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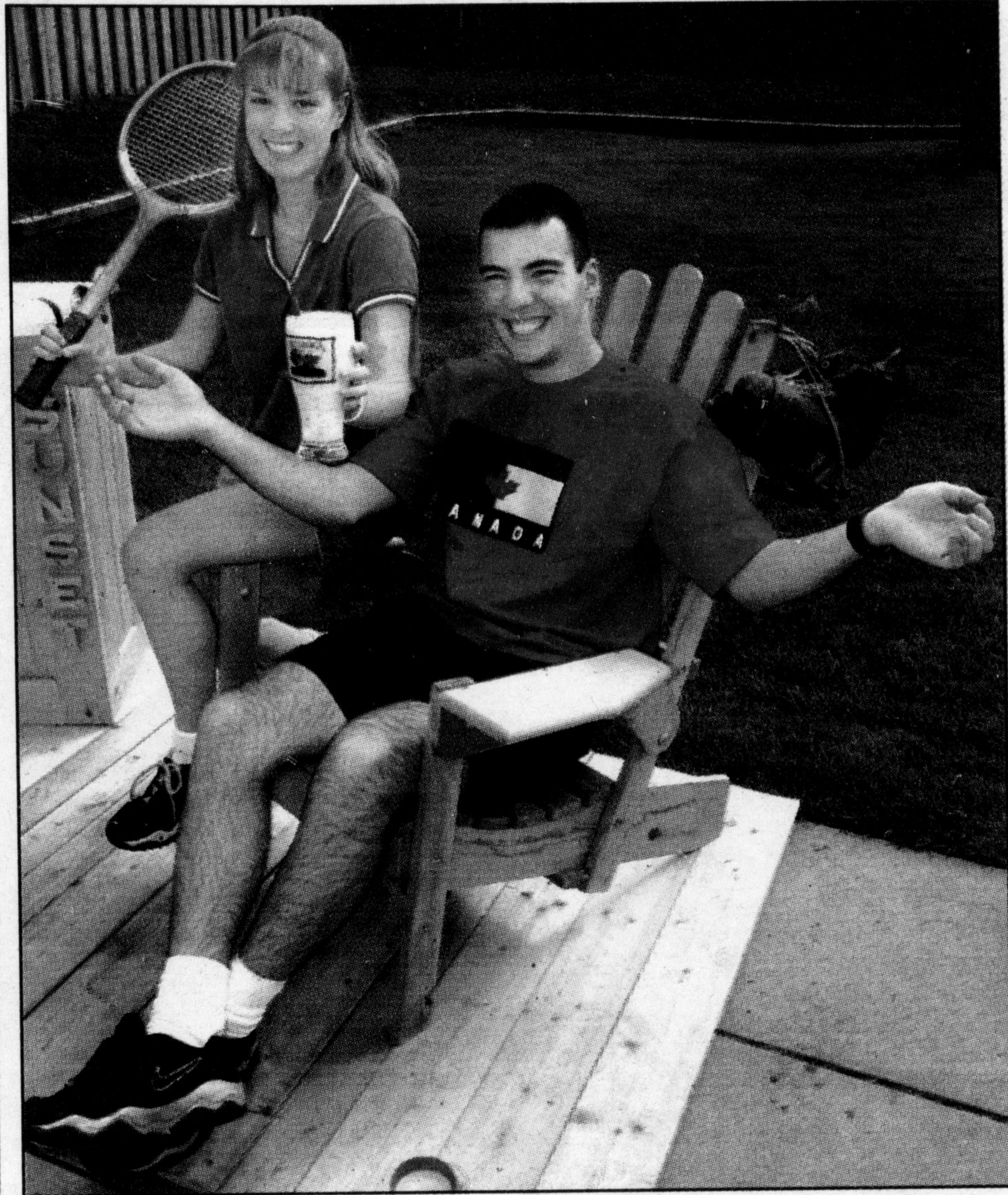


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Relaxing on a deck, Bishop Reding Secondary School students Laura Bekeris and Michael Berube enjoy their 'Muskoka Sunset' drink creation.

Students create ultimate mix

By LISA CARTWRIGHT

The Champion

Don't drink and boat is the message of Muskoka Sunset, the drink created by two Bishop Reding students in the North Halton Ultimate Mix High School Challenge.

The competition saw two teams from each north Halton high school compete for brag-

ging rights for the creation of the best non-alcoholic drink and \$250 each.

Each drink was judged by a panel of people during the May 4 competition at Milton Mall.

The judges were looking for taste, name and appearance of the drink, the safety message it was trying to portray and the overall presentation.

A team from Bishop Reding

High School came in first followed by a team E.C. Drury School for the Deaf, which earned second. Third prize went to a Georgetown school.

The event, presented by Trauma Prevention Council, Milton Road Safety Committee and Halton Injury Prevention Committee, tried to show students that non-alcoholic beverages

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Conversations taped

Cops bugged home of murder suspect

By LISA CARTWRIGHT

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In the summer of 1997, David Fiorino swore to his wife Kimberly that he didn't use a gun during a contraband liquor deal, court heard Tuesday.

Jail guards hit jackpot in lottery

There's nothing like winning millions of dollars to put a spring in one's step. So there's a lot of folk at Maplehurst Correctional Centre feeling spry these days.

A lottery pool involving some 73 employees of provincial correctional institutions hit the jackpot over the weekend, nabbing a \$11.4 million Lotto 6/49 win.

Most — but not all — of the workers are employed at Maplehurst.

The winners wasted no time in picking up their individual cheques, which amounted to \$151,000 each.

Maplehurst superintendent Iain Leithead said he couldn't be happier for the winners. "It's been a bit of a boost since. It's the talk of the place, as you can imagine."

Though the unofficial spokesperson for the winners had taken a few days off, Mr. Leithead believed the lottery pool had been on-going since at least 1996.

He said the weekend win has injected some joy in the correctional facility, even among those who didn't buy into the pool.

"The unfortunate thing is lightning doesn't usually strike twice in the same place," joked Mr. Leithead. "There's a lot of happy people. It doesn't happen in Milton every day."

The winning ticket was purchased at Daisy Nottingham, located on Nottingham Gate in Oakville.

"I swear on my life there was no gun involved."

DAVID FIORINO

In Superior Court in Milton, the jury listened to private conversations between Mr. Fiorino, 27, and his wife. The OPP had wiretapped the phones and bugged the couple's Brampton home.

Mr. Fiorino, a former Milton resident, is being tried for first-degree murder in the death of Stephen Andreopoulos, 36, of Barrie.

The tapes revealed that on June 9, 1997, Mr. Fiorino and his wife had an argument about a contraband alcohol deal that allegedly took place on July 2, 1996.

Ms Fiorino said she knew a gun was involved, but her husband denied it.

"I swear on my life there was no gun involved," the jury heard Mr. Fiorino tell his wife on the tape.

Court heard Mr. Fiorino telling her that

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