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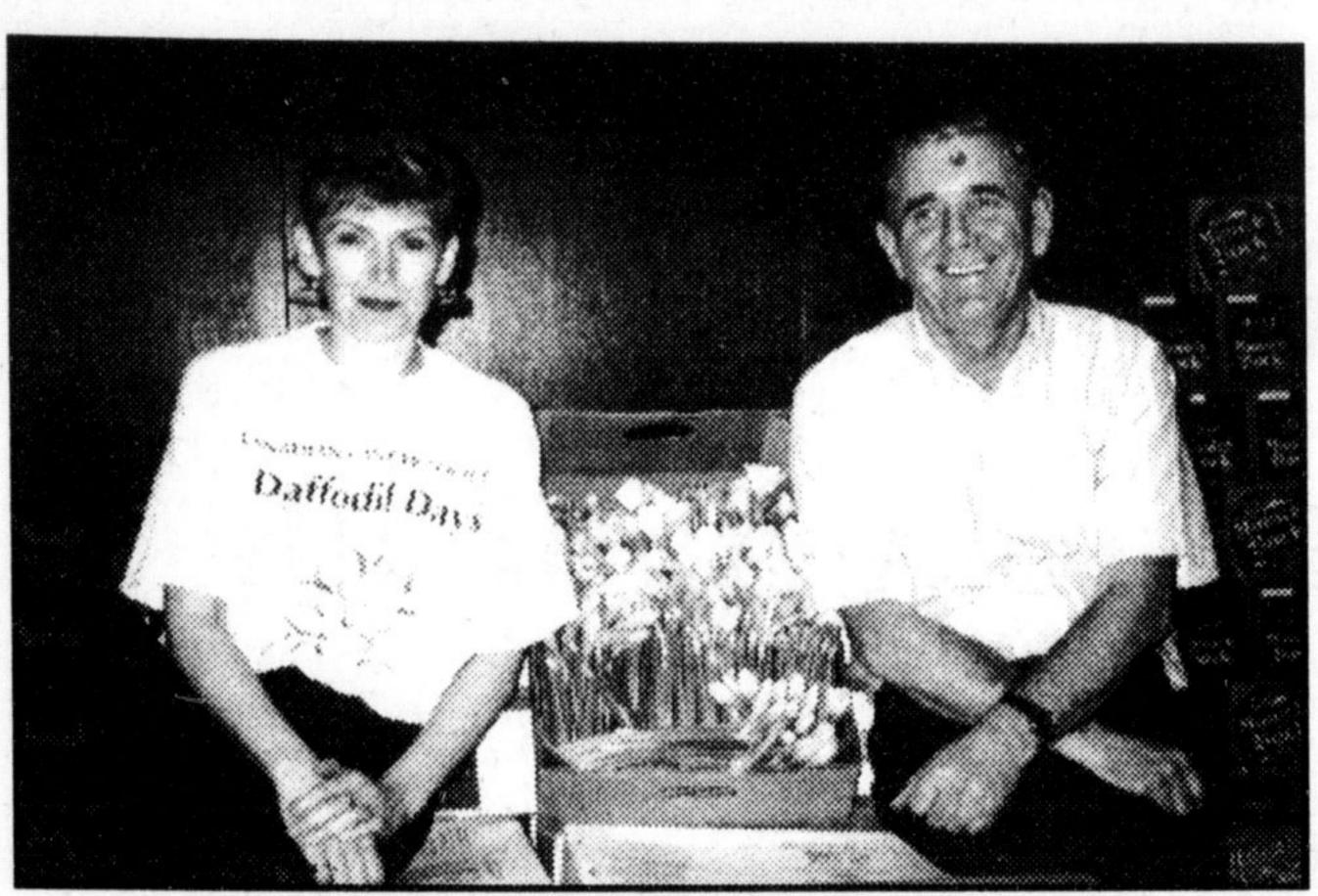
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In the mid 1990's the provincial government commissioned a review of the cancer system in Ontario. Hundreds of cancer patients, their families, and health professionals across the province were asked for their opinions on cancer care and services.

