

# Krantz gets right to work

By Jim Robinson

The 15-year political career of Don Gordon came to an end at 11:19 p.m. Monday. With the running tally showing Mr. Gordon with 2,940 votes to Gord Krantz's 3,372 votes, it was time for the two-term Milton mayor to concede defeat to another 15-year political veteran.

"I'm asking you all to support this man," Mr. Gordon said and he urged the audience of an estimated 300 people to remain united, even if it would be under a new administration.

The final unofficial tally showed Mr. Krantz with 4,024 votes to Mr. Gordon's 3,554. Mr. Krantz took 21.67 per cent of the vote to Mr. Gordon's 19.13 per cent. Milton had 18,569 eligible to vote.

In the advance poll, Mr. Gordon was ahead 26 to 11 but it was to be one of the only two times during the night Mr. Gordon would be ahead. When the Hornby area poll came in, Don Gordon led briefly by 154 votes to 101, but for the rest of the night, Mr. Krantz pulled out a 450-vote margin which proved the buffer

until the end of the evening.

With an unwavering smile, Mr. Gordon asked his wife Pauline to come to the stand at the west side of Lions Club Hall and he applauded her for her continuous support as Milton's first lady for the past four years.

Now that he is no longer in politics, Mr. Gordon says his leave of absence at Ford of Canada Ltd. will be over and he will be returning to the firm, probably in the cost analysis department.

Milton's new mayor Gord Krantz, 43, called Mr. Gordon "a gentleman" and said he admired the defeated mayor because "he played the game the way it is supposed to be played."

"I've served with Don for seven years on Milton Council and I've always found him to be the gentleman," he said.

But the words of praise were soon ended and Mr. Krantz said he must call the new council together as soon as possible in order to brief everyone on what will be expected in the next two years.

"I'll be getting hold of Roy Main, the clerk,

tomorrow, and will be setting up a meeting before the inaugural, which I believe is Dec. 10," he said.

Mr. Krantz said the first order of business on the new administration "will be to get together and resolve the OP 7 question."

He was referring to the planning amendment which will, if ever resolved, create an 1,100-acre industrial park along the north side of Highway 401.

Another top priority will be the 1981 Town of Milton budget.

"The increases are going to have to be kept in line, particularly with respect to what is happening down at the Region."

"I'm not as informed on the deficit situation there at this point, but I will be making it a point to become knowledgeable about the sewer surcharge and the fiscal deficit as soon as possible."

"It won't take me long to find out what is going on there," he said.

Asked if the vote in his favor by Milton's electorate was a repudiation of the current municipal administration, the situation at

Halton Region, or a wind-of-change philosophy which seemed to be evident in Ontario Monday evening, Mr. Krantz said it was "probably a combination of all those factors."

He said he felt the issue of leadership, which had been the focal point of his election platform, had been significant in the victory.

"Leadership is still the key. I don't think the people liked the way things were going at town hall, and they voted accordingly," he said.

He said he did not want to acquire the reputation of a "tough mayor" but he said he intends to stick by his statements of being the "axeman" when it comes time to spending municipal funds.

"The other thing I have to do first is gain the respect of the council, if I'm going to get anything done."

"I will be giving more details on that within the next few days, but I must become more knowledgeable on where we stand on a number of issues," he said.



The new mayor: The strain of the 1980 election campaign is reflected on the face of Gord Krantz.



She's coming to town. Miss Canada, 1981, Dominique Dufour will ride through the streets of Milton in Saturday's Santa Claus parade courtesy of The Champion.

## Miss Canada to join Santa

By Jane Muller

Miss Canada 1981, the lovely Dominique Dufour of Chomedey, P.Q., will be making one of her first public appearances this weekend in Milton. She will be appearing in Milton's Santa Claus parade, scheduled for Saturday at 2:30 p.m., riding in a convertible sponsored by The Champion.

The French-Canadian beauty, who won the coveted title last Monday evening in competition with 33 other regional beauty queens from across Canada, will headline a parade featuring nine bands, 20 floats and several miscellaneous entries.

Spectators can watch the annual holiday season kick off along its route which begins at the fair grounds, moving along Hugh St. to Mary, then from Brown to Main. The procession will break up at E.C. Drury School.

The Niagara Frontiersmen, a marching band, is coming to Milton Saturday from Depew, New York along with many area bands including Burlington Teen Tour Band, York Lions Steel Band, Brampton Clown Band, Milton District Pipe Band and Acton Citizens Band.

