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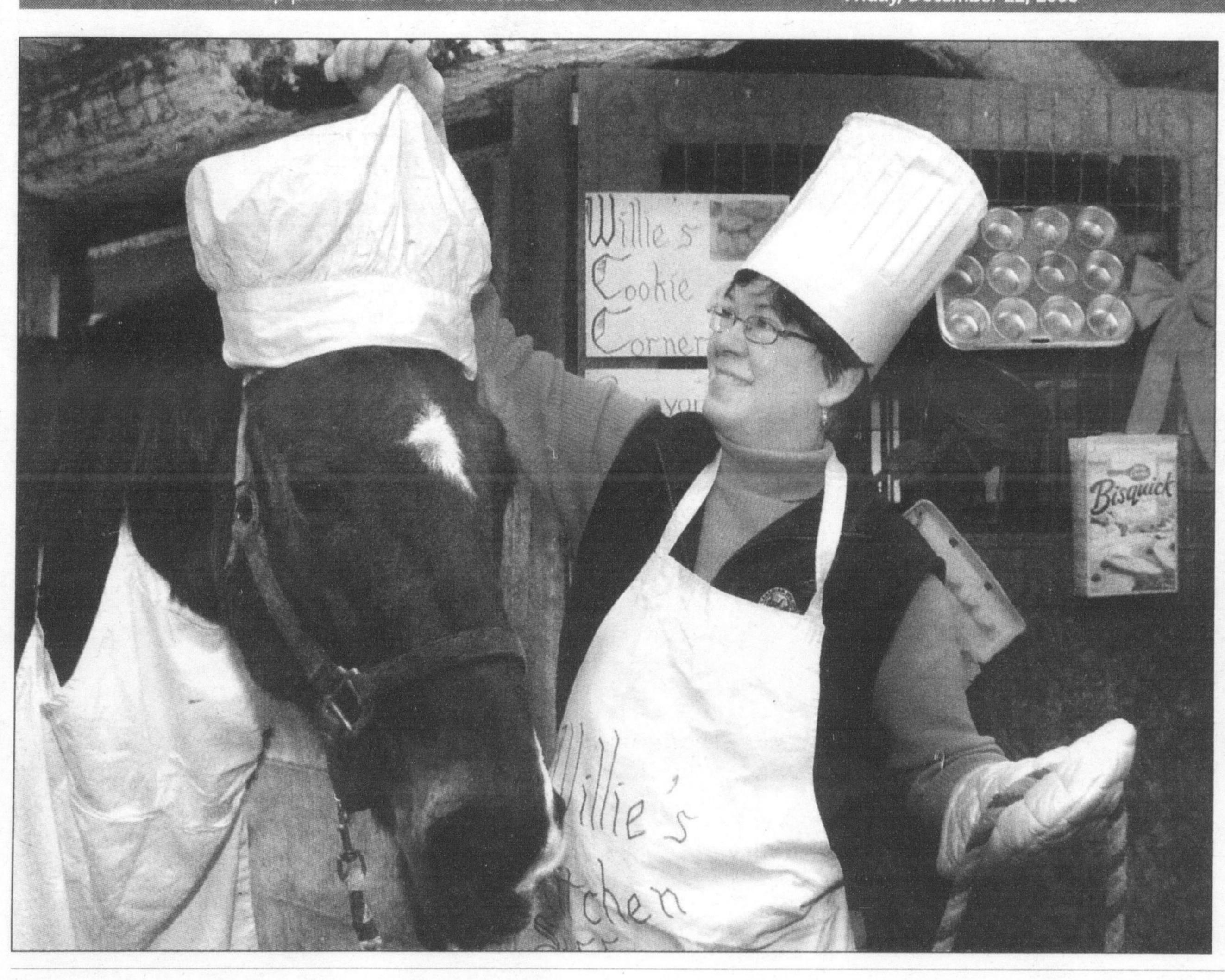
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HORSING AROUND: At left, Heather Park dresses 'Willie', a 20-year-old horse, in his chef's outfit as part of the annual open house at Windrush Stables, a therapeutic equitation centre. Willie's bakery-themed stall came complete with all the ingredients to make 'horse d'oeuvres'. Above, volunteer Bailey Harris, 11, offers miniature donkey 'PJ' some holiday treats.

## Million dollar couple

## Lottery win just what the doctor ordered

By Stephanie Thiessen CANADIAN CHAMPION STAFF

Money might not be able to buy happiness, but it sure can lighten the load — a lot — after a particularly difficult couple of years.

Such is the case for Miltonians Liz and Keith Cartwright, who won the \$1 million jackpot playing Encore.

