Business award recipients are shocked and stunned

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The Champion

Shocked and stunned. That seemed to be how all the recipients in the business categories felt after learning of their victories during the Milton Chamber of Commerce's 2002 Community Awards gala Saturday night.

Business Woman of the Year Dr. Marion King

In 1986, Dr. Marion King, a family physician, started a group practice in Milton. Since then, she has held various positions at Milton District Hospital and co-ordinated Milton's search and recruitment of doctors.

In her acceptance speech, Dr. King thanked family, friends, office staff and her patients.

At the end of the evening, she said it seemed almost unreal. "I keep thinking I'm going to wake up and (find) it was a dream."

Other nominees were Cindy Lunau of Loon-Woods Ltd. and Tracy Repchuck of Bravo Software Group.

Business Man of the Year Diego Sdao

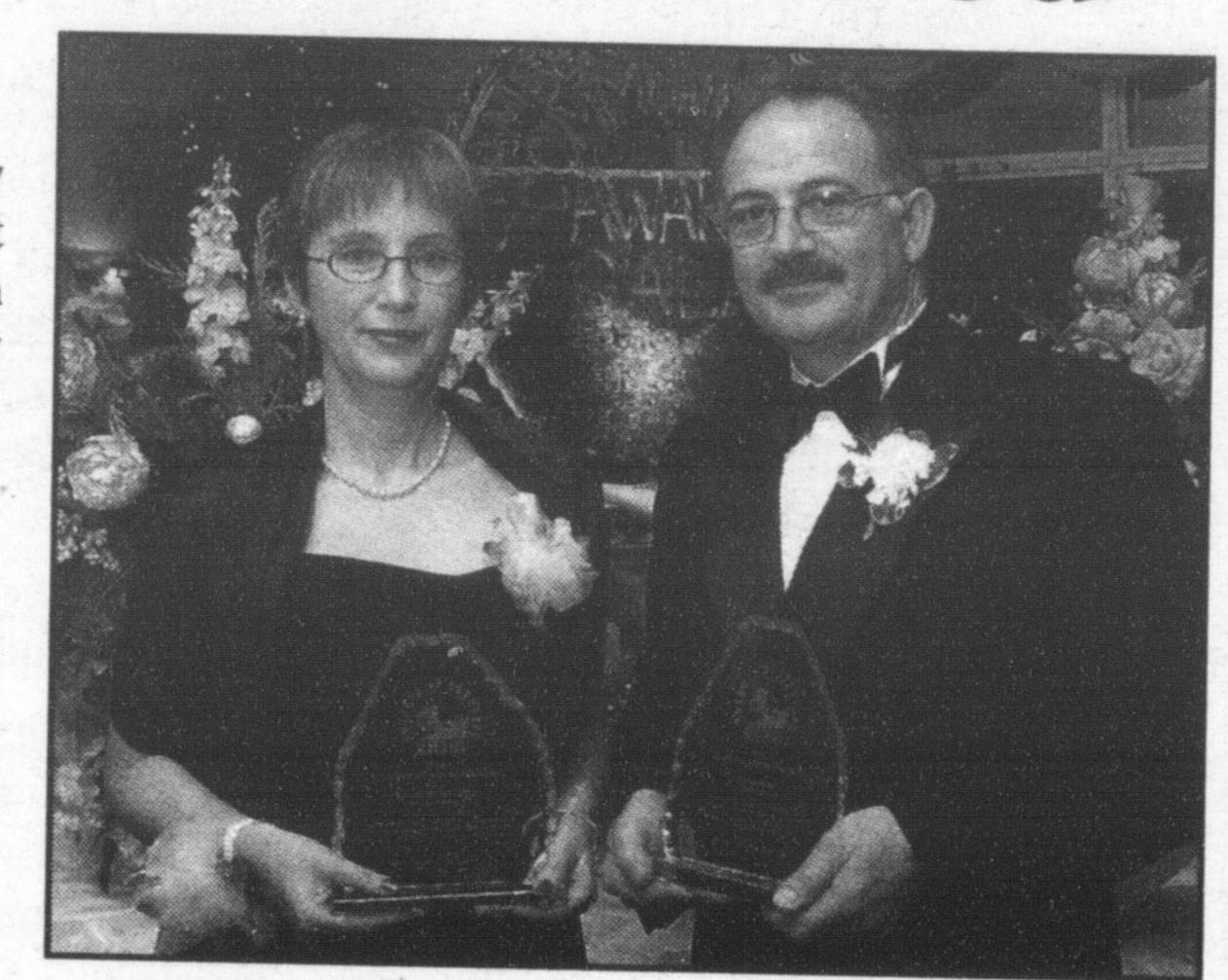
Diego Sdao said he was "very honoured to be nominated," but added later that winning isn't the most important thing.

