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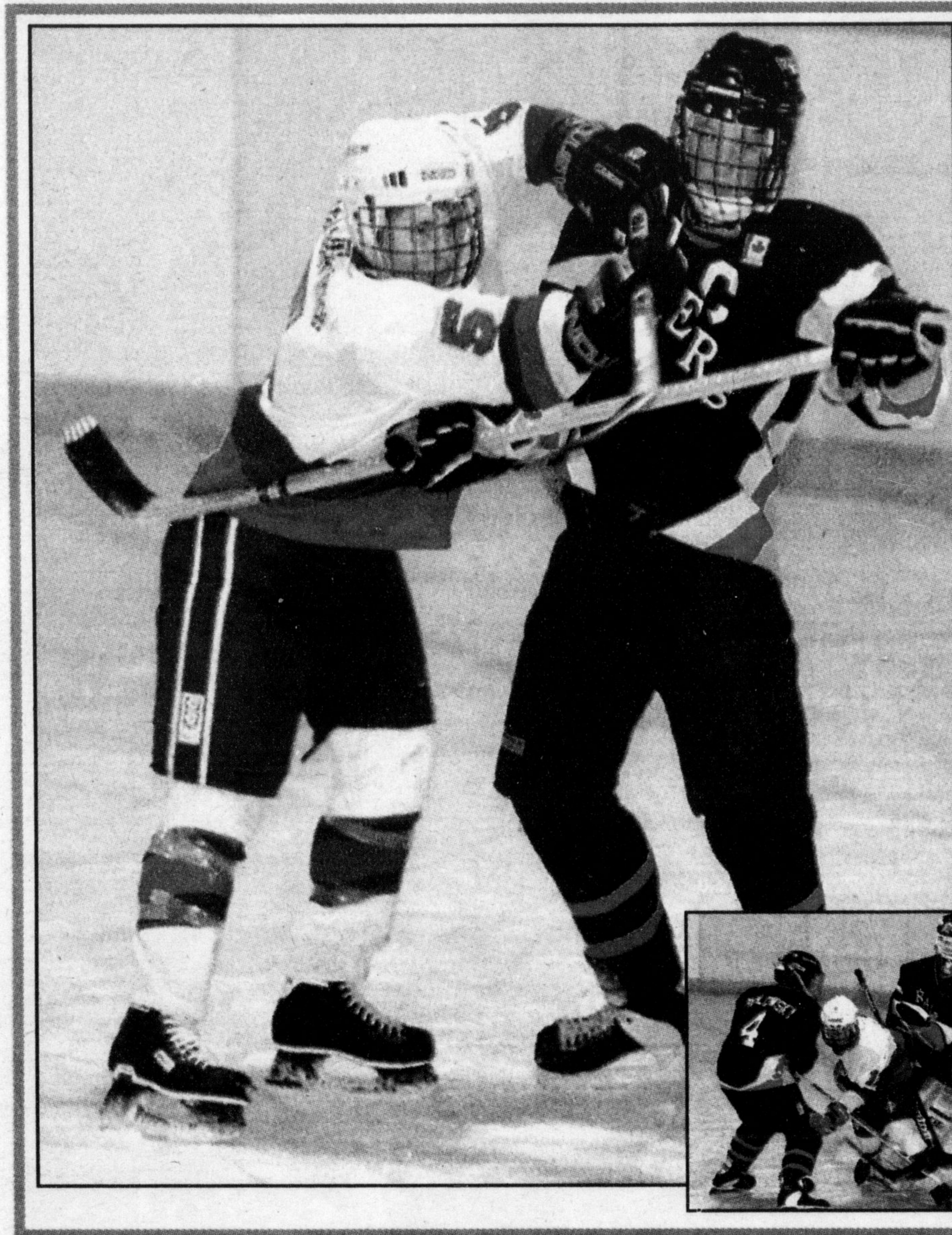
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The 24th annual Beaver Tournament, which wrapped up yesterday, featured plenty of action like Milton Winterhawk Ricky Nadalin (left) putting the lumber to Georgetown captain Alex Durham. Darryl Langstone (inset) got sandwiched between Raiders Orest Pawlowsky and goaltender Brenden Louth. See Friday's paper for results.

