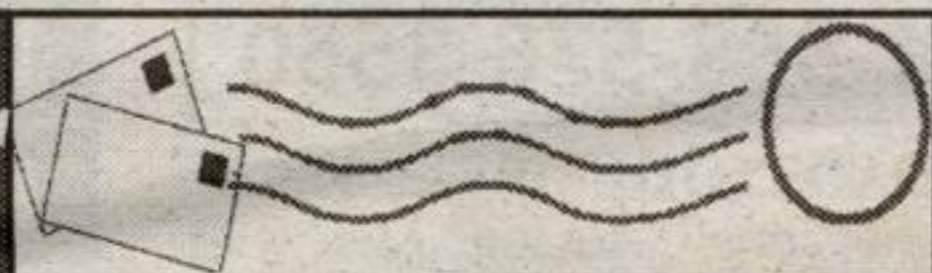




KIDS CLUB WINNER: Taylor Donnelly of Rockwood accepts a backpack full of goodies from IGA Garden Market grocery manager Dave Papillon at the store on Tuesday afternoon. Names are drawn monthly for the Kids' Club prize.

Letters



Local businesses contribute to Muskoka camp toy drive

Dear Editor,
Hometown proud is a familiar sentiment to the residents of Halton Hills and I want to share how local businesses in the area have put this sentiment into action. I recently opened my Discovery Toys business, which coincided with my Discover Toys' team charity toy-drive for children attending Camp Oochigeas in Muskoka. This is a residential camp for children living with cancer to experience an active outdoor lifestyle.

The purpose of our toy-drive was to provide toys, games, books and puzzles to the camp, which would help enrich the camping experience for children receiving active treatment and who are unable to participate in the outdoor activities during their stay at Camp Oochigeas.

I gave Camp Oochigeas \$400 in donations from

my family, friends and local businesses. I would like to thank Mr. M. Manes, Mr. VanDam (Acton Garden Market IGA), Mr. Dawe, Ms. Scotland, Ms. Whiting (ReMax Blue Spring Realty) and Dr. Beier (Stewarttown Dental Clinic) for making generous donations to our toy drive. My team is giving over \$30,000 of Discovery Toys, games, books and puzzles to the camp. As well, we will be personally sponsoring a child to attend Camp Oochigeas next year!

Everyone's support has profoundly touched my heart because I recently lost my dear mother to cancer this winter. Hometown proud, is a sentiment that I personally cherish. Thank you.

