

Bob Newman, president of Ducks Unlimited and downtown shoe store owner for 30 years, has been nominated for 1995 Business Person of the Year. Here, he accepts a donation for the Ducks Unlimited annual dinner-auction.

## Community service is a comfortable fit for Bob

## By KAREN SMITH

The Champion

Bob Newman was speechless when he found out he was up for one of the town's top honours.

However, it didn't matter. Thirty years in business speaks for itself.

"The guy (who informed him) must have "thought I was an idiot. I couldn't speak," he said describing his reaction to learning he was nominated as 1995 Business Person of the Year. "I was stunned."

Main Street in downtown Milton has been the home of Robert Newman Shoes for 30 years.

Before opening the store, he operated the shoe department at the old Milton Department Store on Main Street in 1965. A year later, he moved the business to his

current location and has stayed put ever

Known as an honest businessman, the husband and father of two daughters also shows commendable attributes outside of

He volunteers as president of Ducks Unlimited and helps organize Main Street barber Mike Boughton's annual goal tournament for cancer research. He has also coached girls softball and has worked on the Milton Santa Claus Parade committee.

The person who nominated Mr. Newman for the Milton Chamber of Commerce award called him "one class gentleman.

"Bob is always there for the people of the town whether they be young or elderly," his nominator said. "Each is treated to " Year. his friendly smile, healthy attitude and expert advice in footwear.

His shoe store follows a practice that

represents one of the few remaining advantages small businesses have over large companies - personalized service, Mr. Newman said.

"We don't just sell shoes. We fit shoes." If you're only out there to make a buck, forget it."

Mr. Newman, 56, of Milton said he believes community involvement is part of being a good citizen, especially in a small

"You only get out of it (the community) what you put into it," he said.

Local real estate agent Betty Ingle and Carol McDonald. operator of McMarketing Enterprises, have also been nominated for 1995 Business Person of the

The award recipient will be announced at a gala evening at Halton Hills Place Saturday, Apr. 13.

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## Leworthy crossed Canada for a cause he believed in



Ryan Leworthy

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A group that promotes the abilities of physically disabled people is one of three nominees for 1995 Civic Organization of the Year.

The Link Foundation, founded by Milton's Mike Leworthy three years ago, is in the running for the Milton Chamber of Commerce award.

Mr. Leworthy, the father of local wheelchair athlete Ryan Leworthy, started the organization to interest more disabled people in sport and fitness.

At the same time, he saw a need to create more opportunities for the physically handicapped to be included in sports and recreation programs.

The organization's nominator said the young group's major accomplishment to date was 19-year-old Ryan's cross-Canada mall tour, Training for Inclusion, last year.

The tour created awareness of the Link Foundation, as well as its objectives, across the country.

"He wheeled 6,000 km on his stationary trainer in 100 shopping malls, showing people that the disabled can and do lead active, healthy lives that incorporate sport and fitness," the nominator said.

The Training for Inclusion Tour started and finished at Milton Mall with a big wind-up at Ivor-Wynne Stadium during a (Hamilton) Ticat half-time show."

Mr. Leworthy said the Link Foundation has come a long way since its modest beginning and is "taking off big time" in Ontario as well as other parts of Canada.

When asked how many people the Link Foundation's work has had an impact on, he said, "I wouldn't hesitate to say hundreds of thousands of people."

The organization's recent award nomination is an indication of that, he added.

"It's always very nice to be able to use that as a measuring stick toward your success," he said.

The Milton Historical Society as well as the business population and citizens of the town of Milton have also been nominated for Civic Organization of the Year,...

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Spring dance

The Children's Assessment and Treatment Centre is hosting a Spring Fling fundraising dance on Saturday, April 27 at the Italian Canadian Club on Town Line. The prize of a weekend for two at the Old Stone Inn in Njagara Falls is up for grabs. For further information or to contact the service call Rena Smith at 878-1288.

