

# Man charged in break-ins

Police have charged a man in connection with a slew of nighttime break-ins that occurred while homeowners slept.

A total of 14 homes — four in Milton and 10 in Oakville — were entered last month and into July. Some of the homes had been left unlocked, police said.

Valuables targeted included cam-

eras, laptop computers and purses.

Police are warning residents to lock all their doors and ground floor windows before going to bed at night.

A 20-year-old man of no fixed address has been charged with 14 counts of break and enter and three counts of breach of a recognizance.

He was scheduled to appear for a bail hearing last week in Milton court.

# Halton sergeant wins award

Halton Crime Stoppers co-ordinator Sgt. Gary Gold has been named Ontario's Co-ordinator of the Year.

Sgt. Gold was recently presented with the award at the closing banquet of the annual Ontario Crime Stoppers conference.

The award committee acknowledged the effort he made to organize a fundraising bicycle ride from Burlington to Windsor to raise funds for Crime Stoppers.

Sgt. Gold was appointed co-ordinator of the Halton Crime Stoppers program in 2007, and since then has developed new projects and enhanced Crime Stoppers in the region's secondary schools.

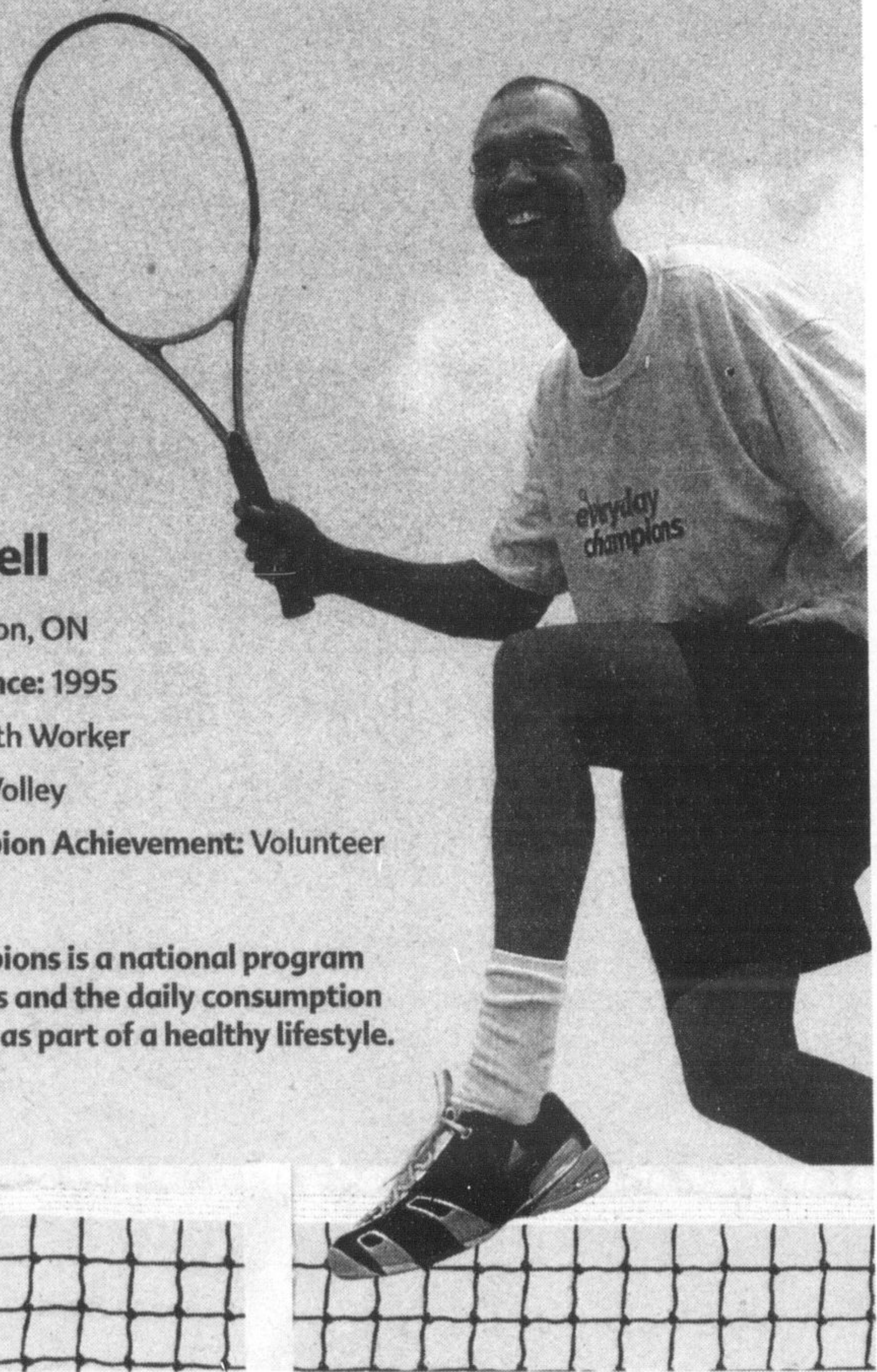
An interactive, computerized promotional initiative he helped to design and develop encourages young people to call Crime Stoppers if they become aware of any kind of criminal activity, including drugs and weapons in their schools. It replaced a PowerPoint presentation that had been used for a number of years to acquaint high school students with the Crime Stoppers concept.

Sgt. Gold has also assisted in making improvements to the managing and tracking of tips received by Halton Crime Stoppers, and helped establish the Crime of the Week program on Cogeco cable.



Halton Crime Stoppers co-ordinator Sgt. Gary Gold receives the Co-ordinator of the Year award from Pat Gillie, president of the Ontario Association of Crime Stoppers. Gold has developed numerous new projects and also embarked on an ambitious fundraising bicycle ride.

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