The conclusion: Patients asked for a better co-ordinated system with consistant standards. The provincial government responded last April by launching a new agency called Cancer Care Ontario (CCO) to oversee and coordinate cancer care in the province.

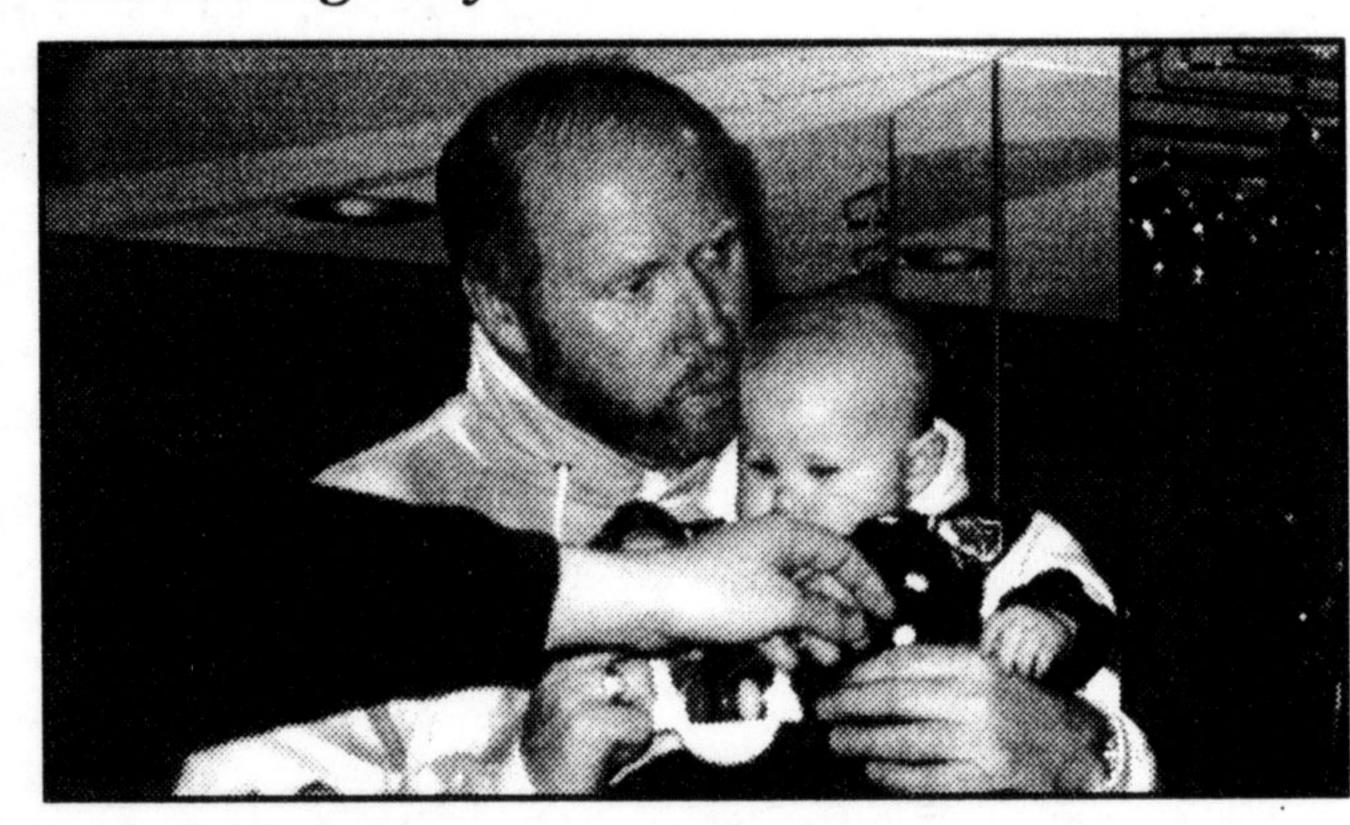
Cancer Care Ontario recently completed a plan for changes to the cancer system by the year 2000, Cancer Care magazine asked Dr. Charles Hollenburg, president and chief executive officer of CCO, to explain why the organization is needed and what it will do.

