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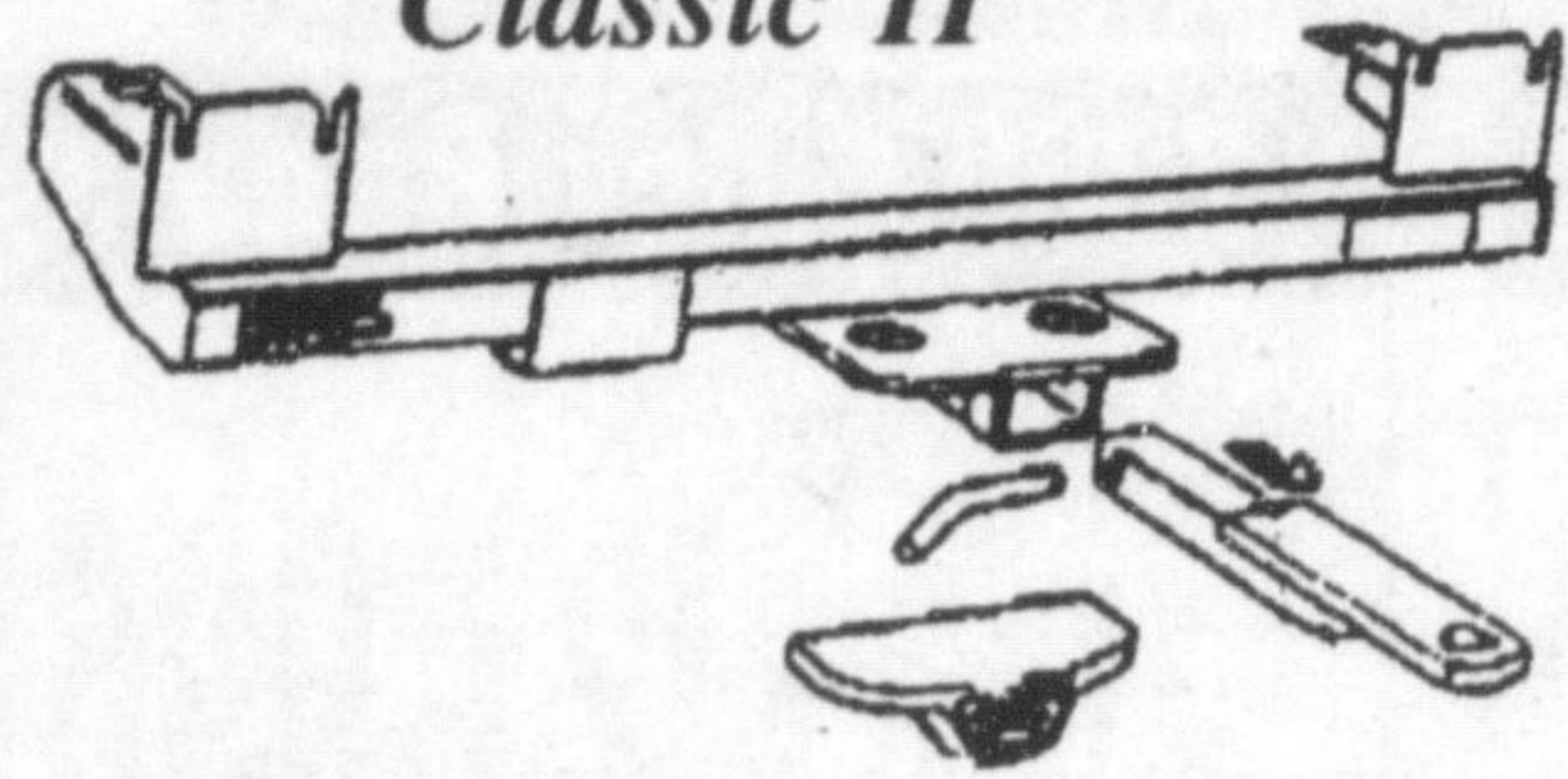
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