

# BUSINESS



## Students get financial boost from Royal Bank

A \$30,000 donation has been made to support Halton high school students in need.

A cheque was presented recently by the RBC Foundation to the Halton Learning Foundation's Eliminating Barriers Fund.

This donation marks the start of the RBC Royal Bank Bursary Fund.

Even in a community as wealthy as Halton, there are youths living with poverty every day. As a result, many children are unable to take advantage of the variety of learning opportunities

that's out there.

"Supporting education and keeping youth in school is one of RBC's top priorities," said Kim Mason, RBC's regional vice-president for Halton. "Education is an investment not only in our youth, but in the future of our communities."

Gerry Purcell, board chair of the Halton Learning Foundation, thanked RBC for taking a "leadership role" in helping eliminate barriers to success that students face.

**HELPING HAND:** From left, Superintendent of Education Yaw O'beng and Gerry Purcell of the Halton Learning Foundation accept a cheque for \$30,000 from Royal Bank of Canada VP of Commercial Banking Gord Fielding.

## Awards pile up for Dufferin Aggregates

Dufferin Aggregates recently received a truckload of industry and international awards, many of them for its Milton quarry.

The aggregate producer took home bronze Environmental Eagle Awards from the National Stone, Sand and Gravel Association (NSSGA) for eight of its sites — including Milton — for its achievements in environmental stewardship.

It also received certificates of achievement in the community relations category for its activities that enhance the public perception of the aggregate industry in general and the public

image of its own operation. The certificates recognized its education program and Earth Week celebrations.

"Recognition by NSSGA is a significant achievement," said Bill Galloway, Dufferin's general manager. "Dufferin is one of only two Canadian companies to receive awards this year. This recognition helps to set Dufferin apart from others within the industry."

Dufferin also received a Progressive Rehabilitation Award and Community Relations Award from the Ontario Stone, Sand and Gravel

Association for the Milton quarry.

"We are extremely proud of our staff and the work they do to ensure that Dufferin leads the industry in various categories," said Andrea Bourrie, Dufferin property and resource manager. "These awards are a symbol of our on-going commitment to more than supplying high-quality aggregate. We are cognizant of our responsibility to the environment, to the communities in which we operate and to our partners and stakeholders, and strive to make a difference in each area every year."

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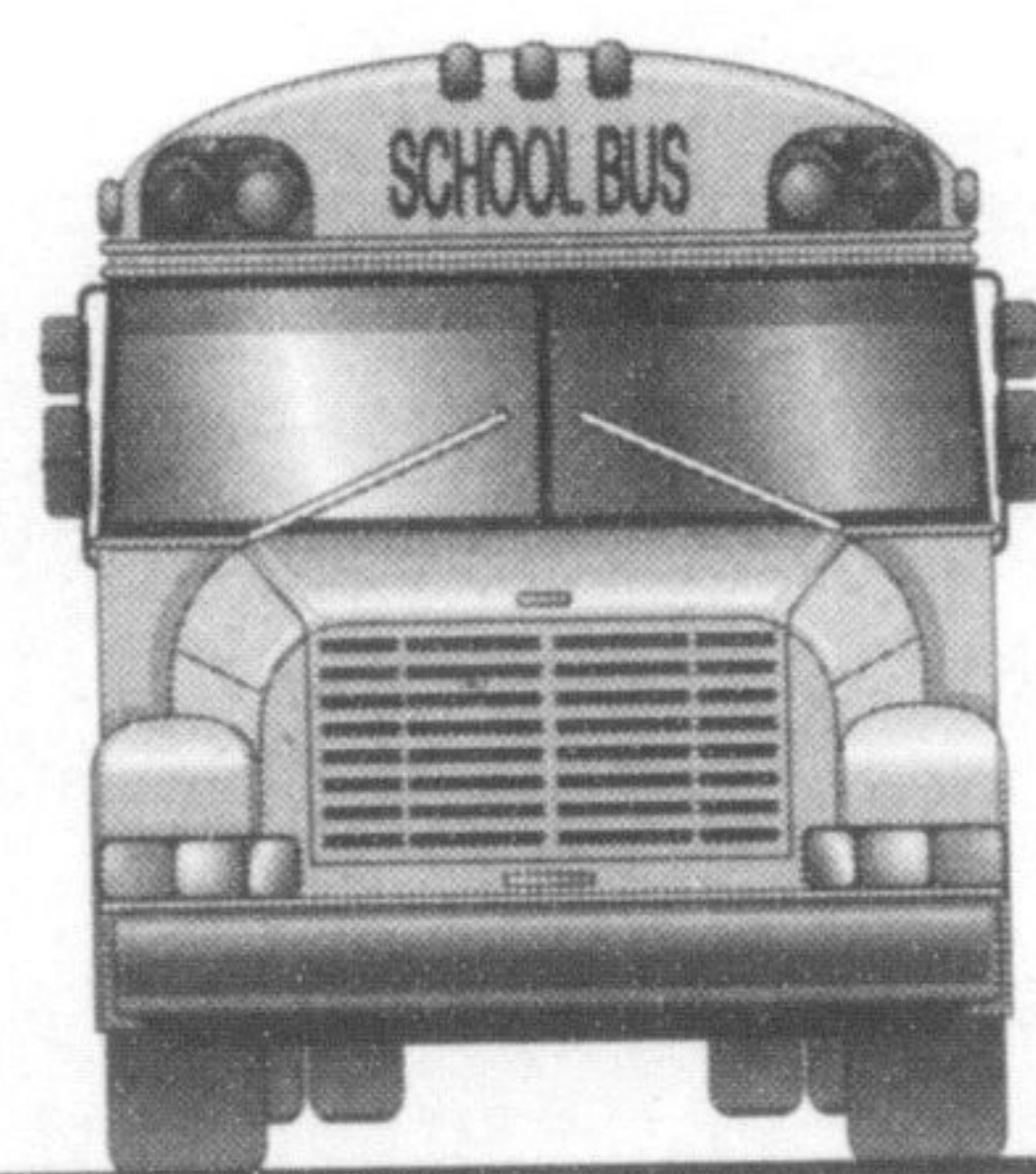
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## Milton winery savours success

It's a tale of the little winery that could. At the recent 2007 Toronto Wine and Cheese Show put on by the Toronto Star, Milton's own Scotch Block Winery — located out of Andrews' Scenic Acres on No. 10 Sideroad — hauled home 11 medals.

"This little winery in Milton cleaned up at this world competition," said Bert Andrews of Scotch Block.

Competing against wineries from around the world, Scotch Block won three Best of Show awards in the dry fruit wine and sweet fruit wine categories for its Regal Black Currant, Cassis Black Currant and Framboise wines. Awards were also won for its Black Currant Truffle, Blueberry Bouquet, Raspberry Truffle, Blueberry Truffle and Raspberry Rouge wines.



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