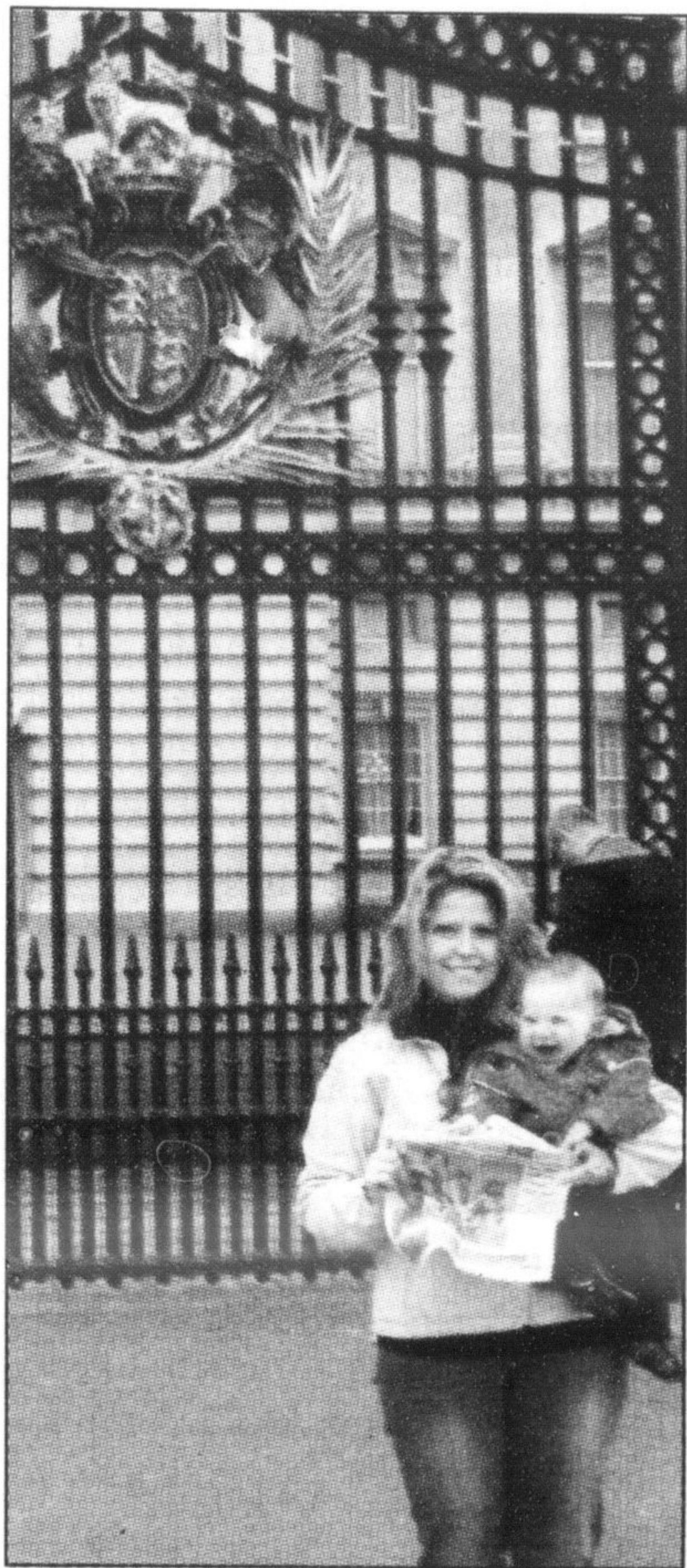


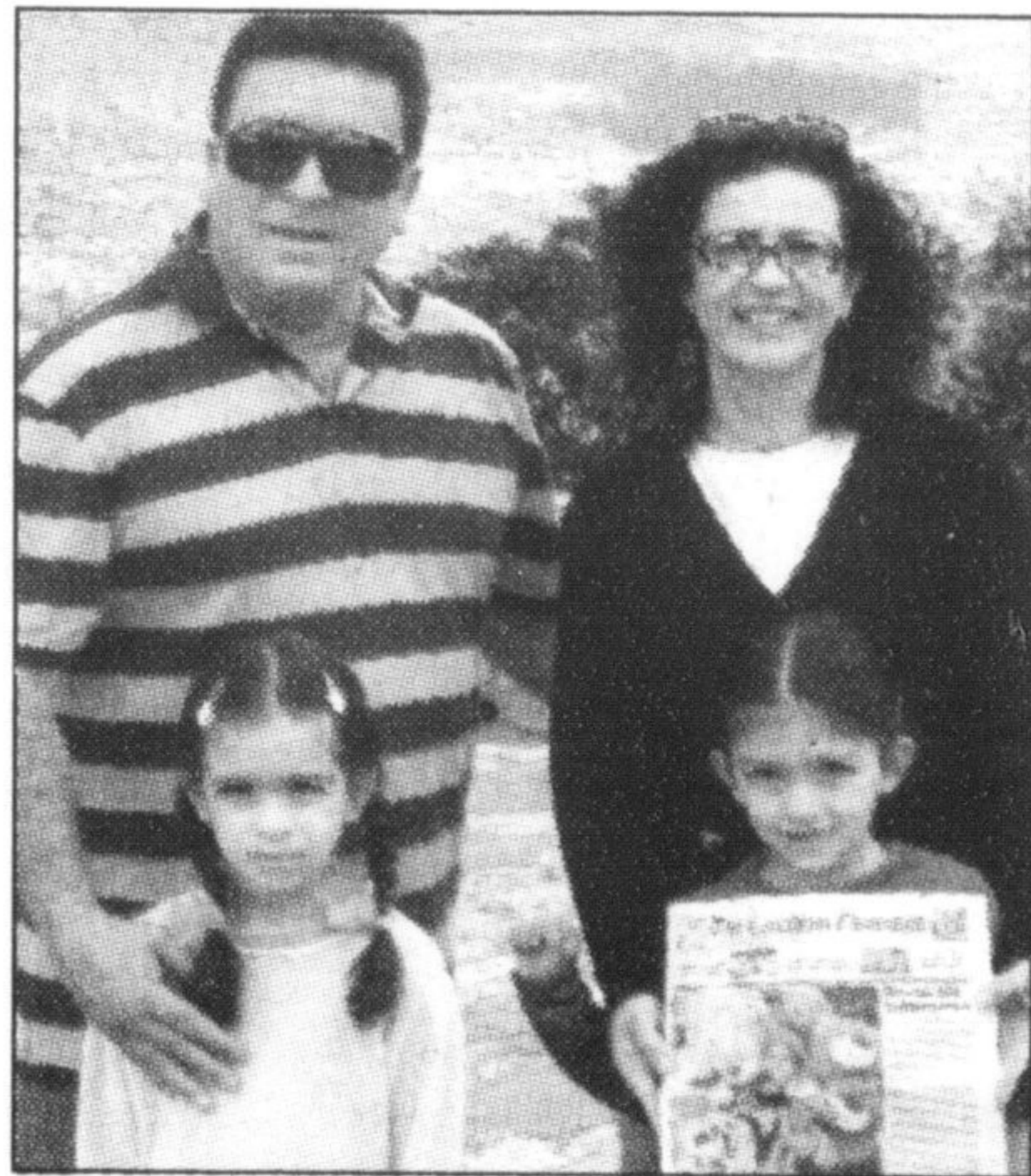
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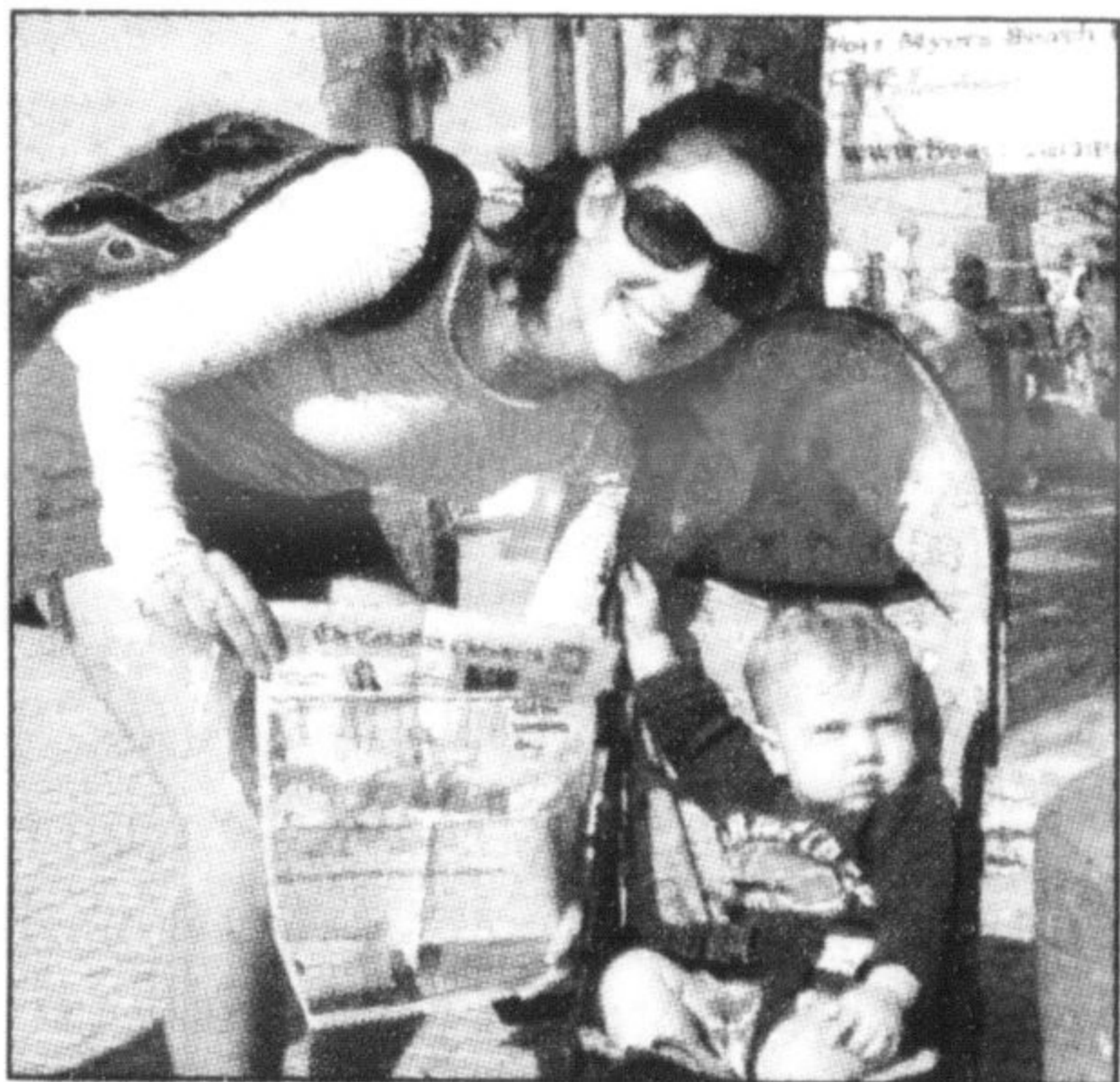
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London Lekavicius and mom Angela stand outside the gates of Buckingham Palace in London.