"It's not about winning, it's about being involved with the community."

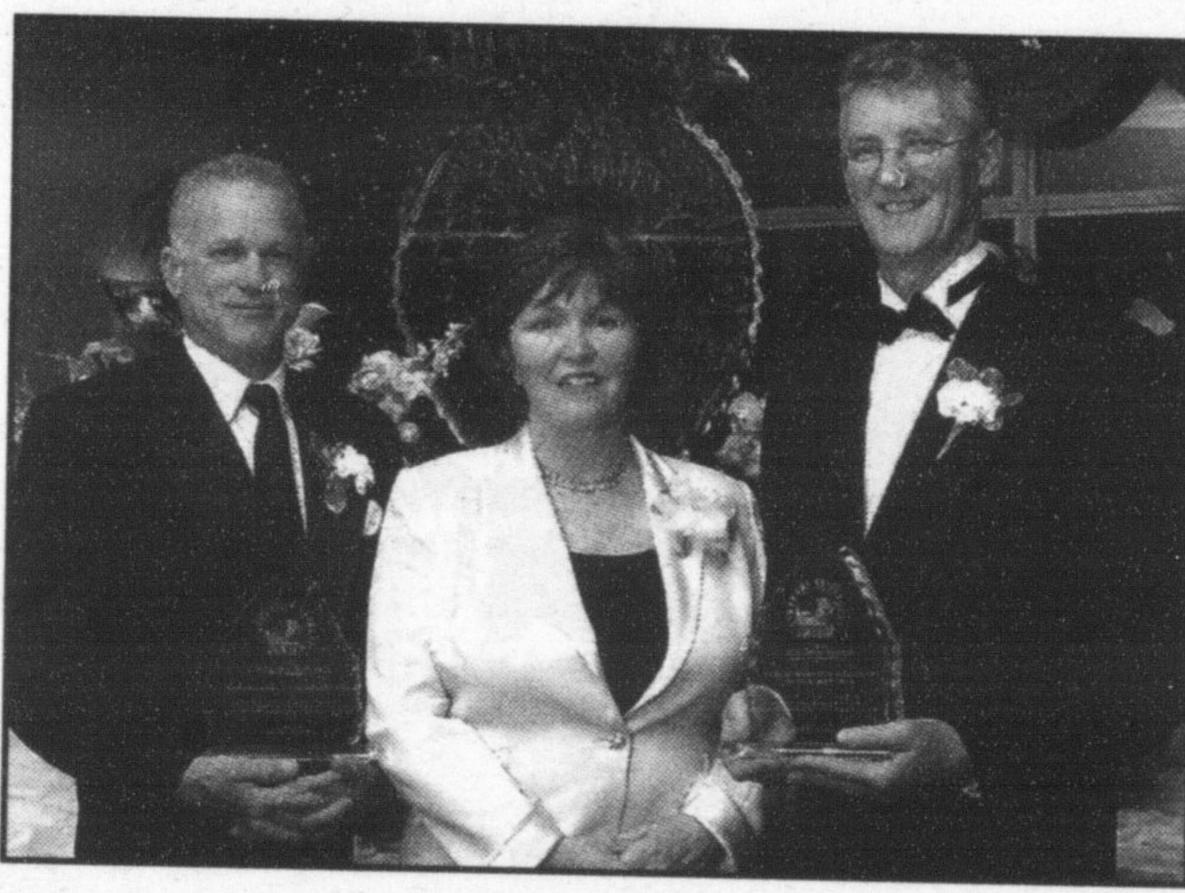
For the past 13 years, Diego Sdao has owned the Tim Hortons at Ontario Street and Derry Road, and now also owns the drive-through in the Esso station on the opposite corner.

Jeff Bergsma of Bergsma's Home Decor was also nominated.

