

Milton resident Nodlag Hearns recently won \$50,000 playing Instant Super Bingo. Photo courtesy of OLG

Bingo! Miltonian wins \$50,000, again

Playing instant lottery games faithfully has paid off for Milton resident Nodlag Hearns.

The 58-year-old recently won \$50,000 in Instant Super Bingo — for the second time.

Hearns also won the top prize of \$50,000 in Instant Super Bingo two years ago. She regularly plays instant lottery games, but her favourite is the Instant Crossword.

Winning for the second time around was still a

shock for Hearns. "I had my husband double check my ticket to make sure I'd really won," the retiree said at the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corp. prize centre in Toronto. "I'm very pleased."

Hearns, a married mother of two and grandmother, plans to invest some of her winnings and buy a new car.

The winning ticket was purchased at Derry Convenience on Derry Road in Mississauga.

Regional long-term care homes enhance palliative care delivery

Long-term care facilities across Canada will see improvements to their palliative care delivery thanks to a project in which two regional homes participated.

The innovations and tools developed from the five-year project that Allendale in Milton and Creek Way Village in Burlington were part of are being implemented from coast to coast.

Halton Regional Chair Gary Carr said the project, which focused on enhancing palliative care delivery, builds on the Region's commitment to helping enrich the lives of seniors in the Halton community by providing them with "safe and high quality services."

"This project was an excellent opportunity for our staff to improve palliative care, ensure that our residents continue to receive the highest possible quality of support, and to advance the field of palliative care across the country," he said.

One of the primary goals of the project was to create a community-university

research alliance that would develop sustainable, person-focused palliative care programs. As a result, the Quality Palliative Care in Long Term Care Alliance was created and is comprised of 31 researchers and 50 organizational partners who actively contribute their expertise to the research project.

Lead investigator Mary Lou Kelley, who's also a professor at the School of Social Work, Centre for Education and Research on Aging and Health at Lakehead University, said residents across Canada can now be "better supported to die with comfort and dignity."

"Every Canadian deserves access to quality palliative and end-of-life care, regardless of age or place of residence," she said. "With the help of Halton Region, our project created a framework for palliative care in long term care and a toolkit that provides 40 resources and innovations to implement palliative care programs."

For more information, visit www.palliativealliance.ca.

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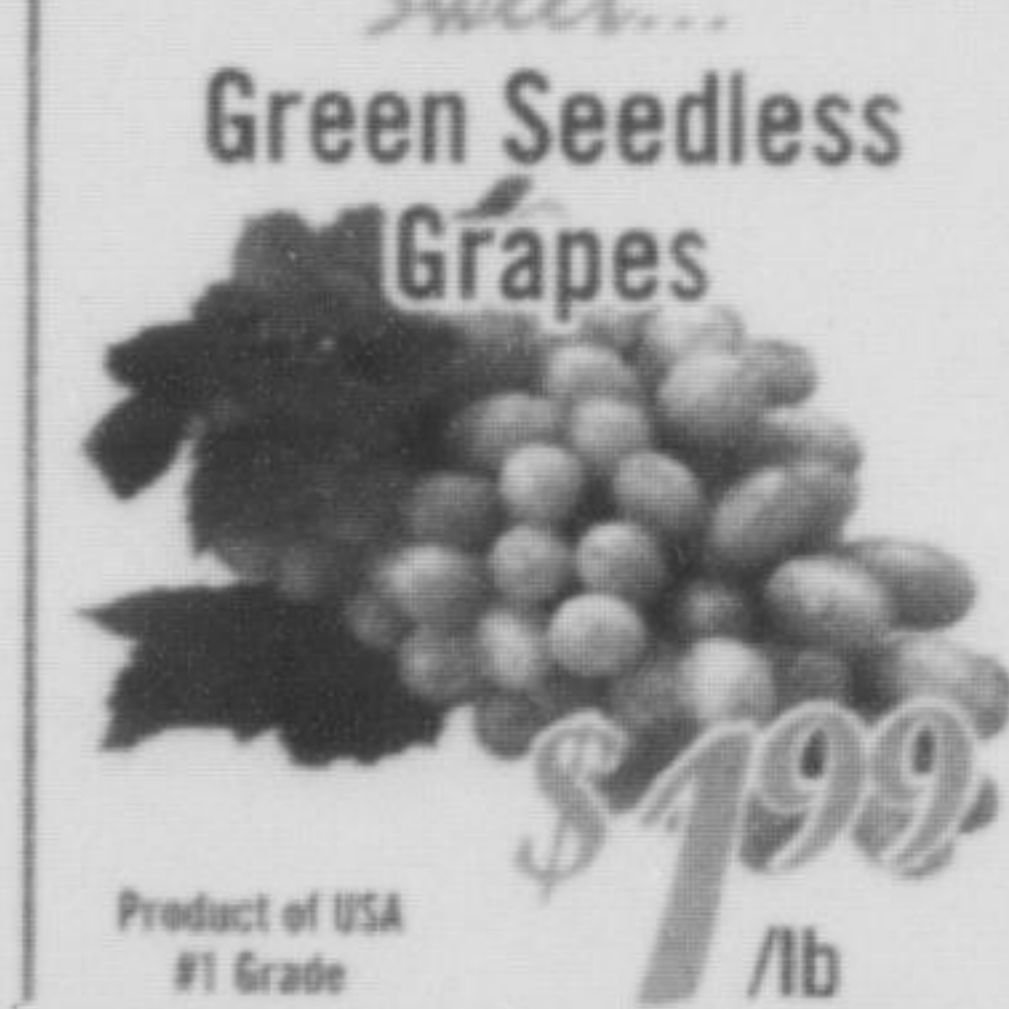
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