German Ramos and Claudia Gaona and their daughters Sofia and Andrea visit Bogota, Columbia.



Jessica Hewitt and son Parker enjoy their visit to Florida's Fort Myers Beach.



Milton's Arezes, Smith and Anzini families have fun in Riviera Maya, Mexico. The children are (from left) Andrew Arezes, Riley Smith, Massimo Anzini, Rhys Smith, Victoria Anzini and Sara Arezes. The adults are (from left) Susan and Brent Smith, Jenny Arezes, Natalie Ricci, Mario Anzini and Carlos Arezes.



ST. PAUL'S IS AT A CROSSROADS/TURNING POINT

We Must Move Forward or Move Out

This advertisement was created prior to the fire at our sanctuary on June 30th. We would like to take this opportunity to thank members of our community and the area churches for their support and good wishes. In spite of this event we still want to share why we are applying for a demolition permit.

In 2007 the Town ordered St. Paul's to close its sanctuary because the roof was unsafe. Temporary support columns were installed to allow the congregation time to decide its future. Within the last 9 months, we have received two structural engineers' reports confirming that the sanctuary roof is in distress. For continued safe occupancy the roof needs major repairs within the next year.

The congregation decided that our facility was at the end of its useful life and we could no longer continue to fund expensive and ongoing building repairs. This decision was not made lightly. We have spent over four years in discussion, consideration, listening and prayer.

Due to our limited financial resources and the desire to remain a downtown church, the congregation approved partnering with a developer. We were fortunate to find a partner who will build a new church and life lease residence while retaining many heritage elements of the sanctuary. The project provides a financial arrangement that St. Paul's can afford. At the conclusion of the project, St. Paul's will retain ownership of the entire facility.

We are saddened to say goodbye to our beautiful old sanctuary but are excited to have a new church facility which allows us to fulfill our Christian mission as a welcoming, transforming and serving congregation.

We ask you for your understanding and support as St. Paul's pursues its plan to remain a vibrant downtown congregation.

- St. Paul's United Church Council