Silver batons will twirl with such groups as Brampton Optimist, Georgetown Shooting Stars and Burlington and Central Lions Majorettes taking part in the procession. The Parade's main attraction, Santa Claus, will be riding in a new float this year which has been constructed by Maplehurst inmates for the parade committee.

A host of entries will lead up to the well known sleigh with its team of eight tiny reindeer. Included in the entries are Milton Players, Rock-

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Both men saddened: Mayoral candidates Don Gordon, left, and Gord Krantz, both show the emotion of the moment as Mr. Gordon conceded defeat.

## GORDON TOPPLED KRANTZ MAYOR

Milton voters turned to the town's long-established families and incumbents Monday to direct the future of the 26,000 residents living here over the next two years.

Gord Krantz, a lifelong Milton resident ousted two-term mayor Don Gordon. Colin Best, whose father Brian earlier served as the Mayor of Milton, got the highest number of votes in Ward Two, (3,797) and will join incumbents Rose Harrison and Blanche Hinton, plus first-time challenger Don Knight on council.

In the Ward Two regional election Brad Clements, whose family goes back to the early days of the town, beat incumbent Gus Goutouski. In the Milton Hydro-Electric Commission race all the incumbents, all of whom had long service, were brought back for another term.

In the Ward Three municipal race, Don McMillan and Jim Watson, both with families going back

decades in Nassagaweya were elected to municipal office. In addition, Bill Johnson (Ward One and Three Regional) and Ward One municipal incumbents Brian Penman and Rick Day were all acclaimed.

In the mayoral campaign, Gord Krantz took 4,024 votes or 21.67 per cent of the eligible votes while Gordon took 3,554 votes or 19.14 per cent.

Also on a Milton-wide basis, 32.73 per cent of the eligible voters endorsed a regional referendum question on returning more Halton Regional services to the control of the Town of Milton. Only 4.72 per cent repudiated making changes in regionalism. The vote was 6,077 to 876 in favor of the change.

Celebrations got underway late in Monday evening, despite the obvious and early wins of some candidates.

While crowds at Lions Hall watched with ad-

### How Miltonians voted in Monday's race

There were 18,569 eligible voters on the mayoralty ballot in Monday's Milton municipal election. Just 40.81 per cent voted. There were 13,079 eligible in Ward 2 Council and Hydro races, 2,991 in Ward 3 Council and Hydro race, 5,065 in the school board contest.

#### MAYOR

Donald Gordon ..... 3,554  
GORDON KRANTZ ..... 4,024

#### REGIONAL COUNCIL

BRAD CLEMENTS ..... 3,273  
Gus Goutouski ..... 1,919

(Note—Returns are unofficial until late on Wednesday. Figures shown are preliminary totals recorded Monday night.)

#### COUNCIL, WARD 2

(Four elected)

COLIN BEST ..... 3,797  
Tom Blanchard ..... 1,929  
Fred de Ree ..... 409  
Cath Gibbons ..... 1,258  
ROSE HARRISON ..... 3,239  
BLANCHE HINTON ..... 1,978  
DON KNIGHT ..... 3,355  
Maria Reis ..... 1,636  
Lynn Smith ..... 1,040

#### COUNCIL, WARD 3

(Two elected)

Roy Galloway ..... 428  
Mikki Goutouski ..... 193  
Robbie Laird ..... 160  
DON McMILLAN ..... 471  
Bonnie E. Newton ..... 378  
JIM WATSON ..... 503

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION, Wds. 1, 3

IVAN ARMSTRONG ..... 1,325  
Dorothy Scruton ..... 519

#### HYDRO, WARD 2

(Two elected)

Robert Banning ..... 1,427  
Donald E. Colby ..... 1,184  
Peter A. Rowles ..... 1,188  
BILL ROWNEY ..... 2,574  
CHARLES THOMSON ..... 2,211

#### HYDRO, WARD 3

(One elected)

Anthony Green ..... 434  
MURRAY INGLIS ..... 671

#### PLEBISCITE, REGION

Yes ..... 6,077  
No ..... 876

miration as the number of votes for Colin Best swelled, he was still busy at his campaign office with scrutineers keeping track of the votes of fellow candidates.

Shortly after 11 p.m., within seconds of the arrival of Gord Krantz at the hall, Councilor-elect Best arrived.

Few could miss the arrival. Triumphant Best supporters heralded him in, amidst a trumpet fanfare, upstaging the entrance of the new mayor.

But nobody minded. He was enthusiastically greeted by well-wishers and spent the next hour enjoying the glory of a first place win.

