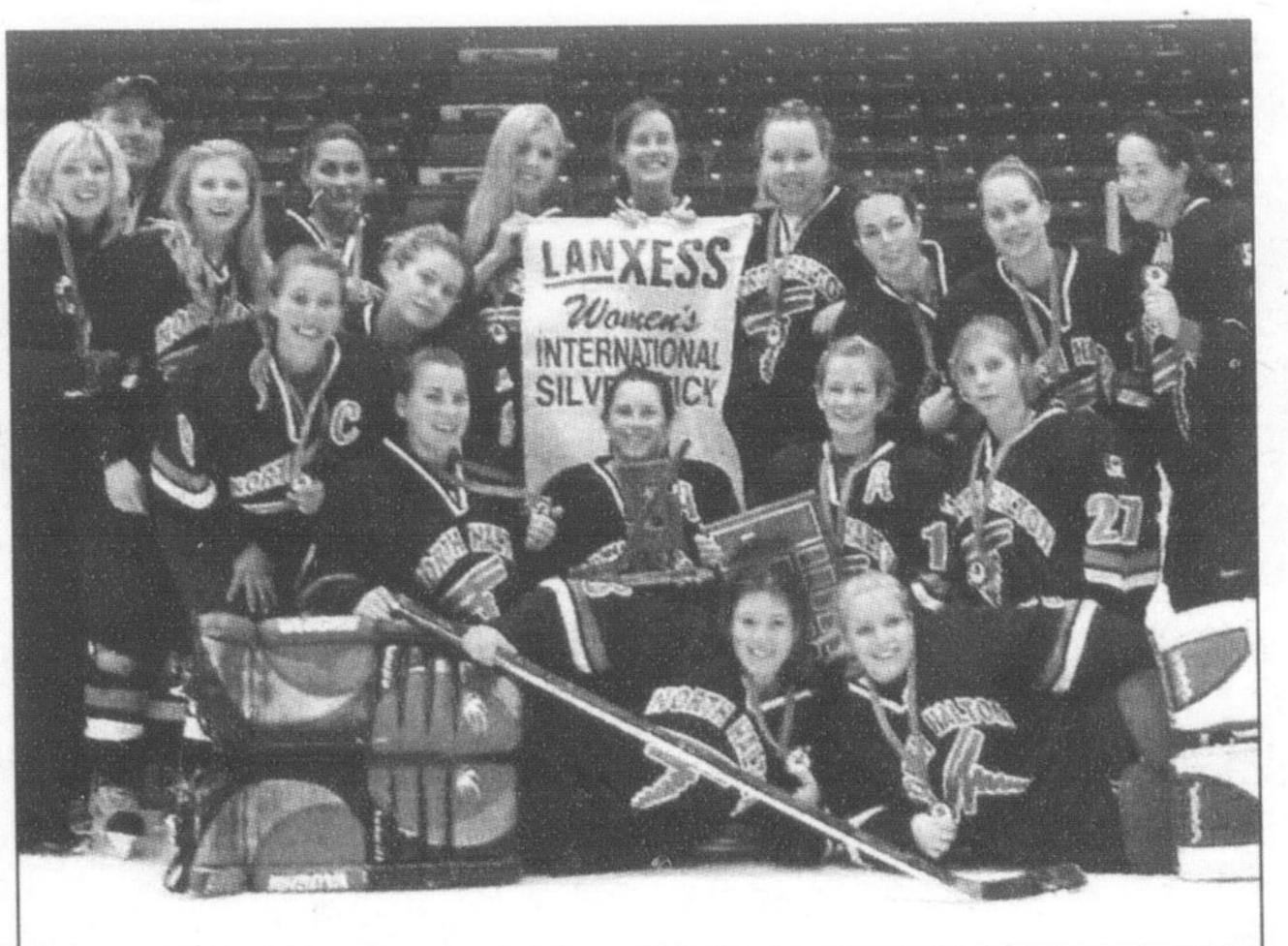


Locals fuel Silver Stick win

Loeprich nets lone goal in final to cement Twisters' triumph



GOLDEN GIRLS: The Twisters celebrate their Silver Stick title win in Sarnia.

Samantha Loeprich wasn't content with her Twisters merely reaching the International Silver Stick championship.

Having delivered a huge insurance marker earlier in the day to cement a 3-1 semifinal win against Woodstock—and put her North Halton BB midgets on the doorstep to gold—the rookie forward still had a little clutch production left in her for the weekend finale.

It turned out to be all the local squad would need, as Loeprich's top-shelf deposit midway through the second period — the end result of a broken play and impressive foot race past an opposing defender — gave the Twisters a 1-0 decision over Cobourg Sunday afternoon.

This marked the first Silver Stick title in the 10-year history of the organization.

The golden goal was the fourth point of the weekend for Loeprich, one of four Milton-area players on the championship team — which with the win will take its place within the Hockey Hall of Fame's Silver Stick exhibit.

Great team effort

"In each game, it seemed like someone else stepped forward and contributed something," said head coach Paul Morrow, whose Twisters head into league and provincial playdowns this weekend sporting an amazing 46-4-2 record — which has earned them the regular-season league championship and tournament triumphs in Clarington, Orillia, Pembroke and at home. "It was a true all-around team effort."

North Halton won six straight games en route to overall victory last weekend, and gave up a measly three goals. That was due in no small part to some suffocating defence by Brooke Hartwick, who also aided offensive efforts with a pair of assists — the last of which came in a 3-0 quarterfinal whitewash of Flamborough.

