

The Mississauga News Publisher Ron Lenyk accepts congratulations from Mississauga East MPP Carl DeFaria as the newspaper celebrates its 30th birthday. On a special plaque, Ontario Premier Mike Harris wrote of *The News*, "I applaud and encourage your active commitment to the community."

Good News at Queen's Park

Not everyone gets officially congratulated by the Ontario government on their 30th birthday.

The Mississauga News had that good fortune yesterday as the members of the Ontario Legislature conferred congratulations on the newspaper for its three decades of service to the community.

Mississauga East MPP Carl DeFaria performed the honors, just before Question Period.

"The Mississauga News has served its readers in a most exemplary manner, increasing its range and depth of influence in tandem with the City's phenomenal growth," DeFaria told the House. "Despite the rapid growth surrounding it, (The News) has remained true to its original mission" as a community newspaper.

Publisher Ron Lenyk, who was in the Visitor's Gallery when the presentation was made, was delighted with the honor.

"I'm elated for the recognition the people who've worked so hard at *The Mississauga News* have been given," the publisher said. "It's wonderful when you receive recognition from what I consider the highest authority in the province."