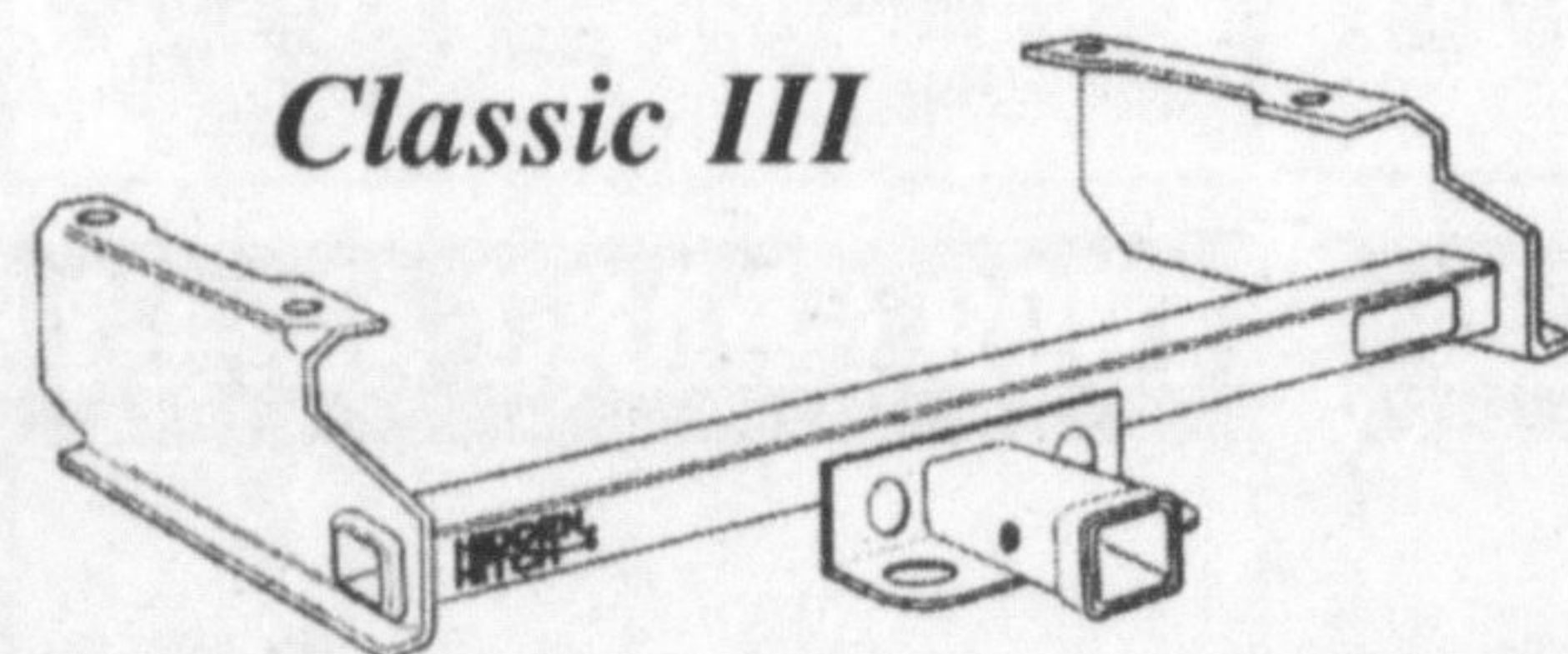
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# Restoration of Mill Pond project almost completed