Fellow Miltonians Robyn McColl and Michelle Serafini made valuable contributions as well. McColl got the Twisters off to a strong start with a hattrick in round one's 4-1 decision over Hamilton, while Serafini — a co-captain — not only provided leadership but a goal and an assist in a 2-1 squeaker over Clearview to wrap up the preliminary round.

Loeprich finished with two goals and two assists, while she, Hartwick and McColl all secured game MVP honours. The local foursome figured in more than half of North Halton's overall production, collectively scoring six times and adding five helpers.

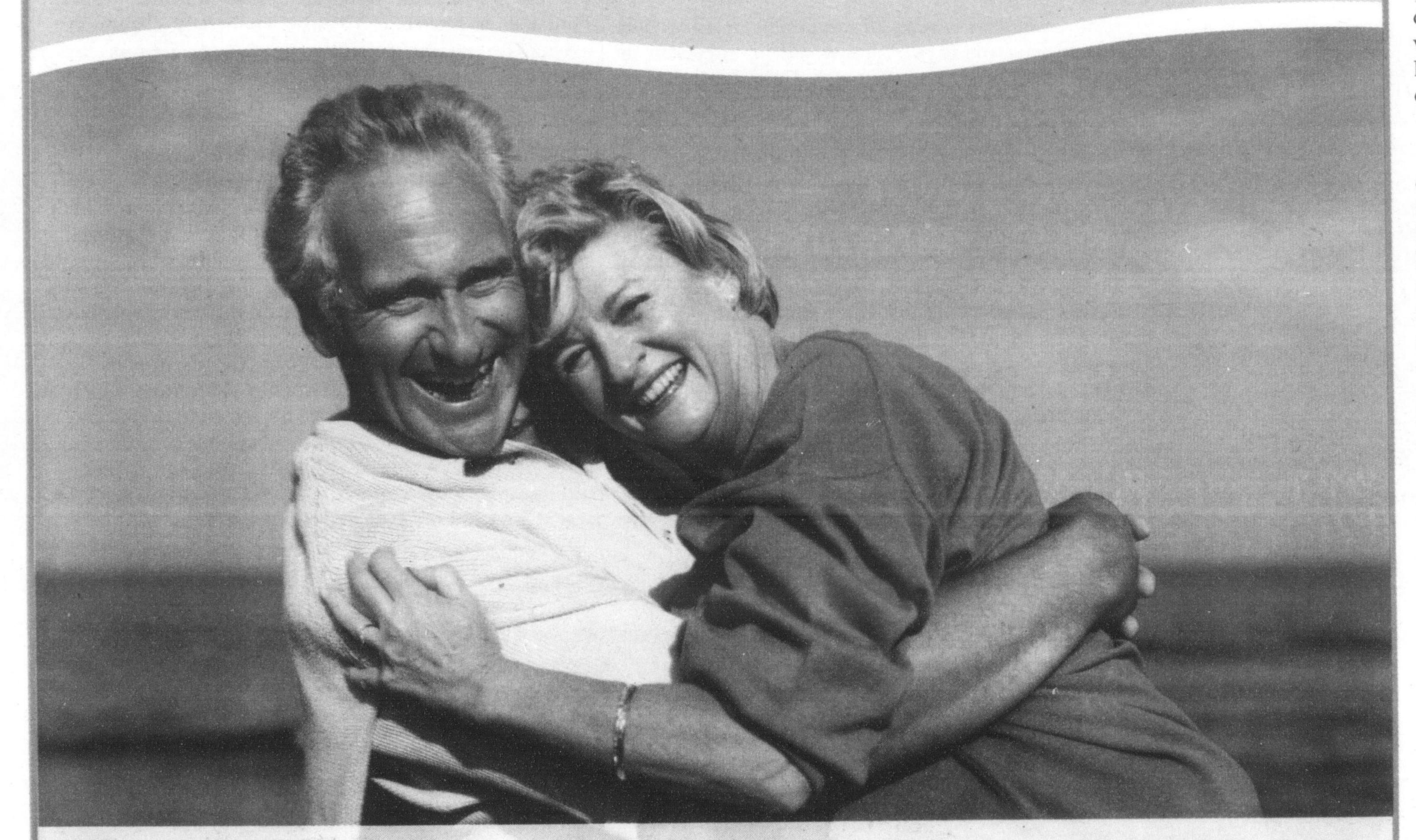
Football sign-up

The Halton Hills Minor Football Association will be holding registration for its 2007 season tomorrow and Sunday at Milton Mall.

Players 10 to 17 years of age are eligible to sign up, with peewee (14-15) and junior varsity (16-17) players competing in the Ontario Minor Football League, and the younger players part of an atom house-league team.

The cost for peewee and junior varsity is \$360 per player, and \$320 for the atoms.

WARTED: 30 PEOPLE WITH HEARING LOSS



DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY ON FEBRUARY 12, 13, 14&15!

30 People Who Have Difficulty Hearing, Especially in Noisy Situations, To Evaluate New Digital Noise Reduction Hearing Aids, RISK-FREE!

Specialists from the HearSay Speech & Hearing Centre will perform Hearing Screenings AT NO CHARGE for the first 30 qualified callers to determine if they are a candidate for this program. Applicants that are selected will be asked to evaluate the latest Hearing Aid Technology for 60 days. Participants will receive tremendous savings, due to their participation. However, if you feel the hearing aid(s) did not improve your hearing, simply return for a full refund.



311 Commercial St., Suite 109 Milton, ON. L9T 3Z9

Those interested need to call for more information or an appointment

905.875.3345