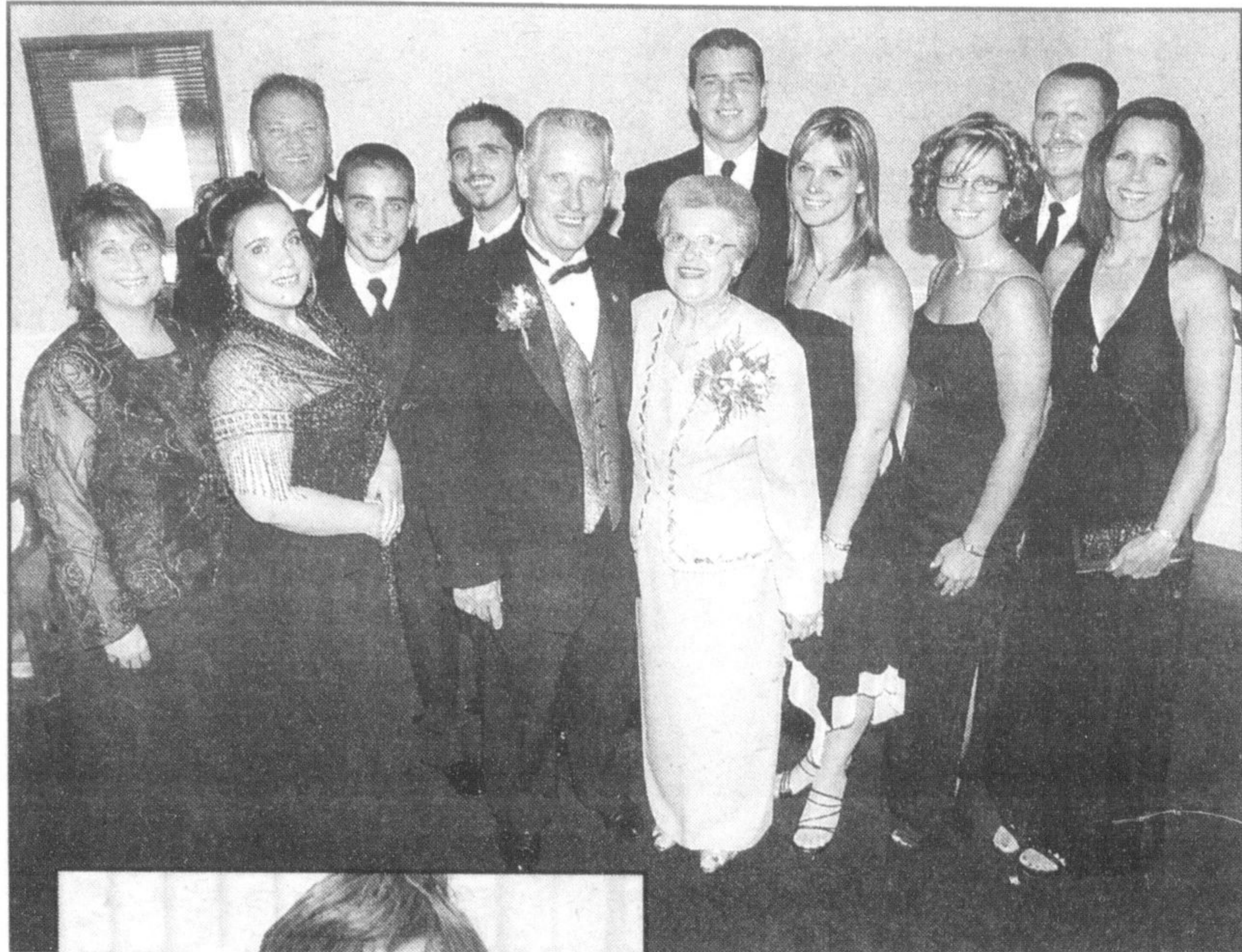


Year in review

# 2005 rich in local news — both good and bad



Above, Gord Krantz is joined by family members during a celebration to mark his 25th anniversary as Milton mayor. At left, young disabled hockey player Gregory Sanderson is all smiles after enjoying overwhelming support from community groups and individuals alike when his equipment was stolen outside his apartment.



The past 12 months have held no shortage of controversy, change and unusual circumstance for local residents. In short, it was another news-rich year for Milton.

Here, in no particular order, are the events that made the biggest headlines.

### Silver anniversary for mayor

Surrounded by friends, family and well-wishers, Gord Krantz celebrated his 25th year as Milton's mayor at an evening ceremony at Rattlesnake Point Golf Club. Highlighting the night were a video presentation from Prime Minister Paul Martin and a tribute from Mississauga Mayor Hazel McCallion — who as Canada's longest-serving mayor has been in office just two years longer than Mr. Krantz.

### Grass fires cause chaos

A combination of high temperatures, bone-dry grass and a train barreling down the tracks sparked a string of morning fires from Mississauga to Campbellville. Traffic on Hwy. 401 came to a standstill from Trafalgar Road to Guelph Line, while firefighters were enlisted from several surrounding communities to help the local department battle the series of blazes that stretched for more than 30 km.

### Overwhelming generosity

Miltonians proved once again in 2005 that there's just no limit to their generous spirit. In addition to raising tens of thousands of dollars for hurricane relief efforts around the world and coming through to restock depleted food bank shelves in August, local residents showed a huge outpouring of support for dis-

abled young hockey player Gregory Sanderson — who had his hockey equipment stolen earlier this month. Not only did the teen get his gear back, he received several cash and sports-related donations from groups and individuals — just in time for Christmas.

### E. coli settlement reached

It was ruled that the 85 E.C. Drury High School students who contracted E. coli at their 2003 prom would be part of a group to receive a collective \$1 million from a class action lawsuit against Mississauga's Trillium Banquet Hall. Under the settlement, former students — and anybody who attended events at the hall between June 25 and 29, 2003 — who contracted E. coli would receive between \$500 and \$5,000, depending on how long they experienced symptoms.

### Tragic tale continues

Both the ex-wife and young accomplice of murderer Douglas Moore received six-month jail sentences for their part in the November 2003 slaying of two young men — including Milton's Giuseppe 'Joseph' Manchisi. Father Joe Manchisi, who's still determined to find his deceased son's remains, was particularly outraged by the boy's verdict and was offended when he appealed the decision in the hopes of an early release. The appeal was recently denied.

### Dufferin expansion approved

An 83-hectre expansion of Dufferin Aggregates' Milton quarry was approved, bringing to an end a 72-day public meeting — jointly overseen by the Ontario

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## Big Ideas. Infinite possibilities.

### The Bay Area Science and Engineering Fair (BASEF)

presents Science Success! Workshops on:

### How to start and complete a science fair project

Wednesday, January 18, 2006, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm  
M.M. Robinson High School  
2425 Upper Middle Road, Burlington, Ontario, L7P 3N9

or

Wednesday, January 25, 2006, 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm  
Burlington Central High School  
1433 Baldwin Street, Burlington, Ontario, L7S 1K4

The workshops are suitable for students, parents, adult mentors and teachers interested in learning how to use the **free** Science Success! resource materials to start and complete a science fair project. The financial and academic benefits of science fair participation will be addressed.



### Get in touch with the scientist in you.

Workshop registration is free but spaces may be limited.



Visit [www.basef.ca](http://www.basef.ca) to register for a workshop.

All students in grades 7-12 from Halton, Hamilton, Brant, Haldimand and Norfolk are eligible to participate in BASEF 2006, to be held at Mohawk College, March 29 - April 1, 2006.

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