Last year, Keith had a heart attack with complications. He was out of work until early this year, creating financial hardships for the couple on top of their worries about his health.

"This'll make up for a crummy year," Liz said from the Ontario Lottery and Gaming prize centre Monday,

where they were picking up their win-, nings.

Keith purchased the winning Encore ticket last week at Mac's on Wilson Drive. The draw took place last Friday.

Liz said she was in disbelief when Keith showed her the matching num-

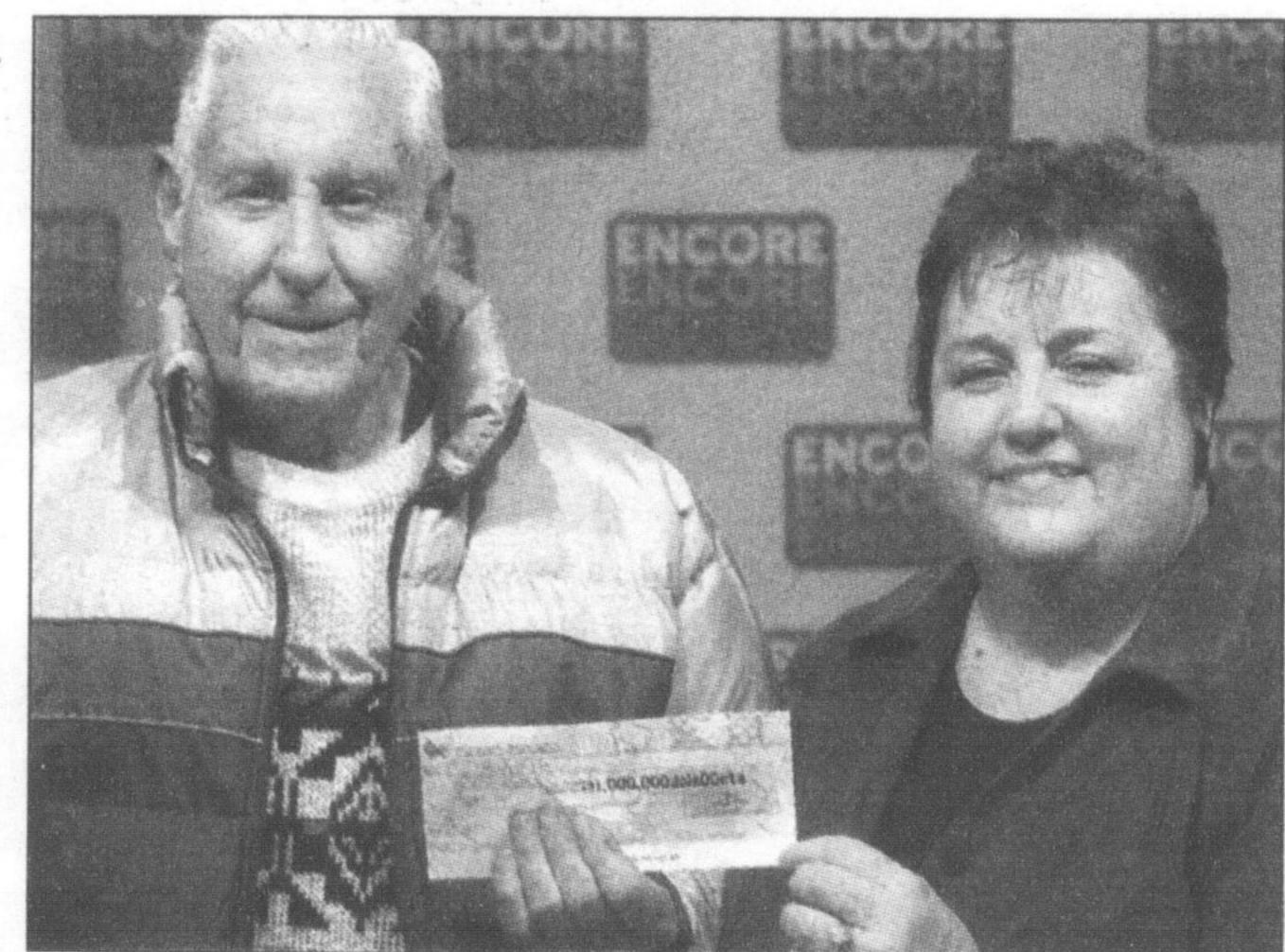
"He's made mistakes before. I was annoyed," she said.

But after realizing they really had won, Liz said she started to cry.

"It's a very strange experience. I think it's only starting to get me now," she said.

The couple insists the windfall won't have a huge impact on their lifestyle.

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Liz and Keith Cartwright have had a difficult year, but things are certainly looking up now that they've won \$1 million.

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