*Respectfully,
Jennifer Gadzala,
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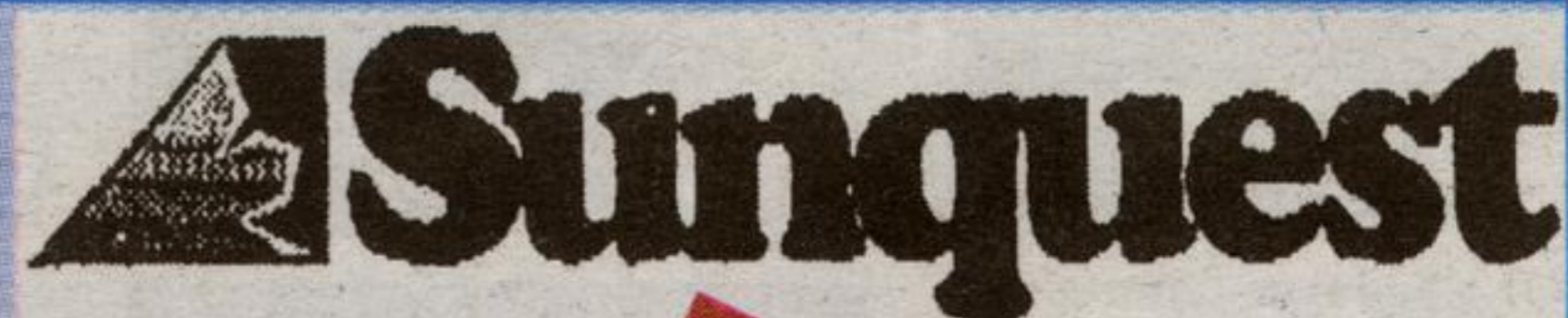
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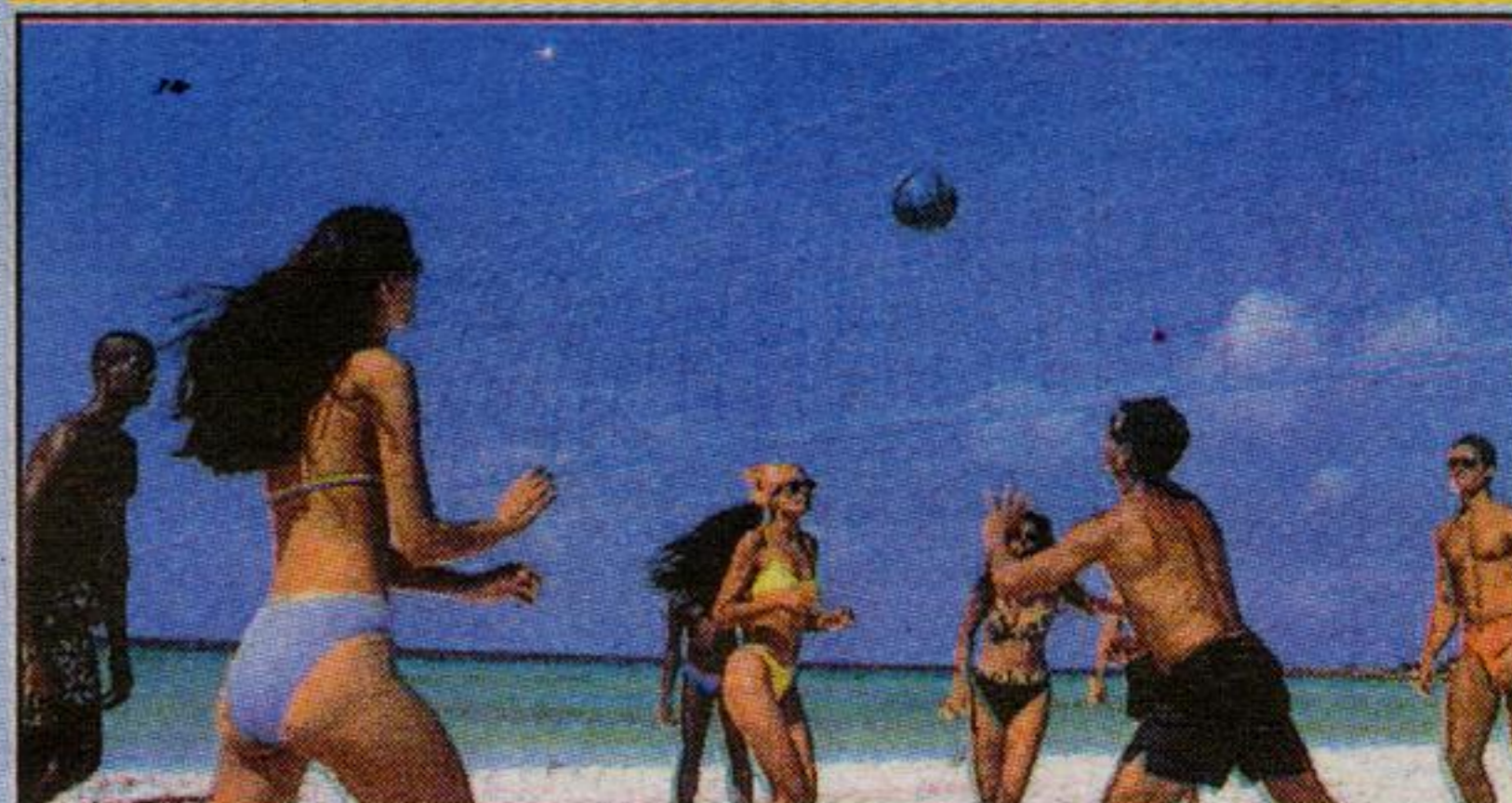
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