The title for disappointment and frustration of the night had to go to Tom Blanchard. His lead over incumbent Blanche Hinton for the fourth council seat was narrow, but appeared definite.

However his hopes were dashed in the final minutes of the election. The tally gave Mrs. Hinton a 49-vote lead.

The high hopes of first-time candidate Roy Galloway seeking a position representing Ward Three were squelched as he, his wife and three of their six children watched the final election returns fill the board.

Unlike Mr. Galloway who was at the Lions Hall at 8 p.m., another quieter entrance at 10 p.m. Even at this time, it was obvious the chairman of the Nassagaweya Residents Association was out of the running. She conceded defeat when incumbent Don McMillan and experienced local politician Jim Watson shared a win, referring to their support as the "good old boy" syndrome.

No-one seemed surprised at the out-

come. Voters put their faith in the experienced councillors who accepted their victories in stride.

In the same voting trend, Board of Education incumbent Ivan Armstrong representing Ward One and Three recorded a decisive win over his inexperienced opponent Dorothy Scruton.

This was the only race for board seats as four other trustees retained their seats through acclamation.

Bill Lawson will once again represent Ward Two on Halton Board of Education as will John Bradley as the Separate Board representative on Halton Board. Angelo Tonelli and Neville Johnston are the acclaimed Separate School Board members for 1981-82.

### Recount is called

Ward Two candidate Tom Blanchard has requested a recount on Monday's council ballots.

The 35-year-old first-time runner was one of nine people vying for four seats in the race and he finished fifth, just 49 votes behind incumbent Blanche Hinton. She polled 1,978, he had 1,929.

The situation is not simple, according to his wife Linda. She said he likes Mrs. Hinton and backed her in the last election, but the closeness of their race has made it necessary for him to call for a recount.

Results of that count are expected later this week.

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Three generations

In a unique Remembrance Day ceremony, three generations of the same family sounded The Last Post to honor Milton's war dead. Story and pictures on Pg. 9.

### 'The Great Cookbook'

"The Great Cookbook" — The Champion's contribution to improving Milton's culinary culture — will be rolling off the presses in early December. And you're invited to participate!

Recipes are invited from readers in one or all of the following nine categories:

Microwave, gourmet dinner for two, hors d'oeuvres, men only, salads, desserts, main dishes, punch and canning-preservation. Readers can enter one or a dozen and one recipes, all are welcome. The best will be published along with the favorite recipes and kitchen secrets of various local celebrities.

Deadline for submitting recipes is Friday, Nov. 21, so write out your favorites, right now. Send all recipes to The Champion, 191 Main St. E., Milton, before the deadline.

In addition, the recipes in each of the nine sections will make the contributors eligible for a prize. There will be a lucky draw and each recipe you submit entitles you to a chance at a prize.

## Brad Clements promises Halton Region action

By Jim Robinson



A final handshake: Defeated Ward Two regional incumbent Gus Goutouski, left, shakes hands with the new regional representative for the Milton core area, Brad Clements.

incumbent Gus Goutouski was not so much a vote against the man, but a vote against Halton Region.

3,273 votes to 1,919. Significantly, the Milton referendum question was 6,077 for regional change to 876 votes for no change at Halton.

Early in the evening it became clear Mr. Clements would be the new regional representative for the core area of Milton, as he jumped to an early lead in the poll returns and pulled out further and further as each new poll was posted.

He admitted his first role would be to learn as much and become as conversant as possible

about the fiscal shape of Halton Region.

For defeated Councilor Gus Goutouski, the evening's results seemed to come as no surprise, but he managed to be philosophical about the outcome.

"I'm glad I had the chance to serve the people of Milton for the past two years."

"I enjoyed helping people and I got a lot of satisfaction from doing the job," Mr. Goutouski said.

Mr. Clements will go to a regional government

which has publicly stated it has a \$700,000 deficit in financing and at least a \$500,000 deficit in the sewer surcharge system.

What regional council must do to trim the seven-digit deficit is probably pass on a large mill rate increase in the spring of 1981.

Mr. Clements, who emphasized he must learn more of the situation, said he may have to support a large mill rate increase, if only to save Halton Region from deficit financing which, it now appears, is illegal.

"We may have to pass on an increase for one year, but it will be for one year only," he said.

Mr. Clements said the seven years he has served as a Ward Three Milton municipal politician have been years in which much was accomplished.

Mr. Clements said he supports the concept of Milton gaining at least one more regional representative at Halton Region. The town now has three of Halton's 24 votes.