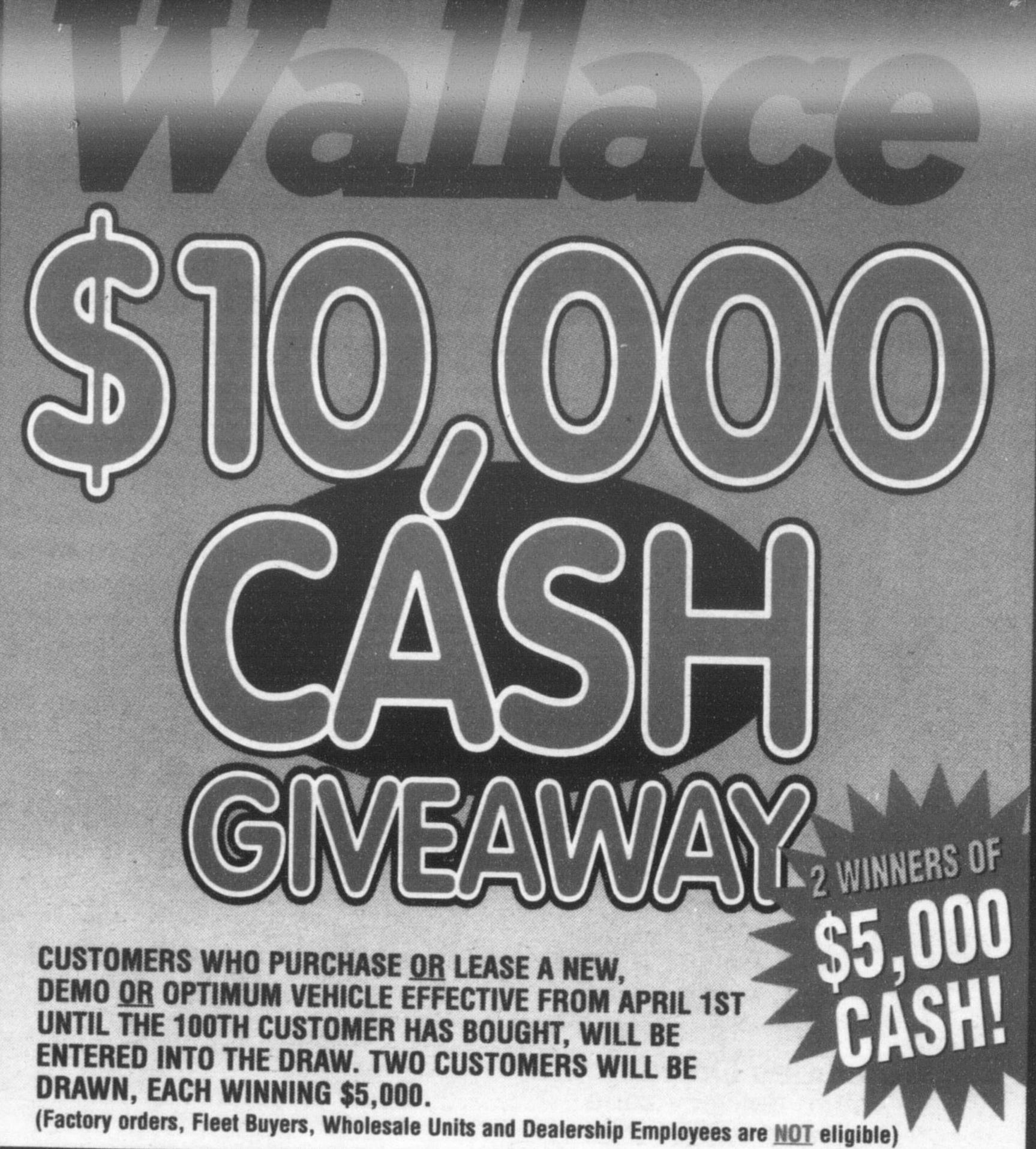
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Dr. Marion King (left), a family physician, and Diego Sdao, a local Tim Hortons owner, accept their Business Man and Woman of the Year awards.



From left, Philip and Barbara Lawton of Taylor Nursery and Peter Buwalda of Prosperity One accept their Business of the Year awards.



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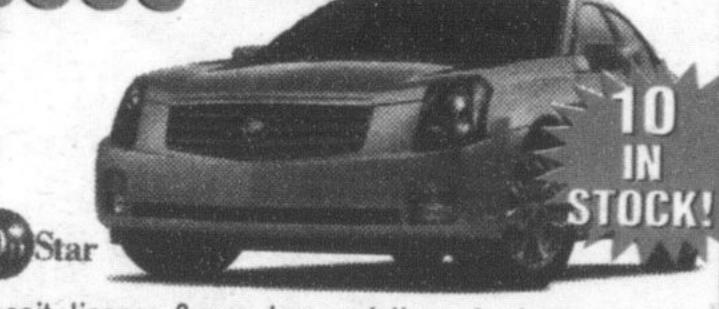


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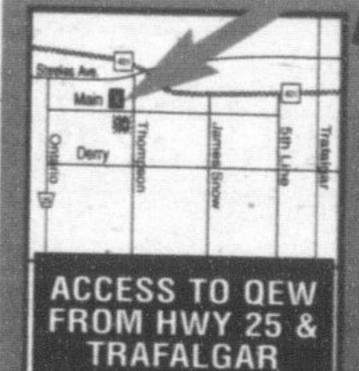


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