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CORRECTION NOTICE Smitherman to announce funding plan in fall

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work for HHS. On Hill & Knowlton's website, he's listed as a contact for health, energy and procurement files.

As infrastructure minister,

Smitherman is expected to make "That's a vital step for Milton the final call on which hospital cap- (hospital)," said Oliver. "We have ital projects will get the go-ahead to be on that list. As far as we know, when he announces the Province's the Milton hospital is not yet on a updated 10-year infrastructure hospital capital list."

Region's rain barrel sales hot; thousands purchased

Hills.

Almost 6,200 rain barrels were sold by Halton Region at its five sales events this spring, more than double what staff had expected.

Full use of the water-capturing devices has the potential to reduce water consumption by more than 1.2 million litres each time they're used, according to a staff memo presented to regional council's public works committee recently.

"That's a fraction of what we use in a day," said Kiyoshi Oka, the Region's director of water services. "What we do gain the value from is an increased awareness (of water conservation)."

cent of the rain barrels were sold in provincial funding. Milton while 35 per cent were sold in Burlington, 31 per cent in (http://lobbyist.oico.on.ca) reveals Oakville and 16 per cent in Halton

The Region sold the barrels at the wholesale cost of \$45, about half of what would be charged for them at a retail store.

This winter, Regional staff plan to survey residents to evaluate frequency of use of the barrels. It will report back to council with recommendations on a future rain barrel

funding plan this fall.

The Health Ministry has said it's prioritizing requests for capital funding from 58 hospitals, though it hasn't released the list of which hospitals want money.

HHS is far from the only hospital corporation to have used lobby-According to the memo, 18 per ists to assist in campaigns for

> The provincial lobbyist registry numerous hospitals have secured public relations agencies to assist their efforts. That list includes Burlington's Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital, which is seeking provincial approval for its \$180 million capital expansion.

> With all the competition for hospital funding, Oliver said HHS's main message to the government is the fast growth the community has experienced over the past decade, along with the fact Milton's hospital

is an outdated facility.

If the government focuses funding on hospitals based on emergency room wait times, Milton's hospital may be at a disadvantage.

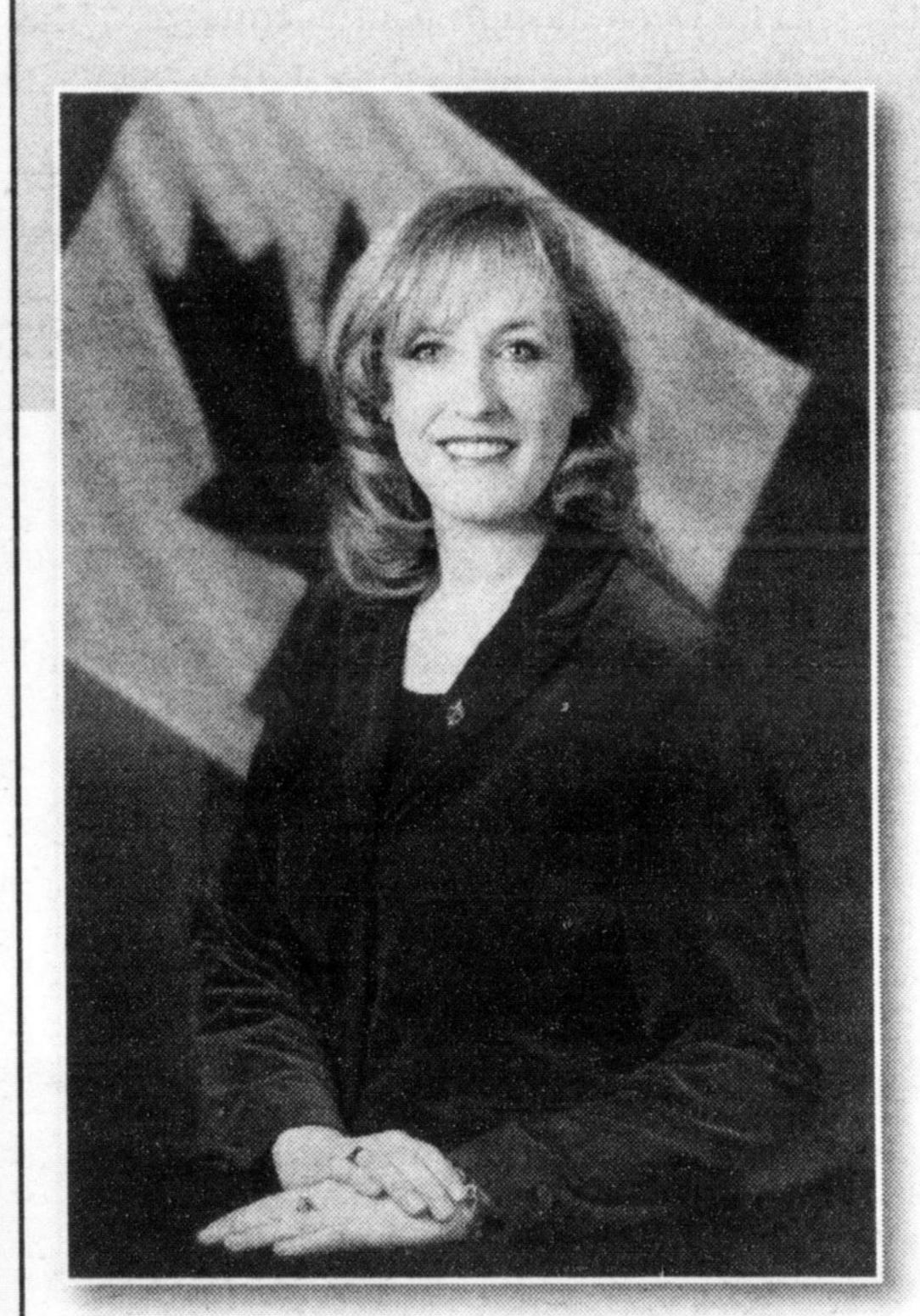
The smaller community hospital continues to have shorter wait times for complex patient cases than the provincial average and far better wait times than the major hospitals in Mississauga, Oakville and Burlington, according to the statistics recent www.ontariowaittimes.com.

