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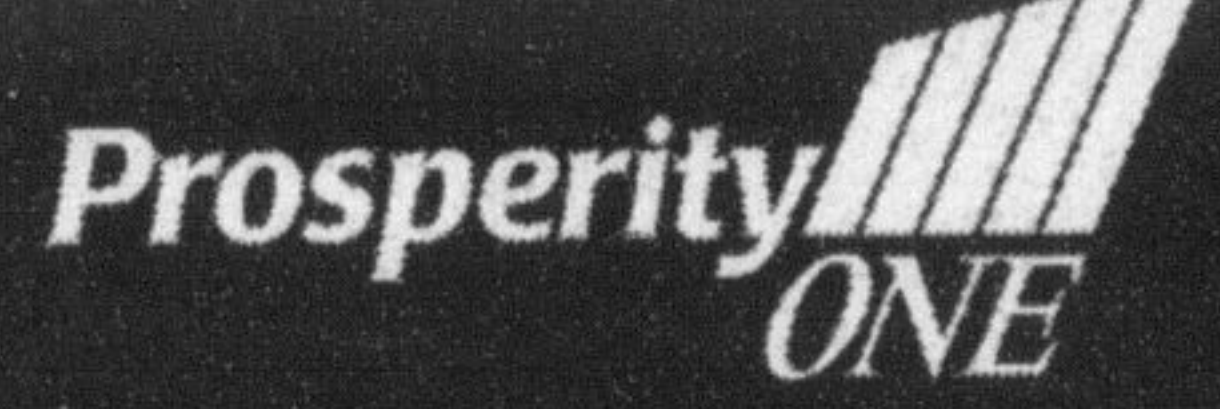
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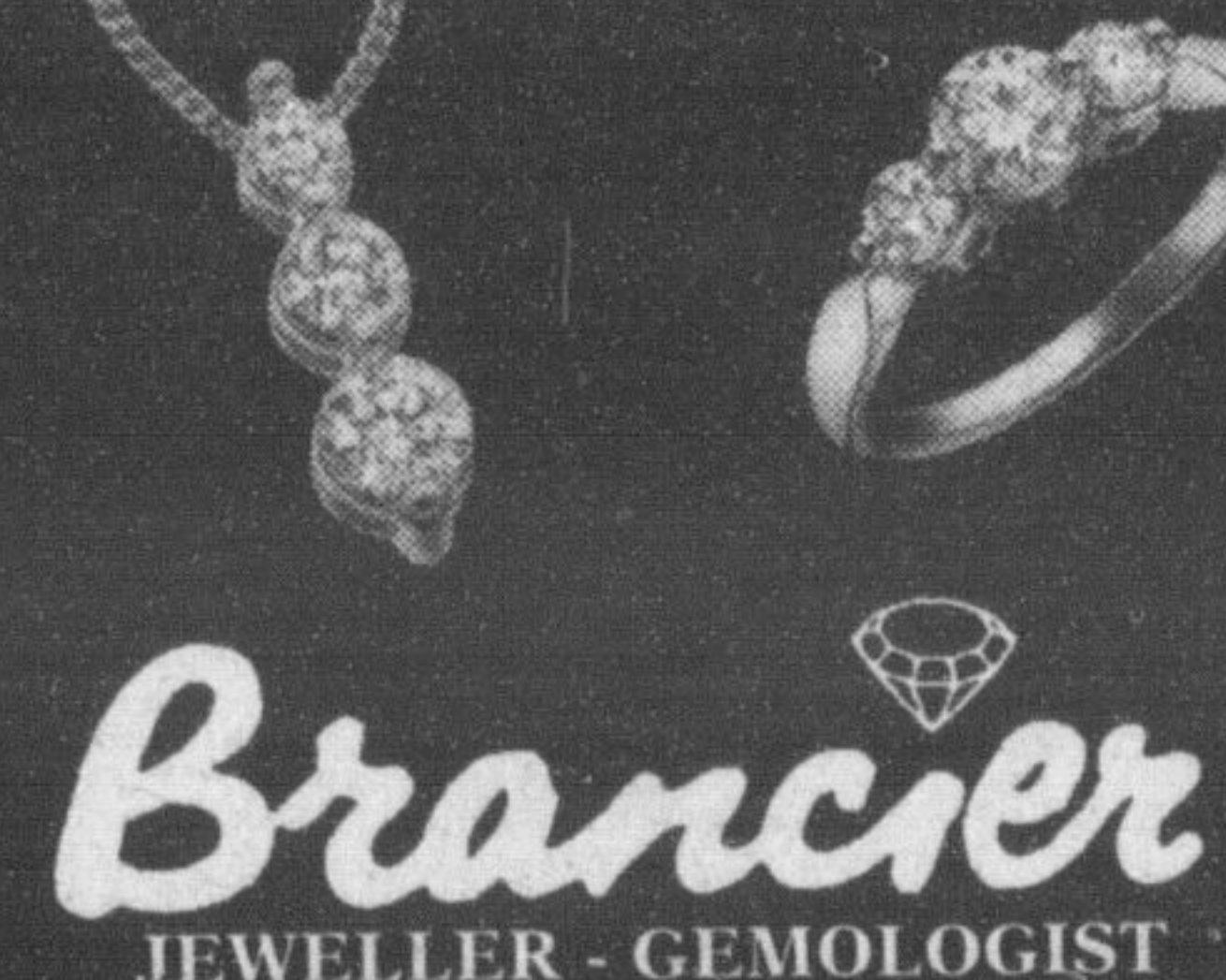


