



Business of the month

Country Reflections at 37 Mill Street East in Acton was recently named as Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce Business of the Month. On hand for the presentation were (from left) Chamber members Pat Hatch, Dee Noguera, Acton BIA chair Brenda Watson, chamber member Scott Becksted, Country Reflections owner Judy MacDonald and Halton Hills Chamber president Bruce Wenham.

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Local cable firm prepared for year 2000

When the new millennium arrives, computers, unable to accept the year 2000 into their files, may provide plenty of grief but Western Co-Axial is prepared for the stroke of midnight on Dec. 31, 1999.

"Our staff has already prepared an inventory of our electronic systems, including a checklist of vendors," said Tracy Lavelle-Essery, manager of Information Services for the cable company which serves north Halton, "and are well

on the way to finishing an assessment of how they will be affected by the millennium bug—if at all."

The company want to ensure customer records, credits, invoicing and service histories are safe.

"We know, for instance, that our main computer software, the one that looks after customer accounts, has been clear since 1993; the people who wrote the program were onto the problem very early in the game," said Lavelle-Essery.

To ensure the systems will run

smoothly through Jan. 1, 2000, the complete conversion and testing will be complete in early 1999, and confirmed well before the critical deadlines.

Western Co-Axial is well prepared, but, "What we're not sure of is the readiness of the other companies we do business with, and we want and expect their assurance and guarantees. In fact, we'll just stop doing business with them if there's any chance that they will jeopardize our customers."

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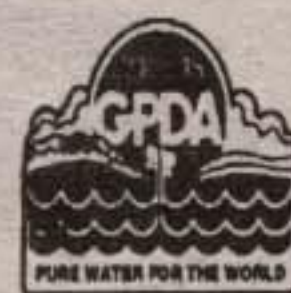
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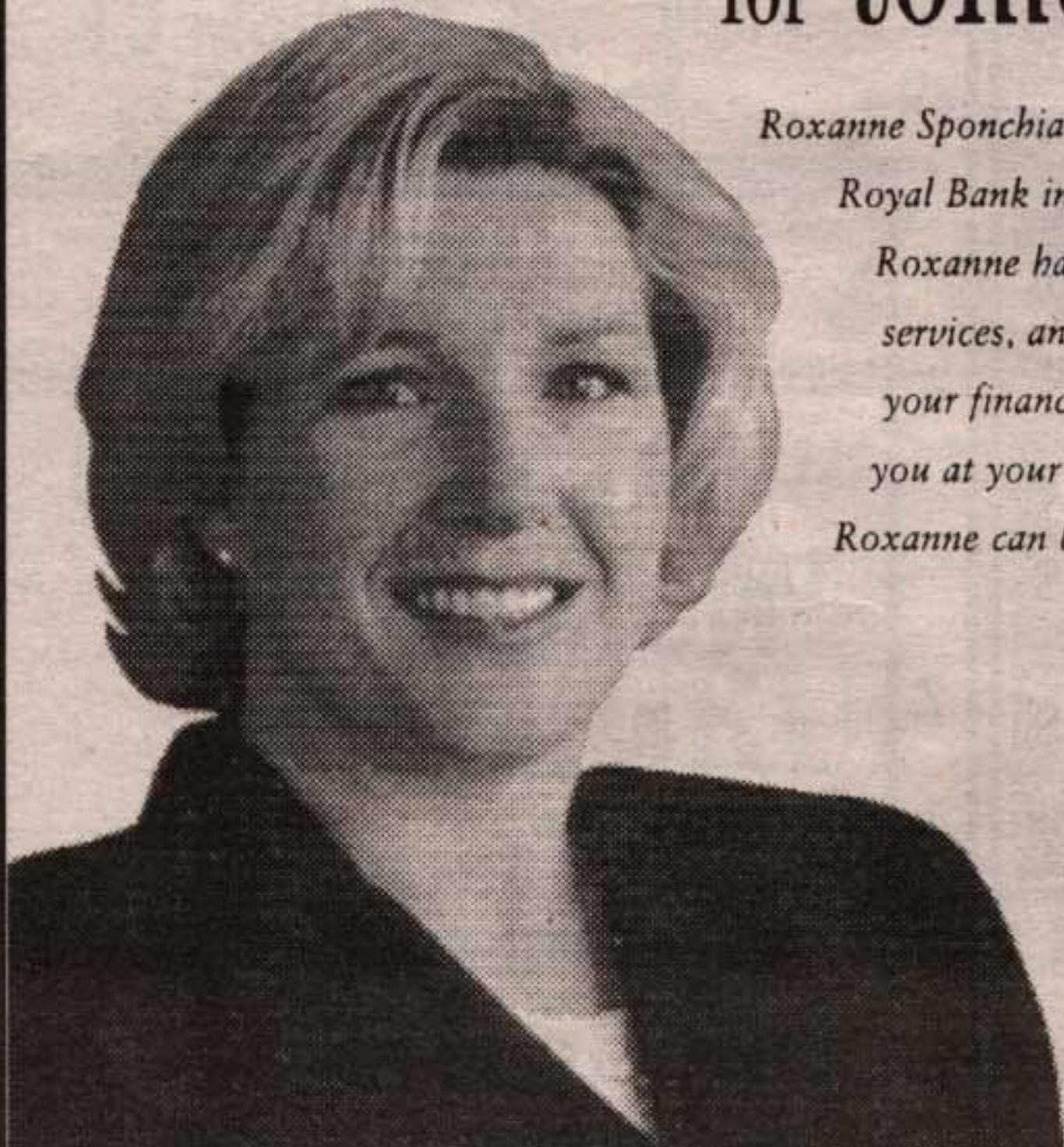
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