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Lifetime of contributions to be recognized by local Chamber at awards gala Saturday

Hayward and Snoek set to be honoured

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The Champion

Joyce Hayward and Harry Snoek have invested a lot of time and energy into Milton over the years.

And their contributions haven't gone unnoticed.

Ms Hayward and Mr. Snoek are the two recipients of the Milton Chamber of Commerce's 2002 Lifetime Achievement Award.

The awards will be presented Saturday night at the Chamber's 2002 Community Awards gala at Granite Ridge Golf Club.

"It's a great award," said Sandy Martin, executive director of the Milton Chamber of Commerce. "It's a nice way to recognize the individuals who have donated a lifetime."

Joyce Hayward

Joyce Hayward can't stop singing the praises of Milton — or singing at all, for that matter.

For the past 37 years, Ms Hayward has been a vital part of Milton's music community, doing everything from playing the organ in churches to helping seniors sing in four-part harmony as a choir leader.

"I got involved with the community, and never had any desire to leave," she said.

Ms Hayward came to Canada from Britain in 1956 and began teaching piano and theory. She then started volunteering at Milton schools, helping with various music programs. She accompanied churches and choirs with her piano and organ skills, and has donated her time and talents to Allendale Long-Term Care Facility.

She's also a member of the Milton Music Teachers' Association. When the Milton Seniors' Activity Centre needed someone to start a choral group eight years ago, Ms Hayward stepped up to the plate, and the Song Spinners was formed.

"Lots of us never had any desire to play an instrument, but most of us can sing — maybe not on a professional standard, but basic singing."

She added that she thinks music is beneficial for almost anyone.

"I think music keeps you young. There's something about it that gives you a lift."

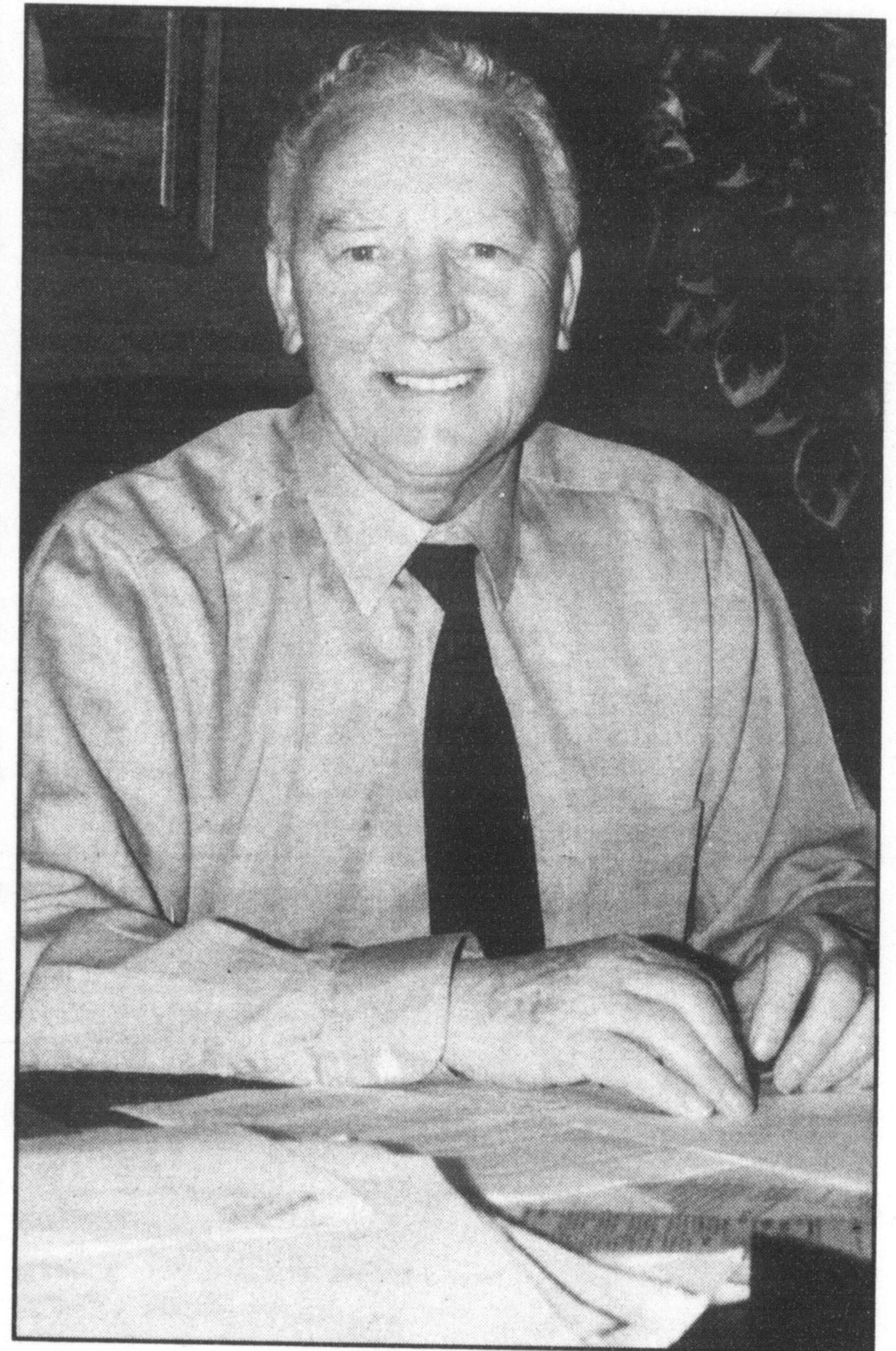
Ms Hayward has enjoyed music for as long as she can remember, she said.

"When I was young, I was forced to take music. If you have some music in you, you get so much pleasure out of it. Music, after my family, is the most important thing I ever got involved with."

Not one to be cocky, Ms Hayward added, laughing: "I'm not terribly good at anything else."

Harry Snoek

Harry Snoek came to Canada from Holland in 1953. His company, HS Limited, was a business that originally bought land,



Joyce Hayward (left) and Harry Snoek — longtime contributors to Milton — will be recognized for their efforts with lifetime achievement honours at the Milton Chamber of Commerce's Community Awards gala at Granite Ridge Golf Club Saturday night.

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invested in it, and sold it. In the 1980s he started developing land, including the 250 acres of the Milton Business Park.

"He saw Milton had quite the potential in the '70s and actively started investing in Milton in the early '80s," said his son, also named Harry Snoek. "Although he didn't live in Milton, he felt a part of it."

Now 80, Mr. Snoek continues to work tirelessly at HS Ltd. One of the areas he's most recently had his eyes on for development is the 300 acres to the northwest of Hwy. 401 and Regional Road 25, the escarpment business community.

"He's hoping to put up a substantial amount of money in the land," said his son.

Mr. Snoek said he's always liked Milton.

"I saw and fell in love with Milton. And ever since, I've been (developing) in Milton."

All of this development has meant the creation of many jobs, his son said.

"He has a lot of heart for the community of Milton. He has, as a business person, created jobs in Milton and lured big and prominent businesses to Milton."

Mr. Snoek currently lives in Thornhill. As far as his attitude toward the award, Mr. Snoek said he couldn't care less.

"I don't seek honour — I'm a humble person," he said. "I don't need recognition."

Tickets to the gala dinner, which begins at 7 p.m., cost \$65 and can be purchased by calling the Milton Chamber of Commerce at (905) 878-0581.

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