Q. Why does the Cancer System need improvement?

A. Individuals, organizations, agencies and health professionals provide excellent care, but they tend to work in isolation. As a result, there are variations in the quality of care and many barriers that patients must penetrate in order to move from one service to another. In the most stressful times of their lives, patients are left on their own to navigate a complete array of services and health professionals. All health professionals and organizations that provide services to patients want to

do the best job possible, but until now they have lacked a coordinated system through which to share or receive information. Cancer Care Ontario will develop a cohesive and coordinated system to allow service providers to work together.

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Dennis Gubenco

At some point and time in our lives we will all experience loss. Whether it be a family member, a good friend or a co-worker.

In August 1996 my father was diagnosed with terminal cancer. That day my family's whole world was altered.

Instead of playing golf with my father, we were taking him to radiation treatments and chemotherapy. It was a very sad and difficult time for us. But, we did find solace in the volunteers of the Canadian Cancer Society. They spoke with my father, when we could not hide our fears. They held our hands when it seemed all was lost.

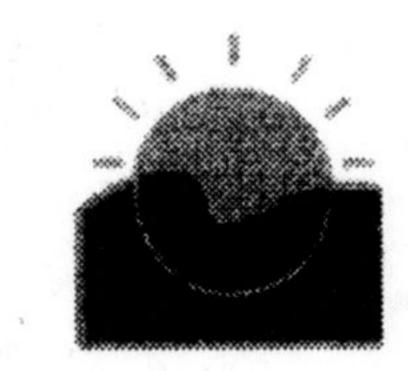
My father succumbed to this horrific disease March 6th, 1997.

Please assist the volunteers in any way you can. Help us beat this disease.

Please give generously to you local Canadian Cancer Society.

Special thanks to the Oncology Doctors and nurses at Credit Valley Hospital. Also a special thank you to Trudy Collins-A special friend and wonderful volunteer.

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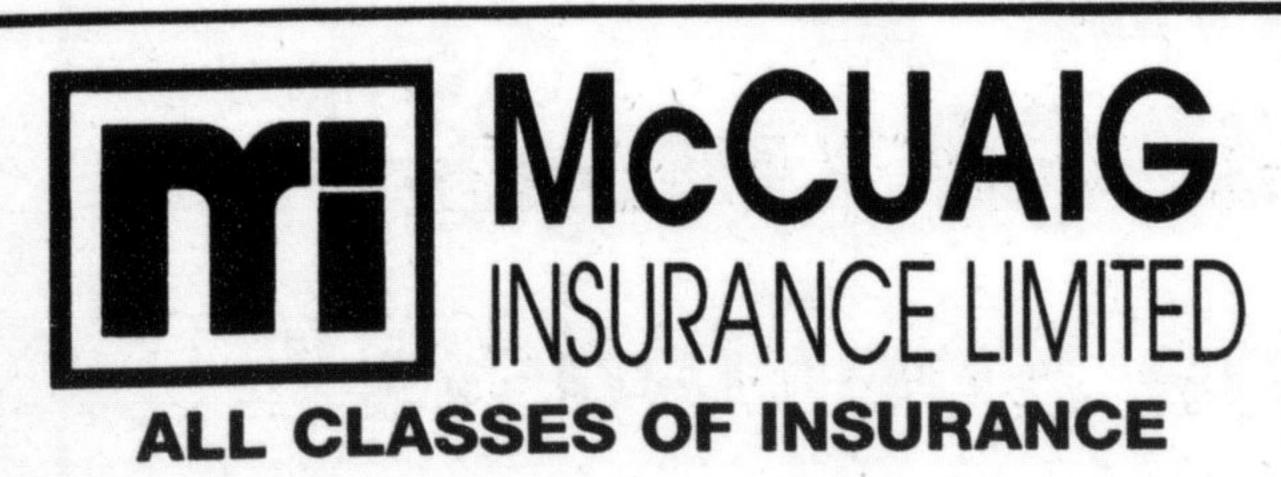
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