

# Milton • Means Business



## Energy saver

The Cool Shops Clean Air Foundation had the local launch of its energy-saving program last week at Troy's Diner. Here (from left), Mayor Gord Krantz, Halton MPP Ted Chudleigh, Milton Hydro President and CEO Don Thorne and Cool Shops Clean Air Foundation program manager Cara Sweeny join Troy's Diner owner Troy Newton in officially kick-starting the initiative, which helps small businesses across Ontario reduce energy consumption, save on utility costs and improve air quality. The program is a joint venture between the Ontario Ministry of Energy, Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Natural Resources Canada and Milton Hydro.

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## Dufferin receives North American award for environmental programs

Dufferin Aggregates is golden — at least when it comes to a North American awards program.

The Milton quarry recently earned the Environmental Eagle Gold Award for Environmental Program from the National Stone, Sand and Gravel Association.

The awards are presented annually to aggregate operations that demonstrate overall environmental excellence and ongoing innovation, environmental results beyond the legislative requirement, the personal commitment of staff and commu-

nity partnerships.

Dufferin Aggregates was one of only five North American sites given a gold rating.

"We're extremely proud of these environments," said Dufferin general manager Bill Galloway. "They show that among our peers across North America, Dufferin Aggregates is leading the way in environmental stewardship programs. The awards recognize the company's approach to the management of land, water and air, as well as our commitment to the communities

where we operate."

Among the local quarry's contributions to the area are the creation of a wetlands and lake system that enhances the Niagara Escarpment, and the construction of a reservoir to help optimize water management on site.

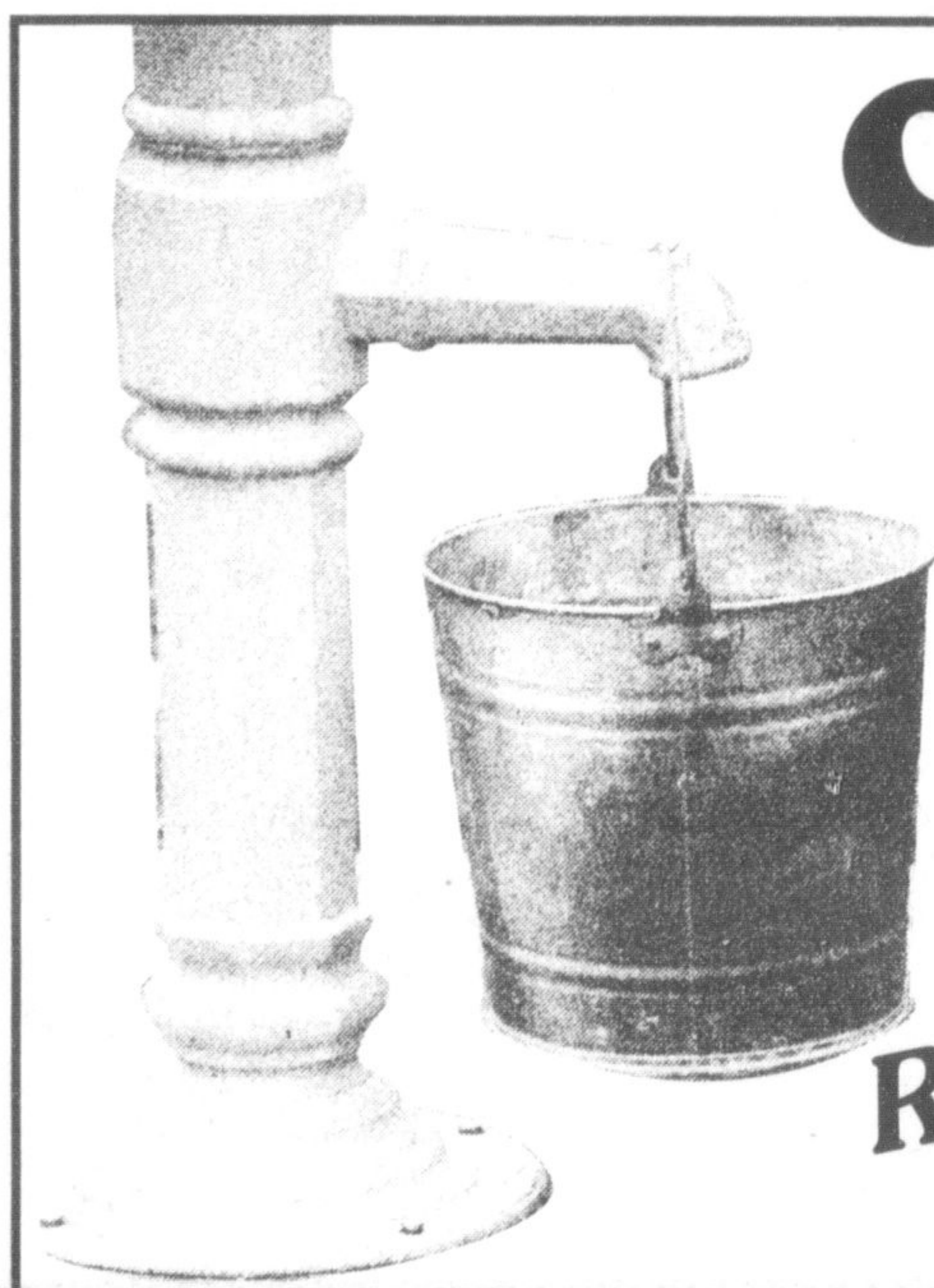
These rehabilitated lands will ultimately become a beneficial water and recreational resource for the community of Halton, along with existing land-sharing partnerships with Scouts Canada and the Bruce Trail Association.

## Business series starting

Business owners looking to learn real-world strategies will want to keep Wednesday mornings free for the next little while. That's when Halton Region's Business Excellence Series runs at the Hilton Garden Inn in Burlington, starting October 19.

Put on by the Halton Region Business Development Centre, the nine-week program — featuring human resources executive Eldon Elgie, seasoned CEO Mike Cooke and international business management expert Paul Kuttner — will begin with Employee Engagement: Resource on Proven Approaches. Future sessions will focus on such aspects of business as fostering incentive for results, performance management and launching a new product.

Limited to 25 participants, each session costs \$30 per person. Those interested in signing up can do so by calling (905) 825-6000, ext. 7900 or visiting [www.haltonbusiness.com](http://www.haltonbusiness.com).



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