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**MILTON
CHAMBER of COMMERCE**




President's Message

Melissa De Brouwer

I'm often asked by people, "Is the Chamber a good organization to join?" and "Why do you get so involved?" Well, here's the story... I joined the Milton Chamber in 1994 when I first started in the Financial Planning business. I was new to Milton and knew no one, and I was told that the Chamber was a good place to start expanding my non-existent circle of contacts, and hopefully get some business in the process. Almost immediately I joined a Chamber committee because I wanted to get to know people beyond the level of "Hi. How are you?" For fairly obvious reasons, that's important in my business. Well, it worked - beyond my wildest expectations. Not only have I expanded my circle of contacts, but I've also expanded my circle of friends. The latter can be very important, because whether you're a long time business owner, or a new business owner, you probably realize that at some point, your business is not going to go exactly according to plan. When you hit that speed bump, it really helps to have fellow business owners around who know what you're going through, and are able to support you and help you. My personal speed bump happened about 5 years ago, and I don't think I'd be in business today if not for the help and support of the people I had come to know through the Chamber.

Eventually, I was asked to be on the Board of Directors, which I felt would be great because I wanted the "inside scoop" on Milton's growth and expansion. Next came the Vice President's position, and this year President, both of which have been a lot of fun, and a lot less work than you would expect. Being highly involved in the Chamber has helped my business grow, which is why I joined of course. However, it's also helped me to grow as a person. I feel much better informed about the issues that other businesses are facing in town, in the province, and throughout the rest of Canada. Without my involvement, I would be operating in my own little cocoon, blissfully unaware of those issues. I know I can rely on the people that I refer my family, friends, and clients to for the services I don't provide. I have a circle of contacts and friends that just keeps growing in size and depth, which has both financial and emotional rewards. Everyone has different reasons for volunteering with any organization. The Chamber provides a great opportunity for networking, political awareness and advocacy, social interaction, and marketing, just to name a few. If you'd like more out of your membership, I urge you to become involved. I've received much more for my efforts than I ever hoped for.




New Chamber member Rita Post of Vogel Art proudly displays her Winner's Circle Card and token voucher.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

The Milton Chamber of Commerce was invited to participate in a special evening called "Neighbours in Business - Partners in Growth" hosted by Slots at Mohawk Racetrack. Slots opened its doors to members of the Milton and Oakville Chamber and the Mississauga Board of Trade. The event was held on Wednesday, November 5th and over 200 guests enjoyed food, drink, gifts (including slot tokens!) prizes and personal tours of the gaming floor. It was an incredible evening!

The Chamber November Business After Hours will be held at A Country Mile on November 25th from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Get a head start on your Christmas shopping while getting a chance to network with your fellow Chamber members! R.S.V.P. to the Chamber at 905-878-0581.

✓ Art Rivard of Glen Abbey Executive Search Inc., a guest at the event, won the \$1000 jackpot and is congratulated here by Walter Sokil of Slots at Mohawk Racetrack.



UPCOMING CHAMBER EVENTS

November 25th - Business After Hours - A Country Mile of Milton Inc. - Carriage Square - 265 Main St. E. Networking and Shopping - what a great combination!

December 9th - Chamber Annual General Meeting - All Chamber Members in good standing are invited to attend the 2003 Annual General Meeting at the Chamber of Commerce Office, 251 Main Street East.

December 10th - Lunch Box Tour Program - showcasing our Industrial Chamber Members, will be hosted by Roxul Inc. Enjoy a tour, lunch and great networking!

Limited space is available so R.S.V.P. to the Chamber at 905-878-0581. Price for members is \$15.00.



January 20th - Sports Celebrity Dinner & Silent Auction - Meet Wendel Clark, Dennis Hull, Gord Stellick and more! All proceeds go to the Chamber Scholarship Fund - over \$10,000 raised last year! For Sponsorship Opportunities, please contact the Chamber at 905-878-0581.

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