



SNOW MUCH SNOW: Town of Milton Roads Supervisor Bill Levitt measures a pile of snow while plow operator Chris Tonner stands in the background. February was a record-setting month for snow, with 80 cm blanketing the area — breaking the long-standing record set in the 1950s.

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Cops hoping YouTube video helps in murder investigation

Halton police have released a re-enactment of the unsolved murder of a Milton businessman in hopes of generating leads.

On February 21, 2007, Dublin Line resident Ray Venerus, 55, was found shot to death at the side of the road near his house.

Just over a year later, Halton Regional Police, together with Crime Stoppers, have released a re-enactment of the homicide on YouTube.

This marks the first time Halton police have utilized the popular video-sharing medium. They hope it'll renew public interest in the investigation, a

police press release stated.

The video can be viewed on YouTube by searching for "Venerus homicide."

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Homicide Unit at (905) 825-4777, ext. 5140 or by calling Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

Cocaine case back to court Thursday

The case of a suspect in Halton's largest ever cocaine bust will return to court this week.

Brampton resident Avtar Sandhu, 39, was charged with possession of cocaine for the purpose of trafficking after his truck was pulled over in February, 2007 at James Snow Parkway and Hwy. 401. It's alleged more than 200 kg of cocaine

with a street value of up to \$20 million was discovered inside.

He'll make his next court appearance this Thursday at Ontario Court of Justice in Oakville.

The return date was set February 5 in Milton. Sandhu has been released on bail, with his wife and brother acting as sureties.

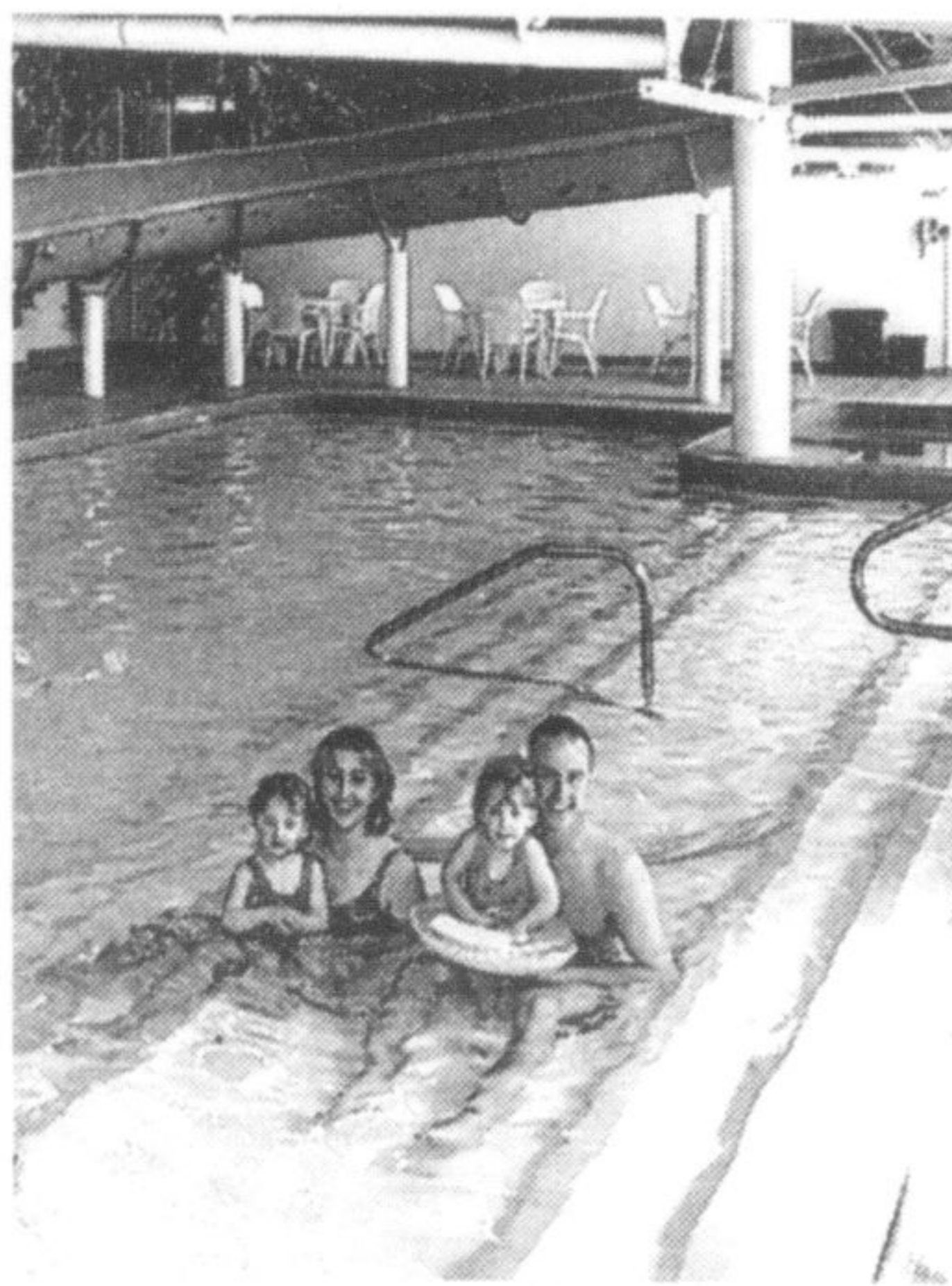
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