By FANNIE SUNSHINE

The Champion

The Mill Pond is in the final stages of re-development and should be completed within two weeks, said Jennifer Reynolds, director of community services for the Town of Milton.

"The pond will be re-filled within a few weeks," she said.

"It's been an extensive project with the wetland and shoreline rehabilitation. When the pond is re-filled, it will be a more natural habitat for both plants and fish. We also put in a gazebo."

The pond was drained in the winter of 2000 and excavated this past fall.

The problems began when an overgrowth of milfoil invaded the pond in the past few years, Ms Reynolds said.

The milfoil choked out native plant species such as bulrushes and lily pads in the pond.

That in turn contributed to a decrease in the fish, amphibian and reptile populations.

An attempt to rid the pond of milfoil last summer didn't go far enough, resulting in an almost immediate regrowth of the plant.

In order to get at the root of the problem, the Mill Pond sub-committee, comprised of representatives of the Ministry of Environment and Energy, Ministry of Natural Resources and Town and Halton Conservation staff suggested temporarily draining the pond.

The cost of the re-development of the pond was \$650,000.

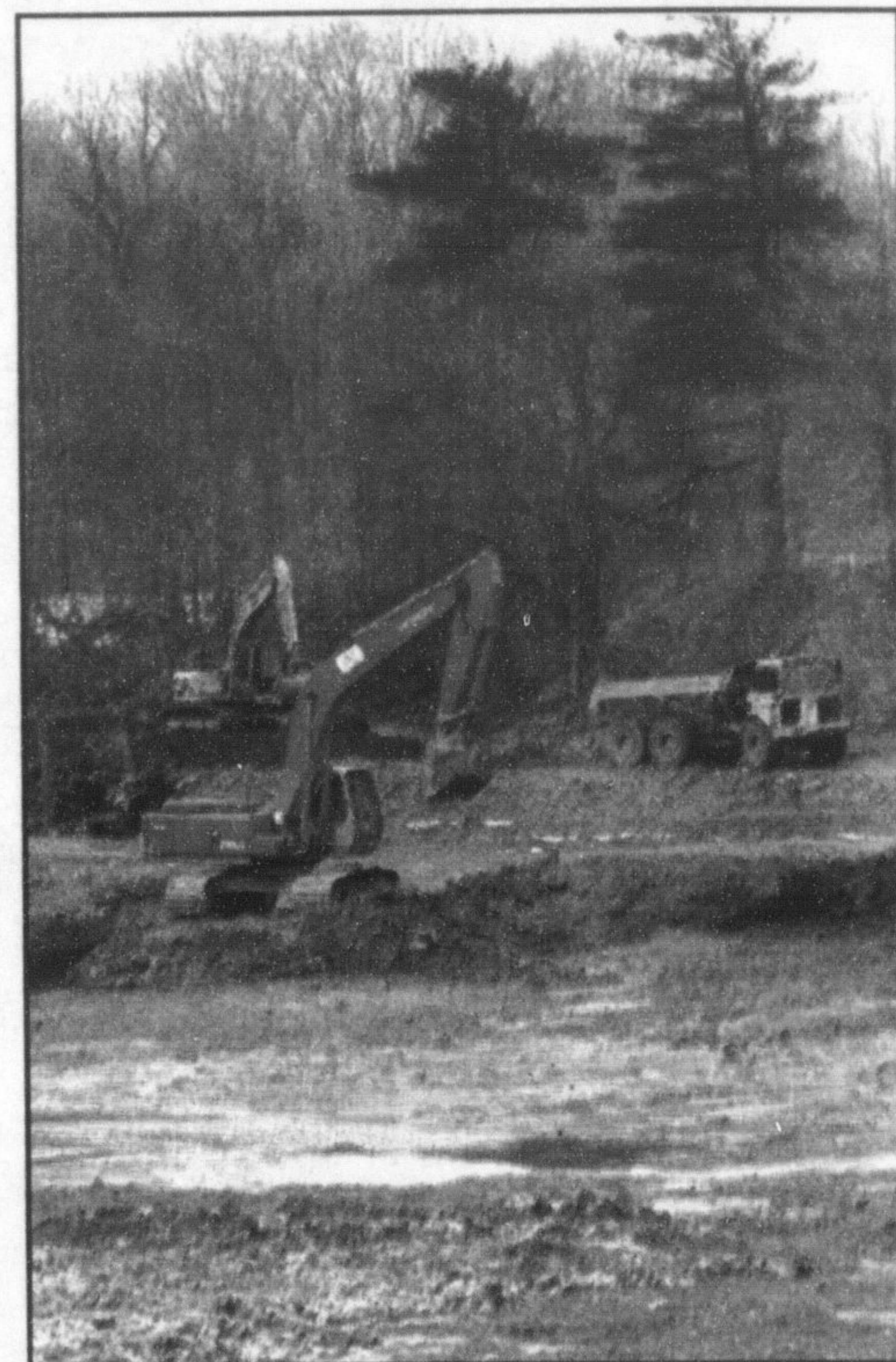


Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

Work on the Mill Pond restoration project nears completion as large construction equipment reshapes the pond floor.