Holiday season tragedy

Two local men killed in devastating crash

By STEVE LeBLANC
Special to The Champion

Tragedy struck a pair of local families just prior to Christmas when two Milton men were killed in a car crash.

Bradley Madill, 43, and Einar Wergeland, 45, suffered fatal injuries as a result of a two-vehicle collision last Tuesday evening.

The accident occurred on Derry Road between Fifth and Sixth lines shortly after 8 p.m.

According to police, an eastbound vehicle driven by Mr. Wergeland lost control — likely due to overcompensation for road slickness — on the S-Bend and entered the westbound lane.

Mr. Madill's westbound vehicle then struck the car head-on.

Mr. Wergeland was pronounced dead at the scene while Mr. Madill was transported to Milton District Hospital but later died as a result of his injuries.

No other people were in the vehicles.

A campaign manager for Rick Malboeuf during this spring's federal election, Mr. Madill of Farmstead Drive was an active member of the Reform Party and sales representative with Argyle and Broadstreet, an agency in Etobicoke that sells com-

puters.

"This has really thrown me," said Mr. Malboeuf upon learning of the crash Wednesday morning.

"Brad and I met through the Reform Party in 1993. He was a strong family man and just a really nice guy."

Mr. Madill is survived by his wife Mary and his teenage stepson Eric.

Survived by wife Sharon and daughters Michelle and Rebekah, Mr. Wergeland of Fifth Line was a skilled carpenter for more than 25 years and an active member of Calvary Baptist Church in Oakville.

Funeral services for the two men were scheduled for yesterday and today.

The service for Mr. Wergeland, who was born in Mission, B.C., is being held at Calvary Baptist Church today.

Unbelievable! -- Christmas Bureau Fund climbs to more than \$24,000

The people of Milton have done it again.

The Champion's Christmas Bureau Fund hit a final total of \$24,331 for the Milton branch of the Salvation Army.

"We made this year's goal (of) \$20,000 but I really didn't think we'd actually make it," said Champion classified manager Sheena Cameron.

"This is unbelievable. I cannot believe it."

Ms Cameron said the same donation program conducted by the Oakville Beaver, the Champion's sister paper in Oakville, raised under half what the people of Milton donated.

Sandra (Harse) Ross, director of Salvation Army family services in Milton, thanked everyone in Milton for their support.

She said kettle collections were up, individual donations were up and the Champion's collections were up.

Last year the Champion's Christmas Bureau Fund topped out at \$21,414 after the goal was set at \$16,000.

"People in Milton need to be saluted," Ms. Ross said. "We were able to provide 220 Christmas hampers this year."

Last year the Salvation Army put together just under 200 Christmas hampers for families in Milton.

"This makes for a good Christmas for people and will make for a good year people who need our help in 1998," said Ms Ross.

Ms Cameron said the largest single donation was \$2,500 provided by the employees of Rockwell International, now known as Meritor.

One man, who insisted on anonymity, made a personal donation of \$1,000, Ms Cameron said.

The Christmas Bureau Fund has been in operation through the Canadian Champion for more than 10 years.

NEWSLINES

Preston Manning coming to town

Preston Manning, leader of the Reform Party of Canada, will be at the Milton Optimist Centre on Thursday, Jan. 15.

Mr. Manning, representing the official opposition in parliament, will give a breakfast speech at 7:30 a.m.

He is expected to speak for about 20 minutes and will take questions after.

The event is hosted by the Reform Constituency Association of Halton.

Tickets cost \$25 per person. For more information call Clay Downes at 877-8220.

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