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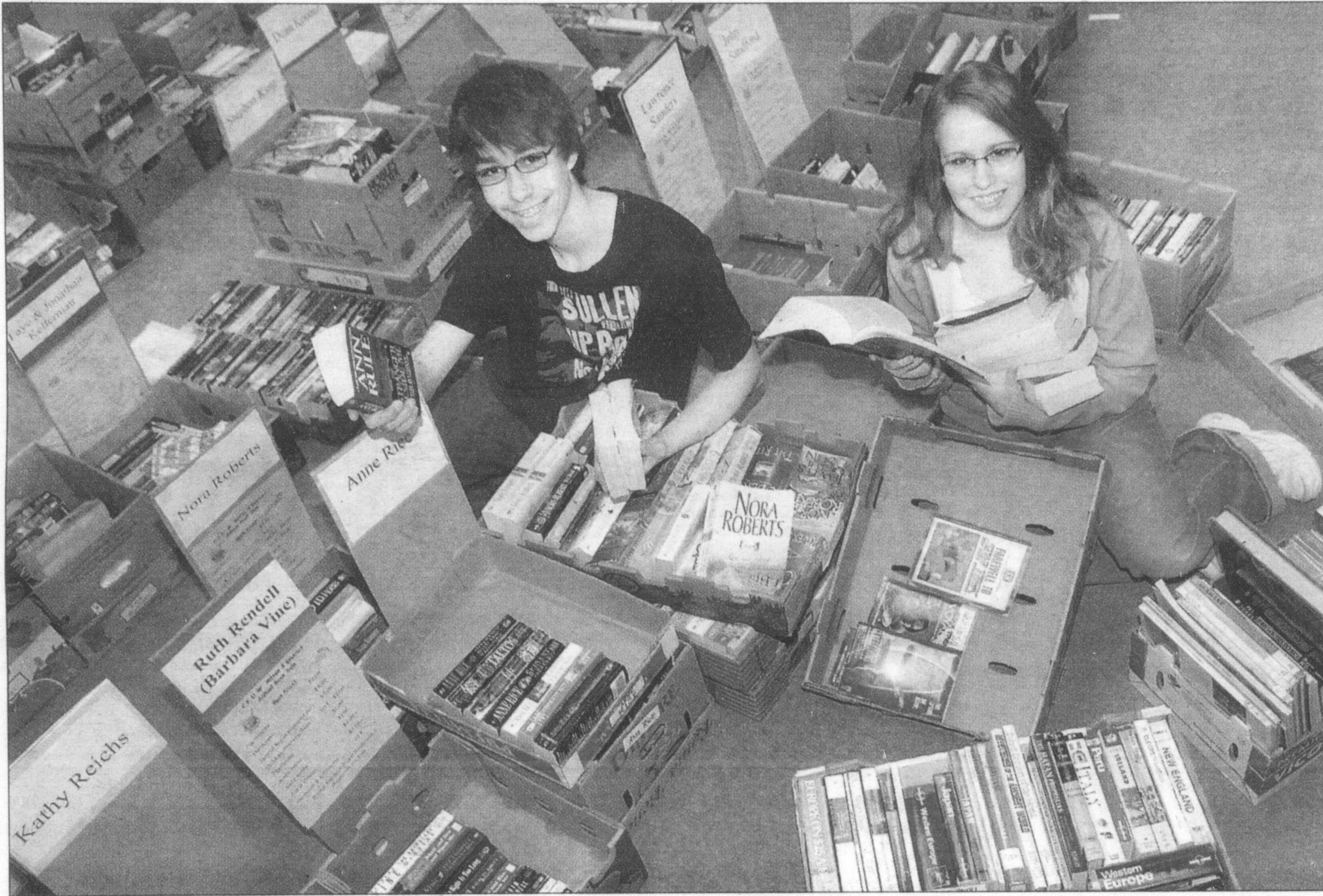
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GETTING ORGANIZED: Jeff Gumbrell and sister Katie, both Grade 9 students at Milton District High School, help sort books for the annual Canadian Federation of University Women book sale taking place at Milton Mall this Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The sale, now in its 34th year, features books, CDs, DVDs and videos. Funds raised support student scholarships.

Hydro One eyes \$600-million expansion

Hydro One will soon seek the approvals necessary to construct a new 500-kilovolt transmission line between the Bruce power facility and its Milton switching station, the company announced yesterday.

The news followed an announcement earlier in the day in which the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) confirmed its preferred option and route for the new line to increase the province's transmission capacity and allow for greater access to renewable energy and nuclear power from Bruce Region.

The \$600-million undertaking — the largest expansion to Ontario's transmission system in 20 years — will see the line built adjacent to an existing transmission line from Bruce Region to Milton, spanning about 180 km. As such, Hydro One is proposing to widen the existing corridor and construct the new line along the north and east side to avoid the need to establish a new right-of-way.

The company reports that rights to an additional 53 to 61 metres of land adjacent to the corridor will be required. Hydro One will have

to obtain additional easement rights and, in a limited number of cases, purchase properties.

A diagram on Hydro One's Web site shows the line cutting across properties in Halton Hills to reach the switching station near the Milton/Halton Hills border.

"We are sensitive to concerns of property owners, Aboriginal communities, local municipalities and stakeholders impacted by the project and will work to ensure that we manage their concerns in a manner that is fair and

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School uniform challenge

Parent information evening postponed

By Tim Whitnell
SPECIAL TO THE CHAMPION

A legal challenge of a controversial school uniform pilot project is coming from within the Halton Catholic District School Board, alleges the chair of a local school council.

Jane Michael, a vocal proponent of the project, which would see students of Milton's Guardian Angels elementary school and Burlington's St. Gabriel elementary school wear uniforms starting this fall, alleges board Chair Al Bailey is behind the challenge.

News of the challenge came early
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