# Carrier of the Year!

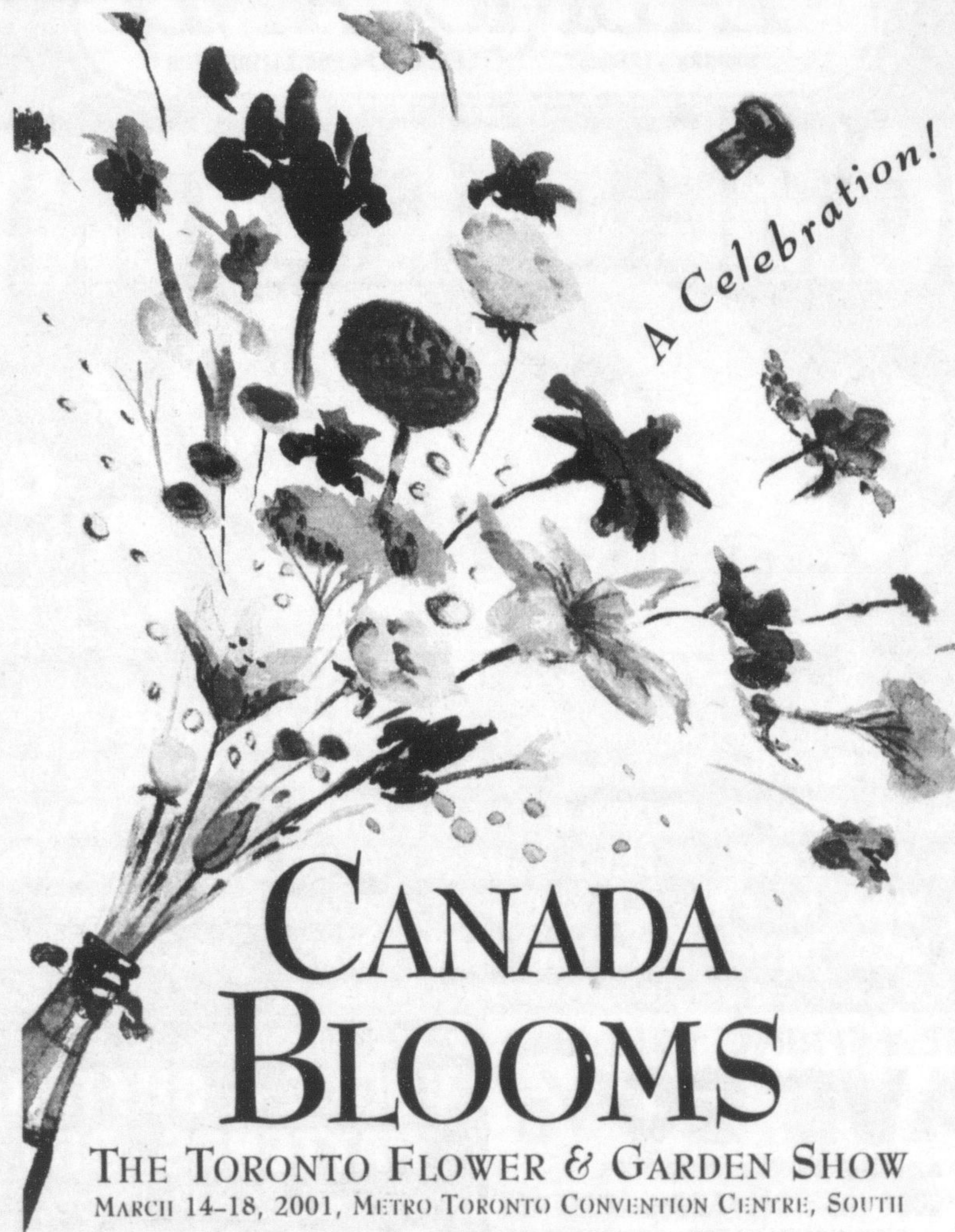


## Congratulations to The Canadian Champion's Carrier of the Year, Isaac Mulé.

11 year old Isaac attends Holy Rosary School and is the youngest of a family of 5 carriers. He himself has been carrying for the Champion for 1 1/2 years. Isaac enjoys writing short stories, drawing, drama, and theatre arts. He also plays defense for Done Right Roofing in the Milton Minor Hockey League. Isaac has a great rapport with his customers. Some of them keep a watch for him just to give him a hug. He received many calls of gratitude for his politeness and prompt delivery. One customer in particular, used to sit with Isaac and have milk and cookies.

For his good work and accomplishment Isaac enjoyed a buffet dinner at Whistling Mountie on Thursday, Feb. 15, 2001 in Burlington along with his award and monetary gift.

Thank you Isaac and keep up the good work!



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