, The Caroline Wiles Band and Rick Sonata entertaining the sold out audience of over 400. Allison's of Milton generously volunteered the catering of the event with a lavish feast donated by local suppliers. The evening also included a silent auction and an exciting live auction. Monies raised will help pay for treatments for little Michael at a clinic in San Diego. Event organizer and Compass Assignment Editor, Donna Danielli commented, "I am very pleased we had such an excellent turn out for our first year. So many people worked very hard to make this a success, especially Country Heritage Park, Allison's of Milton, Kwik Kopy, The Halton Compass and all of the people who volunteered that night."

Donna added grateful thanks for everyone who attended and made it such a success. "Thanks go to our entertainers who put on a fantastic show and to our corporate sponsors and our many donors. We are also grateful for the many hard working volunteers who put countless hours into this event," Donna said.

This is to be an annual fundraiser for LND awareness and next year's date is confirmed for February 26 2006, as at Country Heritage Park in Milton, has once again offered to donate the use of the Gambrel Barn. Monies from future fundraisers will be used to set up a special fund at Sick Kids hospital to research and hopefully find a cure for Lesch Nyhan Disease which affects 1 in 20 million worldwide.



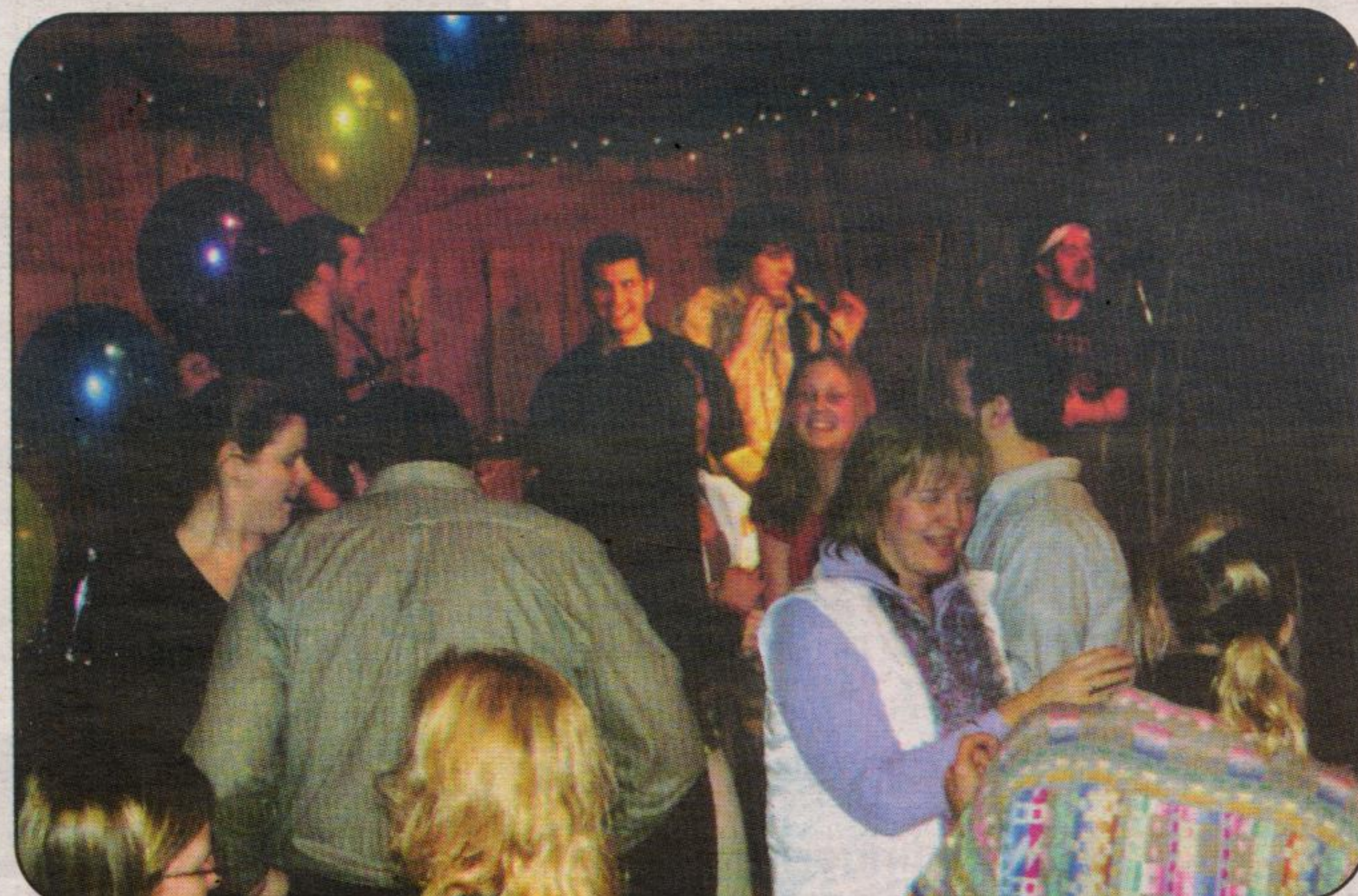
Peter and Melissa Papaioannou with son Michael, who made a special guest appearance at the fundraiser in his honour.



LTD's Steven Demetrious and Jonathan Volpe carried the evening's energy into the wee hours of the morning.



The hardworking volunteers of the Allison's of Milton team were a crucial part of the evening's success.



The hard rocking beat of Life Time Drive had the crowd up on their feet and dancing the night away.



Clem Scholtz, founder of the Deidre & Friends Foundation, shown here with Master of Ceremonies, Fr Mark Curtis, was on hand to offer support and advice to the Papaioannou family.