While Grier advises HHS in the background, the volunteer group Friends of Milton Hospital are public in their efforts for a hospital expansion.

Tomorrow morning, the group plans to release the number of postcards signed by local residents to be sent to the Minister of Health asking for capital expansion funding. The event will take place at the Milton Farmers' Market in the downtown core at 10 a.m.

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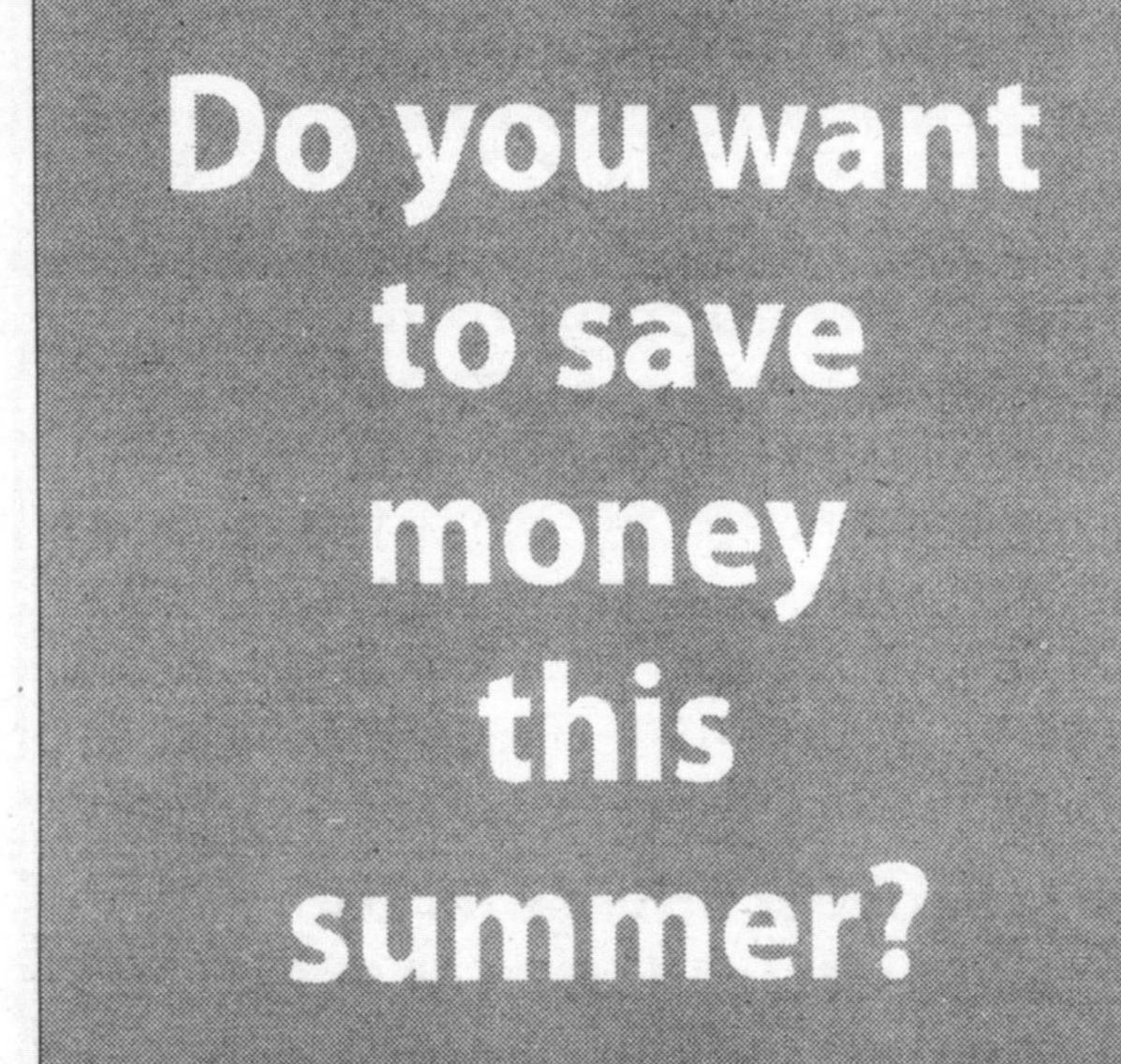


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