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Sara Harley was chosen as the recipient of the "Spirit of Dance" award at Cheri Lindsay's Dance Studio year end recital in June. She assembled with Cheri (right) and Harmony Bull (centre) for the presentation Monday night. The trophy was donated by the Georgetown Kinette Club, in

memory of Sheila and Mandy Bull, and in recognition of Harmony Bull and her father Arthur. The trophy is presented annually to the student who shows dedication and typifies the "Spirit of Dance."

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Pomeroy rejects job switch rumors

By STUART JOHNSTON

Halton Regional Chairman Pete Pomeroy working for the Provincial government? That won't happen, he assured *The Weekend* in a recent interview.

Lately, rumors had been flying around town that Pomeroy had been offered a deputy minister's post after the fall election.

"Isn't that an incredible opportunity?" Pomeroy responded with a laugh when asked about it. "No, I'm not interested in a Provincial job, that's for sure."

Pomeroy did admit, however, that he was "approached (earlier) this year" about accepting a position with the Ontario government, but nothing had developed further than that.

"To be honest, I have had calls this year, but nothing's been offered to me yet at this point in time," he added. "I haven't responded to any of the (calls)...When I remove myself from politics and this regional government, I will totally distance myself from politics altogether."

Pomeroy, who has been the regional chairman since 1983, admitted he still hasn't decided if he would like to continue in the position for a fourth, consecutive term. He figured by the middle of next month he will make a decision, "one way or the other."

"I've really enjoyed what I'm doing here, but I've got to make a decision whether I'm going to continue," he said. "That should be made sometime in the middle of September, I think."

The public-at-large does not vote for the regional chairman, as it does for councillors.

Immediately after the municipal election, Regional councillors appoint a chair — either from within their own ranks, or from applications received from the general public.

However, that system has been criticized this year by some councillors as being "undemocratic," and tried unsuccessfully to have the Chair duly elected.

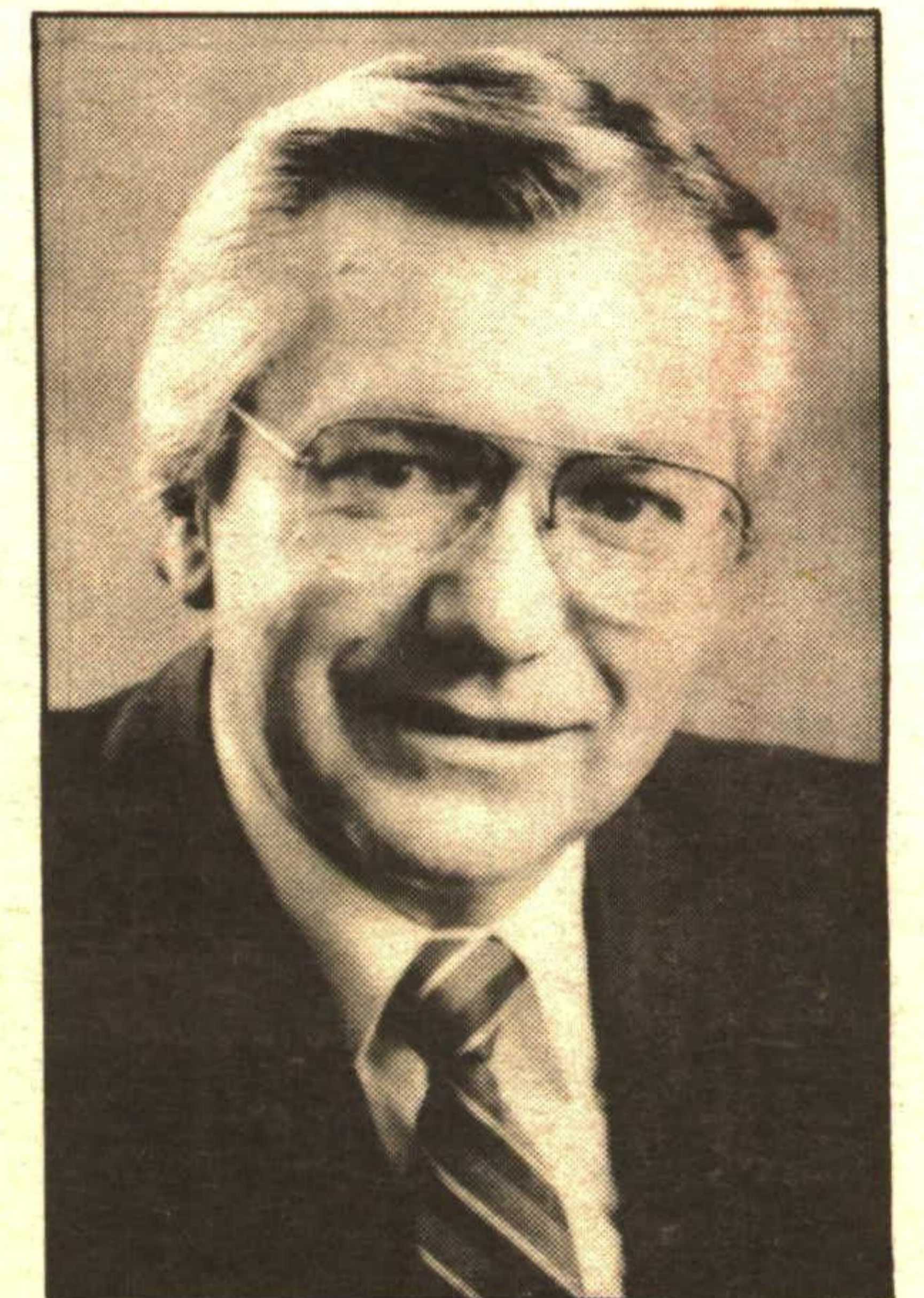
Halton is currently undergoing a Regional Review, and as part of the exercise, Halton Hills is expected to

lose one regional representative when the changes take effect in 1994. The Town presently has five reps on Regional Council — Mayor Russ Miller and councillors Joe Hewitt, Marilyn Serjeantson, Pam Johnstone and Rick Bonnette.

The changes, according to Regional Council, will better reflect the populations of the four municipalities of Halton — Oakville, Burlington, Milton and Halton Hills.

One of the suggested changes, which has not yet been approved, is to elect the Chairman.

The changes in the Regional Review is not expected to be finalized until sometime next year.



PETER POMEROY

Five still undecided in fall bid

Only a handful of incumbent councillors are still sitting on the fence over whether they will seek re-election this year.

Ward 1 (Acton) rep Norm Elliot, Ward 3's Anne Currie and Pat McCarthy, and Rob Heaton and Alf Spence of Ward 2 are all taking a few more days before they make a decision.

"I'm very close to making a decision, but I think I've largely made up my mind," McCarthy said in an interview, refusing to commit

himself either way. "I'm awaiting the approval of my better half, because the decision doesn't just affect me...But, I expect everything to be resolved by the end of this weekend."

Alf Spence noted he still has to decide which way to go, but did hint that he will seek re-election.

"I haven't made a 100 per cent decision yet, but I guess the law of probability says I'll be going again," he said. "I enjoy being a councillor, but I probably won't

decide for sure for a few more weeks, yet."

One thing Spence did confirm is he won't be challenging Councillor Joe Hewitt's bid to be re-elected to Regional Council.

"I don't want to go to the Region — I don't have the time for that work, but I do have more than enough time to contribute to the Town," he said.

Councillors Currie, Elliott and Heaton were unavailable for comment.

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