

## New bridge club seeking members

Calling all Miltonians interested in joining a duplicate bridge club.

An opening reception for the newly-formed Milton Duplicate Bridge Club was held last week, but it's not too late to get involved and perhaps develop a new interest.

Duplicate bridge meetings — with open, stratified games — are now held every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. downstairs at Martindale Gardens, 45 Martin St.

Led by director Rick Cuttle, players can earn masterpoints, which are recorded with the American Contract Bridge League (ACBL), he said.

"Duplicate bridge is bridge in which the hand is played several times," explained Mr. Cuttle, who's licensed with the ACBL.

Every Friday at 10:30 a.m. at Martindale Gardens, supervised play is held for beginners and improving players. This is a chance for players to learn the game and discover winning strategies in a relaxed atmosphere.

Players are also able to compare their plays with hands previously played by beginner, intermediate and expert players.

These sessions also include a "toonie lunch."

"The whole idea is to have fun, learn and improve your bridge-playing skills," Mr. Cuttle said, adding, "It's excellent mental exercise."

For more information, e-mail Mr. Cuttle at cuttle@sympatico.ca.

## Renaissance auction

Hear ye, hear ye. Everything from the Ontario Renaissance Festival, which shut its doors in Milton last year, will be auctioned off Sunday.

The public event will be held at the festival grounds at 11 a.m. Items can be previewed tomorrow from noon to 4 p.m. and Sunday starting at 9 a.m.

Things that will be auctioned off include costumes, decorations, souvenirs, a tractor with different attachments, lightly used shop equipment and even the buildings on-site.

Refreshments will be available for purchase. The property is located at 6252 Eighth Line.

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for non-members. For more information, call (905) 875-1681.

The Oakville Osteoporosis Group meets for a **pot luck lunch** at noon at St. Michael's Church, 181 Sewell Dr., in Oakville (off McCraney). Bring a favourite dish plus a plate, cup and cutlery. For more information, call Phyllis Spillone at (905) 829-4863.

### Tuesday June 14

Literacy North Halton holds its **Volunteer Recognition and Annual General Meeting** from 7 to 9 p.m. at Hugh Foster Hall on Brown Street. For more information, call (905) 873-2200 or visit [www.literacynh.org](http://www.literacynh.org). Register by June 10.

**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** meets at 6:15 p.m. at the Milton Seniors' Activity Centre, 500 Childs Dr. This is a non-profit, non-commercial weight-loss support group that provides motivation, support and friendship. A minimal charge applies. For more information, call Nancy Nowak at (905) 878-4025 or visit [www.tops.org](http://www.tops.org).

Improve communication and leadership skills with the **Milton Toastmasters**. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting at the Royal Canadian Legion, 21 Charles St. (upper level), at 7:30 p.m. For information, call Allan Lahue at (905) 877-3441.

**Help for Parents**, a Halton parent support group, meets in the evening in the basement of the church at 5720 New St. in Burlington. This non-denominational self-support group helps parents of children who are in trouble at home, at school or

with the law or who are abusive or taking drugs. The group is a member of the Association of Parent Support Groups in Ontario. For more information, call 1-800-488-5666 or visit [www.apsgo.ca](http://www.apsgo.ca).

**Calling New Parents**, a free program for parents and babies aged 6 months and younger, meets with a public health nurse to discuss parenting and infant care. The group meets at the Ontario Early Years Centre, 917 Nipissing Rd., from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. For more information, call (905) 825-6000, ext. 7299.

Milton District Hospital holds a **breast-feeding clinic** with a certified lactation consultant from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. For more information or to make an appointment, call Jean Gallen at (905) 878-2383, ext. 7030.

The Salvation Army, 100 Nipissing Rd., suite 3, holds a **scrapbooking group** from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Bring along photos and a scrapbook. Basic supplies are provided at no cost. It also holds its **Busy Hands, Creative Minds** group from 9:30 to 11 a.m. with games, crafts, songs and stories for parents and their pre-schoolers. For more information, call (289) 242-1432 or e-mail [debra@khicommunity.com](mailto:debra@khicommunity.com).

