Ontario Trillium Foundation grant to boost affordable housing in Milton

More affordable housing options are coming to Milton, with the help of an Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) grant.

Milton Transitional Housing (MTH) is the recipient of a \$218,000 grant to be spread out over three years. The grant, which covers roughly 30 per cent of MTH's annual operating budget, will go towards more housing units, expanding service, increased staff members and raising awareness.

According to the non-profit agency, the grant will allow MTH to grow from three to 10 supported housing units by the end of 2018, with two new units being added in 2015, 2016 and 2017 and a final one in 2018. It will also pay for a case manager salary to

support new members of the MTH program, as well as a part-time program manager and bookkeeper/administrative assistant.

A publicity strategy is also underway to help MTH raise awareness of the growing problem of homelessness in Milton and Halton.

Established in 2011, MTH has helped those in a housing crisis find accommodations through counseling sessions, providing shelter, developing life skills and nurturing self-confidence.

Last year, MTH had three "graduating clients" last year — moving from temporary accommodations to long-term housing.

For more information on MTH, please visit http://www.miltontransitionalhousing.ca.



Pick of the crop

Jackson Noble, 6, and mom Kim pick raspberries with their dog Duke during one of their regular summer visits to Kelso Conservation Area, where their family loves to canoe and swim.

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CSL offers free portion of summer camp

Local soccer players, take note.

The Canadian Soccer League (CSL) and Academy of Soccer are teaming up to provide a summer-long camp at Lions Sports Park—part of which will be free.

Players can be part of large group sessions from 9 to 11 a.m. Monday to Friday.

The camp's premier division — from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and costing \$100 a week — will feature

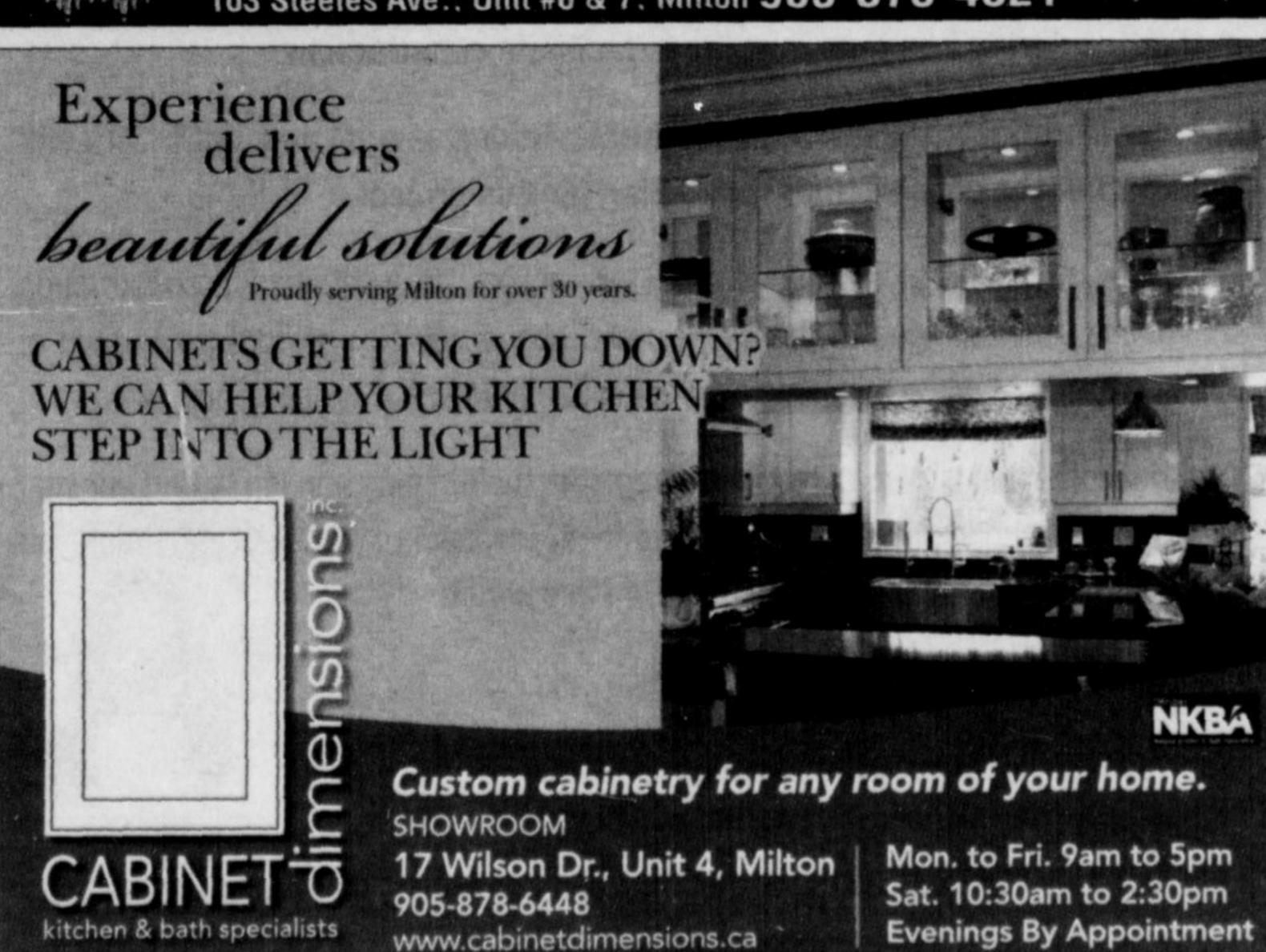
small group clinics of three to five players.

For \$150 a week, elite level participants will enjoy one-one-one instruction from members of the CSL's Milton FC team.

The basic boys and girls camp — from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday — costs \$199.

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