

DaSilva backstops minor peewee 'Canes to bronze

Holds Quinte at bay in OMHA championships

Fueled by a golden performance from Jason DaSilva, the minor peewee AAA Hurricanes' efforts at this past weekend's OMHA championships were good enough to bronze.

One of four Milton-area players on this year's team, the local puckstopper gave up just four goals in three games in York-Simcoe, and held the Quinte Red Devils to a single deposit in back-to-back 2-1 victories - the latter coming with the bronze medal on the line Sunday morning.

With two game MVP honours under his belt, DaSilva hung tough throughout the battle for third and was instrumental in killing off a late penalty to cement the win for Halton.

His best efforts, however, were reserved for the initial clash with Quinte Saturday afternoon, when he weathered a seemingly-endless third-

period storm to give the Hurricanes their only victory of a 1-1-2 round-robin campaign. "They held us captive in our own end in the third and Jason just stood on his head," said manager Dave Stark. "He was making saves left, right and centre. We still don't know how he did it."



Hurricanes coach Gary Abraham joins Milton players (from left) Jason DaSilva, Ryan Stark, Tyler Ganly and Bryce Abraham in celebrating with their bronze medals.

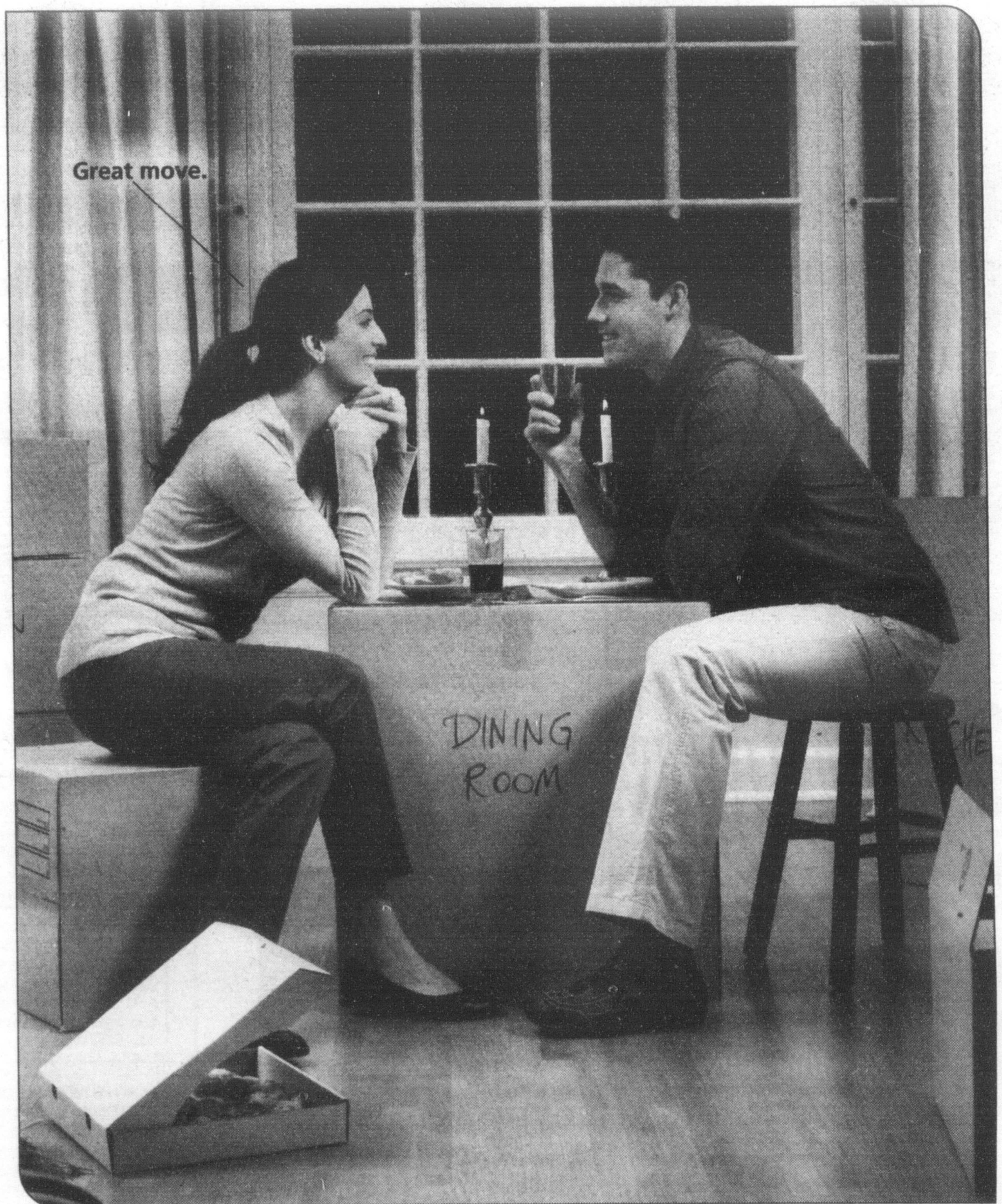
DaSilva was also between the pipes for Friday's 2-2 stalemate with eventual silver medalist Oakville, a showdown in which fellow Miltonian Bryce Abraham assisted on a tying goal in the third-period. A few hours earlier he buried a late equalizer him-

self in a 4-4 draw with host and soon-to-be champion York-Simcoe, who edged Oakville 3-2 for gold.

Oddly enough, the Hurricanes' only loss of the tournament - a 6-4 defeat - came against the Barrie Colts, who finished last among the five teams at 1-3.

Milton blueline partners Tyler Ganly and Ryan Stark provided solid defence throughout the weekend, particularly against Quinte.

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