**St. John Ambulance** meets from 7 to 9 p.m. at the community centre on Mary Street in Norval. New members are welcome. For more information, call (905) 877-7658.

Wellspring Halton-Peel, a support network for cancer patients and their families, holds its drop-in **Gentle Yoga** program from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at 2545 Sixth Line in Oakville. It holds its **Ovarian Cancer**

**Support Group** from 10:30 a.m. to noon at 2545 Sixth Line in Oakville. And its drop-in **Caregiver Connection** program takes place from 7 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, call (905) 257-1988.

Women who enjoy singing are invited to find out more about **A Cappella Showcase** at its rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Lodge on Regional Road 25, between Britannia and Derry roads. For more information, call Cathy at (905) 278-1222.

The Milton Seniors' Activity Centre, 500 Childs Dr., holds its **Lunch Bunch** meeting at Swiss Chalet, 50 Market Dr., with

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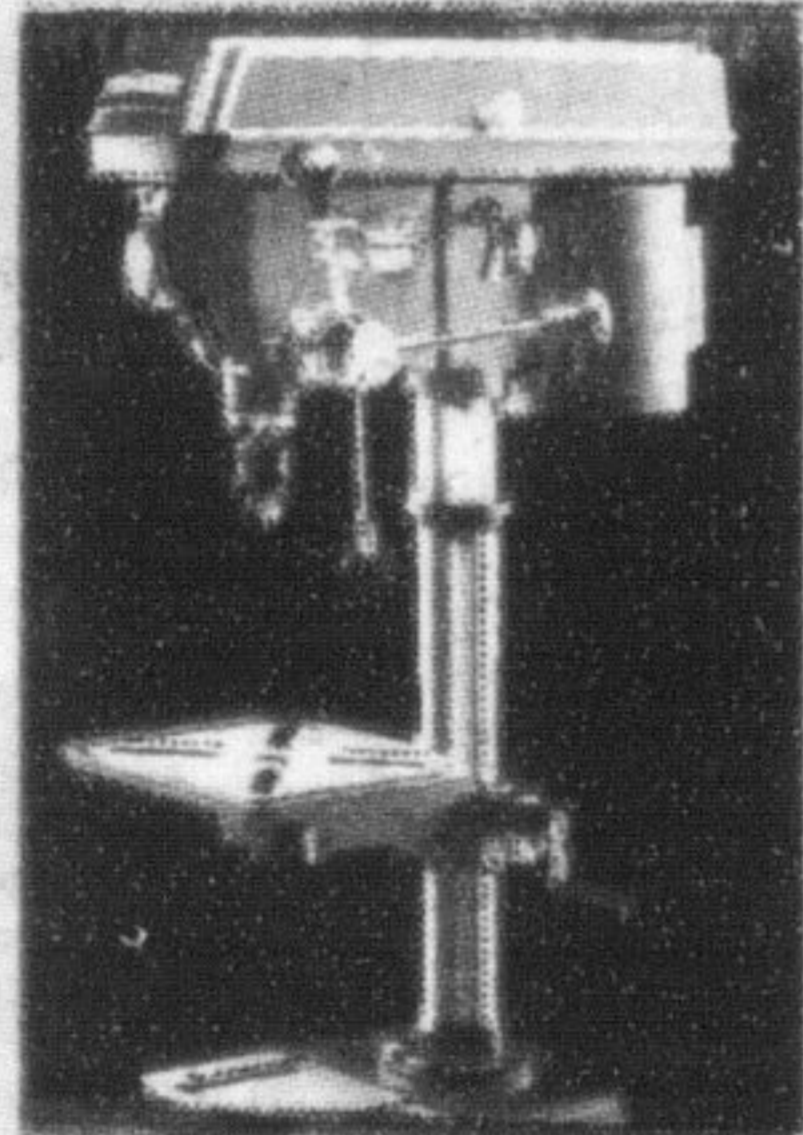
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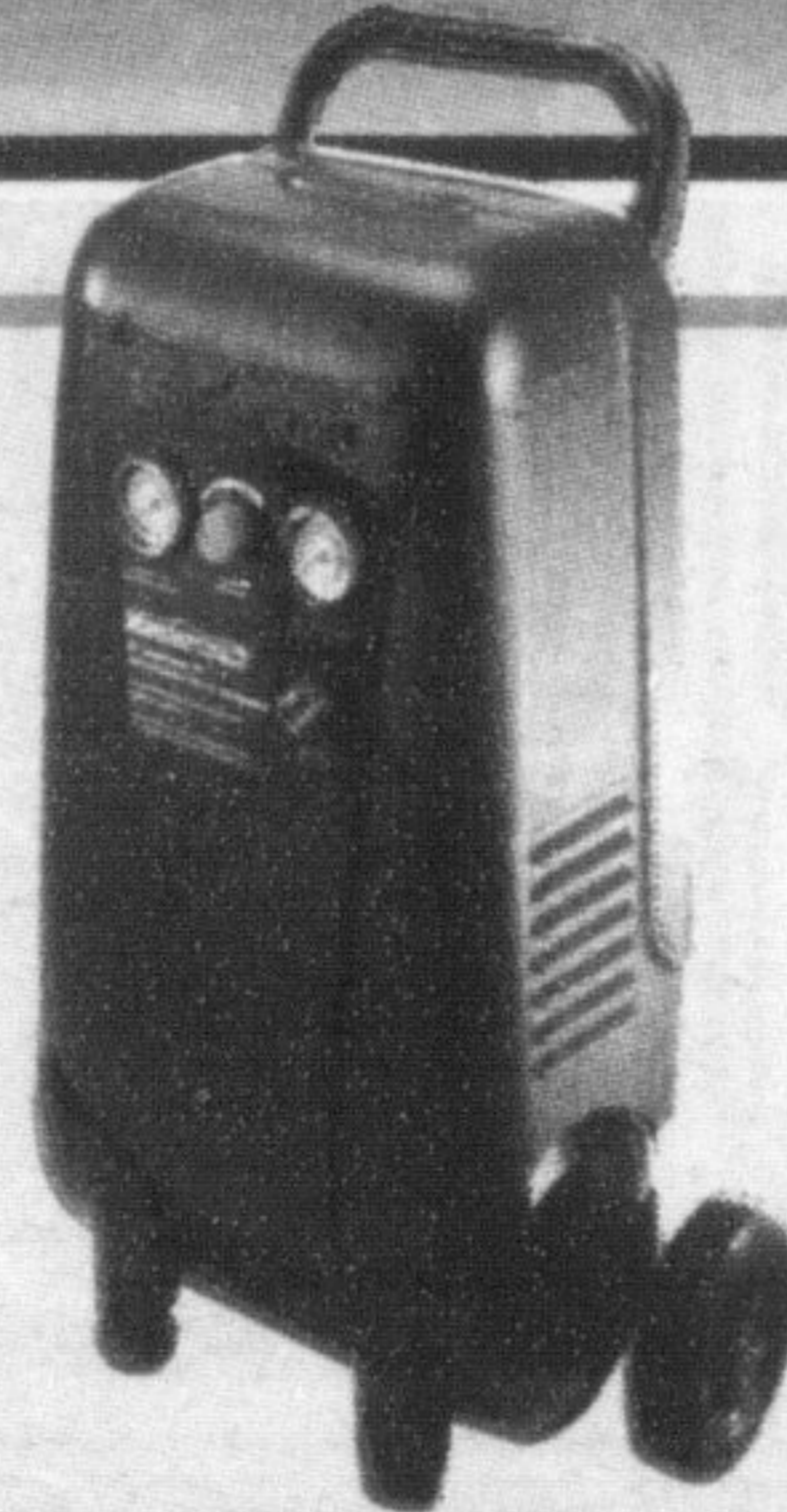
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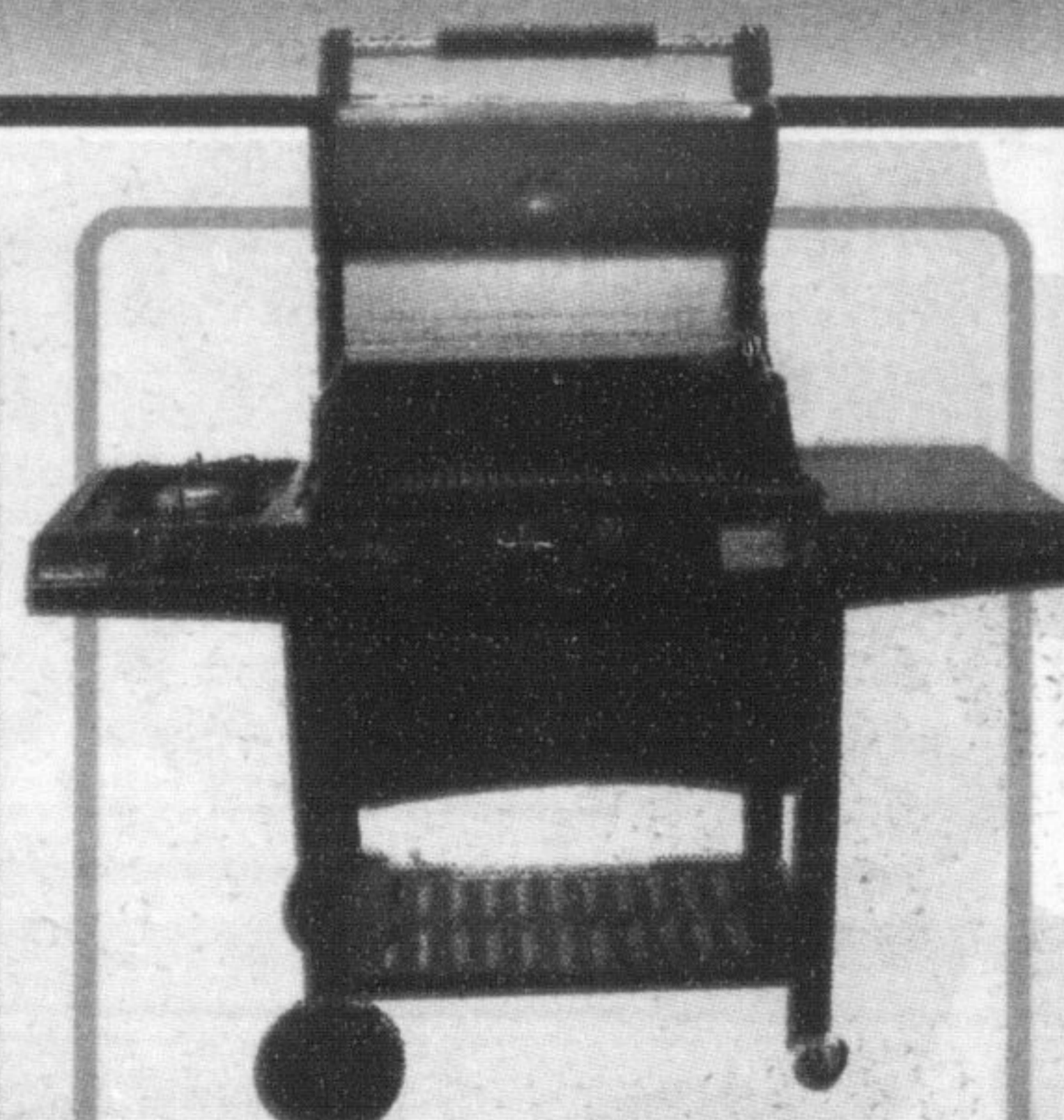
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